

The Argoed

Penallt, Monmouthshire



The Argoed is unquestionably one of the most prominent private residences in the Wye Valley with an extraordinarily rich history to match.



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Main House

Ground floor: Drawing room | Dining room | Sitting room | Family room | Kitchen/breakfast room | Study/office
Dry utility room | Boot room | Guest cloakroom | Boiler room | Garden store/w/c

First floor: Seven bedrooms, three with en suite bathrooms and a family bathroom

Second floor: Five further rooms

Outside

Stables | Loggia | Greenhouse | Arboretum



Situation

Penallt is regarded as a true gem of the Wye Valley and just a short distance from the wonderful town of Monmouth. It is surrounded by stunning scenery and served by exceptional facilities for all ages.



Pelham Hall, Penallt's sizeable Village Hall, has 3 floodlit tennis courts, a cricket club, bowls and table tennis clubs and serves as a hub for many village activities.



There are 2 pubs including the iconic Boat Inn on the river, a burger restaurant and gin distillery at the 'Humble by Nature' farm. There is also Michelin star dining at The Whitebrook.



The village hosts popular music and arts festivals including an annual beer festival. Babington Meadow at the centre of the village, offers sport and timber playground facilities for all ages.



History

The Argoed was visited by Charles I during the Civil War, was home to the Probert's who served as MPs in the late 17th century and home to the Chairman of the Great Western Railway. It was also where George Bernhard Shaw wrote 'The Man of Destiny' and 'Mrs. Warren's Profession', where Beatrice Webb, founder member of The Fabian Society hosted prominent friends and guests towards the end of the 19th century and was the former home of Led Zeppelin rock legend, Mr Robert Plant CBE.

The House

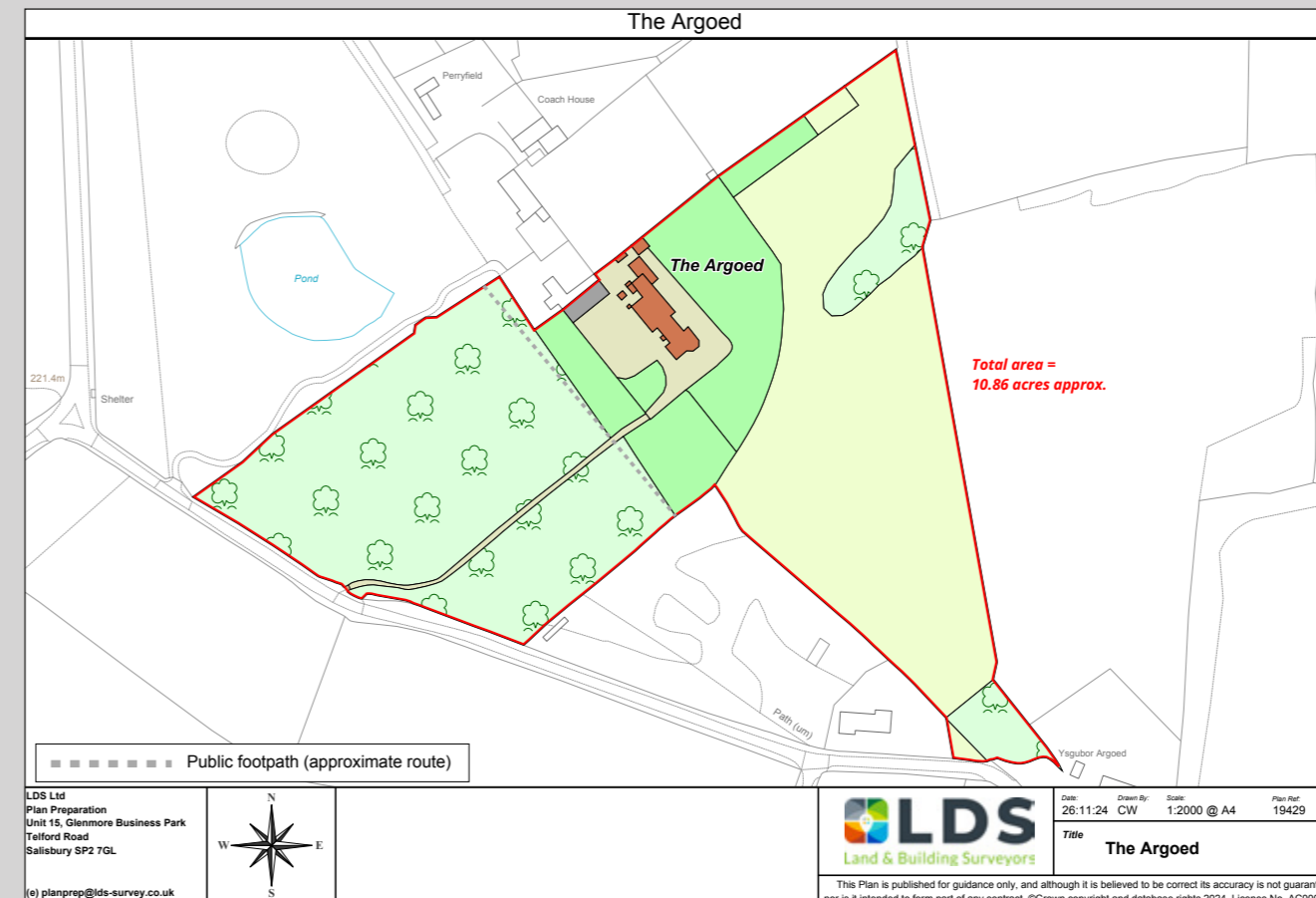
The Argoed is a beautifully presented and imposing, Grade II* listed, three storey country house. The core of the property dates back to Jacobean times. This special home is set within approximately 10 acres, enjoying breathtaking views, an impressive arboretum and a 'monumental' stable block. The famed architectural historian, John Newman, described The Argoed quite simply as 'tantalising'.

