



YHA Llanddeusant - Access Statement

Introduction

One of our most remote hostels, this former 18th Century inn is a beautiful rural retreat in the corner of the Brecon Beacons. It has spectacular views of the Sawdde Valley and trails lead to the legendary Llyn-y-Fan glacial lake, great for walking, star gazing and relaxing holidays.

We aim to cater for the needs of all visitors in this 26-bed hostel; a 2-storey building set at the heart of the Brecon Beacons. None of our bedrooms or bathrooms meets modern accessibility standards.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01629 592700 or email customerservices@yha.org.uk.

Pre-Arrival

- The nearest rail station is Llangadog which is 6.5 miles away.
- There is no bus service which runs close to the hostel.
- The road approaching the hostel is a narrow, winding country lane. The lane is surfaced with tarmac, but does not have pavements or street lighting. From the lane there is an unsurfaced drive of approximately 50 metres, leading to the hostel.
- The hostel's details can be seen on YHA's website www.yha.org.uk; please scroll down to the Maps and Directions section to view a map and transport options.
- You can contact the hostel by phone or e-mail (please see contact information).

Car Parking and Arrival

We have ample parking 10 metres away from the entrance, for approximately 10 cars. There are no marked accessible bays, but we would be happy to reserve a space close to the entrance if required. There is a hard, level earth surface which runs from the car park to the main entrance.

Guests can also be dropped off here. If you let us know what time you are coming we will do our best to provide assistance moving to and from cars.

Main Entrance and Reception

From the car park there is a step up, followed by a level threshold through a single leaf door which opens outwards. This leads through into the reception lobby. The floor is level and surfaced with carpet, and the area is well-lit.

A portable induction loop is available on request at Reception. A payphone is also available in this area.

Public Areas

Halls, Corridors and Stairs

There is good colour contrast to floor, walls and doorways throughout the building. All public areas, halls, stairs and landings are well lit using a combination of ceiling and wall lights. The corridor flooring is stone on the ground floor, and carpeted upstairs.

Unfortunately we do not have a lift, so access to the first floor is by stairs only. The stairs are carpeted and have a handrail fitted to one side. They are steep and there is quite low headroom. There are 15 steps to the first floor.

Lounge/Dining Room

Our combined lounge and dining room is an open plan space which also includes the self-catering kitchen. It is located on the ground floor and has level access via a single leaf door. The floor is level throughout, and surfaced with flagstones. The room is well-lit with ceiling lights.

The room is furnished with sofas, armchairs, dining tables and pew style benches with armrests. There are also bar stools around the kitchen worktop. All furniture can be moved; please just ask at reception if you require assistance.

Self-Catering Kitchen

YHA Llanddeusant is self-catering only. The self-catering kitchen is located in the lounge/dining area as described above. The floor in this section of the room is quarry tile.

The kitchen is equipped with an electric induction hob/cooker and one domestic size gas cooker with an oven, two fridges, a freezer, a microwave, kettles and a range of kitchen utensils, crockery and cutlery crockery and some kitchen equipment are kept in high shelving units. We would be happy to move these to lower storage if required.

Drying Facilities

The drying room is located on the ground floor and has level access from the entrance hall via a single leaf door. The floor is level and surfaced with stone, and the room is well-lit. A large drying rack is available for guests to use.

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

None of the rooms is en-suite, but they do all contain a washbasin. All bedrooms contain bunk beds, are carpeted and are well-lit with ceiling and individual bunk lights. All bedding is provided.

All of the bathrooms have LED lighting and non-slip flooring. The standard showers have a step up to enter.

First Floor

- Three 4-bedded rooms
- One 6-bedded room
- One 8-bedded room

- Three WCs and two showers

Grounds and Garden

We have a garden and wooded area, which are fairly level. There are no paths traversing these, so the ground is either grass or earth. Three standard garden benches/tables are available in the grounds for guests to use.

Cycle Shed

The cycle store is located next to the building. The store is locked and there is a key safe that the key can be collected from.

Camping Facilities

YHA Llanddeusant has three areas for camping. The main area, the Youth Hostel garden, has a capacity for 10 tents, and has seating and tables for meals. There are another two areas which are also used for camping. The site is level, but has no lighting at night so please be sure to bring a torch.

Campers have full access to the hostel facilities as described above. Laundry facilities and towel hire are also available and basic food can be bought from the hostel.

Camping is available from Easter until September but we may be able to accommodate other dates. Please contact the hostel directly for more information.

Additional Information

- We do not permit pets, but assistance dogs are very welcome.

- We do not permit smoking anywhere in the hostel.
- During peak season a member of staff is always available on site including at night. Access is via the emergency phone at Reception. When the hostel is on exclusive hire no staff are on site.
- Braille signs are fitted on room doors and corridor doors.
- Emergency lighting and fire alarms fitted. We ensure that all guests are evacuated in the event of fire or any emergency requiring evacuation. Arrangements for guests needing assistance to evacuate in case of fire should be discussed beforehand.
- Evacuation procedures are displayed in each bedroom.
- There is no mobile phone reception within the hostel.
- Wi-Fi is not available at this hostel.

Contact Information

- Address: YHA Llanddeusant, The Old Red Lion, Llanddeusant, Camarthenshire, SA19 9UL
- Telephone: 0345 3719750
- Email: llanddeusantmanager@yha.org.uk
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We welcome your feedback to help us to continue making improvements. Please contact us directly if you have any queries or if you would like to make any comments.