



YHA Youlgreave - Access Statement

Introduction

This small and almost perfectly formed traditional country Youth Hostel is housed in the former village Co-op. Set in the centre of picturesque Youlgreave village (note the all-important spelling difference!) and located in stunning White Peak countryside, this hostel is a great base for walkers, cyclists and sightseers alike.

We aim to cater for the needs of all visitors in this 42-bed hostel; a 4-storey Co-op built in 1887, set in the centre of Youlgreave in the Derbyshire Dales. Unfortunately none of our bedrooms or bathrooms meets modern standards of accessibility.

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 Matlock which is 8 miles away.
- The nearest bus stop is within 120 metres of the hostel. There is a limited bus service which runs accessible buses to this stop.
- The hostel is in the centre of the village. From the bus stop there is a level tarmac footpath leading to the hostel. There is no street lighting on this route.
- The hostel's details can be seen on YHA's website www.yha.org.uk; please click on the Maps and Directions tab 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 only have one parking space at the hostel, which can be found in front of the basement windows at the front of the building. Unfortunately we are unable to reserve this parking space.

Other cars should be parked either on the street or at the car park at the western end of the village near the allotments – about 5 minutes walk from the hostel. Please note that parking is not permitted down the driveway to the right of the hostel, nor on any white line in the village.

Guests can also be dropped off in front of the hostel. 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

The main entrance is to the side of the building and takes you into the lower ground floor. There is a step up through a manual single leaf door which opens inwards, followed by a

step down. The flooring here is tiles. To reach the reception there is a narrow flight of 13 steps, with a partial handrail, up to reception.

During opening hours the hostel can also be accessed from the front. There are three stone steps, without a handrail, up to a sloped, paved terrace leading to the front door. Picnic tables are located on the terrace. There is a manual single leaf door which opens inwards into the common room.

From here there is a set of double doors which lead into the reception. The flooring in the reception area is carpet and the area is well-lit.

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 carpet throughout.

Unfortunately there is no lift, so access to the upper and lower floor is by stairs only. The stairs are carpeted. The staircases to the first and second floors have a handrail fitted to one side.

Public WCs

There is a unisex WC on the lower ground floor. The flooring is tiled and the room is well-lit.

Common Room

Our common room is located on the ground floor and has level access from reception via double doors. This space includes the cosy dining room and lounge. The floor is level throughout and surfaced with carpet. The common room is well-lit with ceiling lights.

The room is furnished with coffee tables, sofas, dining tables and straight backed wooden chairs without armrests. All furniture can be moved; please just ask at reception if you require assistance.

Table service is available; please ask at reception and we will be happy to help. We are also happy to cater for dietary requirements or any particular likes or dislikes. Please advise us of these before your arrival.

Self-Catering Kitchen

The self-catering kitchen is located on the lower ground floor. From the corridor there is a step down through a single leaf door. The floor is level and surfaced with tile. The room is well-lit with ceiling lights.

The kitchen is equipped with three hobs, two ovens with grills, microwave oven, cordless kettles, one fridge and two fridge freezers. A range of kitchen utensils, cookware, crockery

and cutlery is also provided. Mugs and glasses 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 lower ground floor. From the corridor there is a step down through a single leaf door. The floor is uneven stone flags. The room is well-lit.

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

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

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

First Floor

- One 2-bedded room
- One 4-bedded room
- One 8-bedded room

- Two WC and two showers

Second Floor

- Four 4-bedded rooms
- Two 6-bedded rooms

- Four WCs and three showers

Grounds and Garden

There are three stone steps, without a handrail, up to a sloped, paved terrace at the front of the hostel. Picnic tables are located on the terrace.

Cycle Shed

The cycle store is located at the rear of the building. Ask at reception and staff will unlock the door for you.

Additional Information

- We do not permit pets, but assistance dogs are very welcome.
- We do not permit smoking anywhere in the hostel.

- A member of staff is always available on site, including at night (access via buzzer at Reception).
- 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.
- Mobile phone reception varies, but is usually okay for most networks, especially on the higher floors of the building.
- Wi-Fi is not available at this hostel.

Contact Information

- Address: YHA Youlgreave, Fountain Square, Youlgreave, near Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1UR.
- Telephone: 0345 3719151
- Email: youlgreave@yha.org.uk
- Ordnance Survey Map 119; Grid reference SK210641
- Local buses: Catch the 171 or 172 from Matlock and get off at Holywell Lane. For more information see the [Hulley's of Baslow website](#).
- Local taxi: Peak Premier Travel 01629 636877; Al's Taxis 07866 661188.

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.