# Welcome to our Home.

# Little Causewell

At Causewell Farm, Poundstock, Nr Bude Cornwall EX23 0DW



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# WELCOME

#### **Welcome to Little Causewell**

Welcome to Little Causewell, our home in the village of Poundstock. This welcome book is intended to help you get acquainted with the area and our home. We have been living in Cornwall for two years now and are still getting to know the place, but we are willing to share with you some of the lovely places that we have encountered since we have been here. Along with our area guide you will also find everything you need to know about our home. You will find a copy of this guide in the holiday let for you to use during your stay, so you needn't print this out.

#### Little Causewell

We have sought to equip our home to a high standard and to anticipate your needs by providing all the things you might want for a comfortable and relaxing stay. There is a washing machine and hairdryer in the holiday let so that you do not have to worry about luggage restrictions.

#### Our philosophy

You want to have a wonderful holiday and we want that for you too. We believe that when you are here this is your home for however long you are staying and that you will be relaxed, comfortable and happy.

#### Welcome to our piece of paradise.



# ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE INFORMATION

## ARRIVAL INFORMATION

#### WIFI / INTERNET DETAILS

The house has free Wi-Fi. The details are: Supplied when you arrive. *ID*:

Password:

(The Wi-Fi daily allowance is 4GB per device per day, any additional data required can be purchased though the internet, details to be found at the house)

The service is provided for your enjoyment, but you are responsible for safe and appropriate use and complying with all laws. If there is any loss of service, please contact Dan and Kate on 01288361212 or 07780695522 (or knock on the door)

#### **CHECK-IN TIME**

Check-in time is 4pm. We can sometimes arrange an early check-in so please contact us if you will arrive early and we will do our best, without any promises! We suggest you refer to the section on what to do if you arrive early - there is plenty to keep you entertained!

#### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

If you are arriving via car and have a GPS / Satnav system in the car, please use EX23 0DW but note that this postcode covers quite a large area. If you search google maps for "Causewell Farm, Poundstock, Bude" you should find us marked on the map. You can also find us on the What3Words website using the link <a href="https://what3words.com/search.diver.shop">https://what3words.com/search.diver.shop</a>

#### From London

Take M4 to Bristol, M5 to Exeter (M5 to A30 from Exeter)

#### **From Exeter**

Take the A30 towards Okehampton, at just past Launceston take the A395 signposted to Camelford and Wadebridge. At Hallworthy take the B3262 to Bude (don't worry if you miss this one just follow the A395 to the A39 and turn right. The B3262 just cuts off a corner). When you reach the A39 turn right towards Bude, follow the A39 through Wainhouse Corner and Treskinnick Cross. As you approach Poundstock you will see a restaurant called Bangors Organic at the crossroads. Stay on the A39 for approximately 0.8Km after Bangors then take the next right turning into the cul-de-sac. Turn right again and then left into the track with the Causewell Farm, Middle Causewell/MacPlant signs. Follow down the track, up the other side and pass the Middle Causewell sign on your right, following the track around Cedar Lodge and carry on up through the gate and you can park at the top outside your destination.

#### From Barnstaple

Take the A39 towards Bideford and Bude follow all the way to Bude continue on the A39 after the roundabout, past Box's Shop, past turning on right to Widemouth Bay, the next left is into the cul-de-sac (just before the 50mph speed limit and Poundstock signs) and proceed as above.

#### **PARKING**

Parking is provided on site for 2 cars.



**DEPARTURE INFORMATION** 

#### **CHECK-OUT PROCESS**

When you leave, please ensure the following simple tasks are done:

- take the rubbish out to the bins
- run the dishwasher
- lock the house
- leave the key with the Kate or Dan (put it through the letter box if we're out).

We hope you had a wonderful holiday and wish you safe travels back home. We'd love to see you again next year!

#### **CHECK-OUT TIME**

Check-out time is strictly 10am. Should you require a later check-out we will do our best but you need to let us know beforehand. If we have guests arriving that day it will be almost impossible to offer a late check-out due to the cleaners needing to prepare for those guests.

#### **CLEANING**

You will find the house clean on arrival but please let us know if you are not satisfied. If you are here for two weeks, we will offer you new bedding and towels after the first week. Please let us know if you don't need it as we are always aware of our carbon footprint and trying to reduce it. On departure it would be helpful if you could leave the house (particularly kitchen contents and BBQ/grill) clean and tidy. Thank you.

#### **BREAKAGES**

We understand that sometimes accidents happen! Should you break anything please let us know immediately - if it's minor we usually won't charge. If it's a larger issue (e.g. the TV screen!) we would like to agree the cost with you before you leave to avoid any issues later. Thank you!

