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Introduction

The Forest Lodge Hotel is an eighteenth century coaching inn located in the village of Edwinstowe, Nottinghamshire. We are a four-star accredited inn and are rated under the National Accessible scheme as level 1. We are listed in the Good Beer Guide and have previously won Nottinghamshire Pub of the Year. We provide excellent food. We have 13 guest bedrooms, of which five are on the ground floor. One of these latter has been equipped with facilities for those with limited mobility e.g. ramps, grab rails.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone (01623) 824443 or email reception@forestlodgehotel.co.uk.

Pre-Arrival

The nearest train station is Mansfield Woodhouse, approximately 6 miles away. Accessible taxi services are available in the area. There are also buses that serve Edwinstowe.

For full details and maps of how to reach us please see the directions section of our website. Alternatively, you can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info; simply enter your postcode and ours, which is NG21 9QA to get directions.

Car Parking and Arrival

The Forest Lodge has a large free car park with some 35 spaces, two of which are specifically allocated for disabled use. These two spaces are directly adjacent to our ground floor bedrooms to make access easier. Access from the car park into the main public area is up a slight incline and then via large double doors. Internally, there are grab rails. Ramps can be provided upon request. A member of staff will always be on hand to assist.

The car park surface leading to the side entrance is tarmac with no kerbs.

Bar & Bar Area and Dining Area/Restaurant

The Forest Lodge has a public bar area and a separate restaurant situated on the ground floor. Meals are served in both areas. There are two steps down into the bar area and two steps up into the restaurant. Ramps for all these steps are available upon request. Thereafter there is level access throughout. Hand and grab rails are present. Floor surfaces are wooden and carpeted. Seating is mixed: benches, upright chairs with and without arms. Lighting is intimate. Table service is available. Menus are extensive and cater for all appetites.

Customer Toilets

We provide a clearly marked unisex toilet on the ground floor for those with disabilities. It has a wide access (900mm) level entry, horizontal and vertical grab rails and low-level sink (700mm) with lever taps, hand dryer, etc.

Beer Garden/Outdoor Area/Smoking area

The Forest Lodge has two separate, small outdoor areas. One is gravelled and requires a step to enter into it and the other is cobbled on a very slight decline. The former has four tables available with individual chairs, the latter four wooden benches.

Accommodation – Bedrooms

The Forest Lodge has five bedrooms on the ground floor, one of which is specifically equipped for those with limited mobility and their carers. There is a small step up into the room (200mm). On request, a ramp can be provided. There is an interconnecting door between the specially equipped room and another room which would be suitable for a carer.

Accommodation – Bathrooms, Shower-rooms & Toilets (Ensuite or Shared)

All of our 13 bedrooms have en-suite facilities. Two of the bedrooms have both a bath and a shower. However, these rooms are upstairs. In the bathroom assigned for those with limited mobility, there is a vertical/horizontal grab rail and lever taps. There is also a large walk-in shower with a small step up (240mm) in order to get into it. Door opening into the bathroom is 900mm.

Accommodation – Public Areas

The Forest Lodge is almost 250 years old and whilst we do everything that we can to make access for those with disabilities easier, it must be borne in mind that it is an old building! There are a couple of steps up into our restaurant area and two down into the bar. Flooring is a mixture of wood, old paving tiles and carpet. Lighting is intimate and ambient light is quite limited in certain areas. Corridors are wide (1350mm) and public seating areas quite spacious. There are 13 steps leading up to our first-floor bedrooms.

Additional Information

All of our staff receive regular training that includes disability awareness training. We have a set of evacuation procedures – should you require assistance someone will help you with evacuation either out of the building or to a refuge.

Contact Information

Address (Inc postcode):

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