It is perfectly evident that the present owners have lavished the house with much care and attention, not least of all by refurbishing the sash windows and intelligently relocating the kitchen/breakfast room into the heart of the home; making full use of its dual aspect and incorporating a five door electric AGA. A transformation which lends itself so much more to 21st century family life.

The impressive reception hall offers a large wood burner on one side and an attractive stairway on the other. The property comprises five reception rooms, principal suite, wood panelled guest suite and five further bedrooms, a total of four bathrooms, kitchen/breakfast room, guest cloakroom, two utility rooms, integral garage, gardener's workshop and WC, greenhouse, stable block and five additional rooms across the entire second floor.



Of particular highlight is the principal suite and guest suite. The former extends across the entire southeast side of the The Argoed, catching the morning sun through the large Georgian windows. The latter is adorned with attractive, floor to ceiling wood panelling offering a respectful nod to the home's Jacobean origins.



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Outside

The gardens and grounds of The Argoed are listed on the Cadw/ICOMOS Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in Wales.

They are glorious, with a traditional country house blend of gravel, grass, shrubs and borders with breathtaking views across the valley. There is a Japanese garden set around a water feature, accompanied by an open fronted loggia. The garden also includes an impressive ha-ha renovated by the current owners. The arboretum is well established and fascinating and the fact that the English translation of 'argued' is 'by the wood', makes its presence all the more fitting.

Property Information

Tenure: Freehold.

Guide Price: £2,000,000

Local Authority: Monmouthshire County Council

Council Tax: I

Directions (NP25 4RY): Take the B4293 from Monmouth towards Trelleck. Take the turning left to Penallt and follow the road to the village. On reaching the crossroads, turn right and after 200 metres turn left signposted Tregagle. After 100 metres, the driveway to the property is on the left.

Viewings: Strictly by appointment with Knight Frank LLP.



Approximate Gross Internal Floor Area

Main House: 866 sq m / 9,321 sq ft

Outbuildings: 150 sq m / 1,614 sq ft

Garage: 37 sq m / 398 sq ft

Total Area: 1,053 sq m / 11,333 sq ft

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