### GETTING YOURSELF ORIENTED

#### OVERVIEW OF THE AREA

Little Causewell is just over a mile to the coast path, as you leave the property and turn right back onto the main road then almost immediately left onto the coast road. At the start of the Coast Path is the Widemouth Manor hotel which has a wonderful view over Widemouth Bay, a good place to stop for a drink or maybe a bite to eat. There are two carparks on Widemouth Bay both subject to seasonal parking charges and both have a café. The first you reach is the Black Rock Café, followed by Widemouth Bay Café. Across the road from the Widemouth Bay Café is the wonderful seasonal Trelawney's Café which serves the best cream tea we have had since we arrived in Cornwall. As you carry on along this road towards Bude you will find several eateries. The Beach House serves amazing mussels, and the Elements Restaurant is very good with a very contemporary feel. Carry on into Bude where you find many places to eat of varying price ranges.

#### Other things you may need:

**Closest Beach** Widemouth Bay 1.7 miles

**Closest Supermarkets** 4.6 miles Morrissons and Lidl are the closest but you will also find Co-op, Sainsburys and an independent supermarket called Lansdown Dairies further on in Bude. There is also a little shop at Cornish Coasts (left out of the drive 1.9 miles) for essentials and a café that is open all year round.

Beach House Wet Fish Ltd 2.3 miles.

**Swimming pools and leisure facilities** there is a leisure centre in Bude right next to Morrisons, and if you feel a little more adventurous you could try the Bude Sea Pool that is free to use and open to everyone.

**ATM** Morrisons and banks in Bude.

#### Garages

Morrissons Bude 4.1 miles Esso Bencoolen Road Bude 4.2 miles

#### If going left out of the drive

Harvest Energy Wainhouse Corner 3.4 miles

#### **Pharmacy**

Pharmacies can be found in Bude

#### Church

There is a Saint Winaloes Church in Poundstock, just go up to the crossroads at Bangors and turn right, follow on till you find the church. There is a car park just before you get there.

The church is right next door to the Poundstock Gildhouse.

# Widemouth Bay



Life Guards at Widemouth Bay



A frosty winter dawn outside Little Causewell



# ABOUT THE ACCOMMODATION

## APPLIANCE INSTRUCTIONS / INFORMATION

#### **WINDOWS**

The windows in the main room are able to be tilted open from the top when you put the handle a 90°. To open the windows fully at right angles to the casement move the handle to the upright position and open. Please ensure you close the window completely before you go from one opening to the other or you can end up with it swinging on one hinge which is liable to break it.

#### **CENTRAL HEATING**

Little Causewell has under floor heating downstairs and radiators in the upstairs bedroom. You will find a thermostats on the wall in the bedrooms and lounge. We recommend a setting of 20°c which we find keeps the place sufficiently warm.

#### KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

All manuals for the electrical equipment and appliances are in the back of the Information folder

#### *The Dishwasher:*

It's very simple, we promise! We provide a supply of tablets - you will need to insert one into the flip box container on the inside of the dishwasher door. Then press the program button of your choice - there are a few settings which are obvious - then press the start button.

#### *The Fridge/icebox:*

You should not need to adjust any settings. If you run into any difficulties (e.g. it's not cooling efficiently) please let us know.

#### The Hob and Oven:

The hob is an induction hob. It is really efficient and works very fast, so take care as the pans become hot very quickly if you put the heat on maximum. You'll probably find the hob is ok at 4 or 5 and lower for a simmer. The cooker has a small top oven/grill and a main electric fan oven below, instructions in the folder.

#### **LAUNDRY APPLIANCES**

There is a washing machine in the kitchen with a supply of detergent for your use. To operate the machines, simply select the program you want, place the detergent in the tray, close the door, and hit start. If in any doubt, there are instructions in the folder.

# ENJOYING YOUR TIME INSIDE

**BOARD GAMES / PLAYING CARDS** 

**BOOKS** 

**MUSIC SYSTEM** 

There is a DAB radio/Bluetooth speaker in the lounge.

**TELEVISION / DVD SYSTEM** 

# ENJOYING YOUR TIME OUTSIDE

#### **BEACH EQUIPMENT**

There are also buckets and spades in the shed just let me know if you would like to borrow some.

If you have forgotten to bring beach towels please let Kate know and she will find some for you.

We would strongly advise you to bring wellies, the farm field and orchard get very wet and muddy, we tend to live in ours. (Wellies that is)

#### **CHAIRS / TABLES**

There is a table and chairs for your use in the garden dedicated to Little Causewell but there are various chairs scattered about the property for you to sit and enjoy the view from elsewhere.

#### **GRILL / BBQ**

There is a BBQ for your enjoyment. Please leave it clean and the charcoal disposed of safely.

### OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

#### **BED LINEN / TOWELS**

These are provided **Please do not take the towels to the beach**, If you have forgotten to bring some beach towels please ask Kate and she will find some for you.

#### GARBAGE DISPOSAL & RECYCLING

Please dispose of your rubbish and recycling using the bins and boxes available.

#### WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF A POWER OUTAGE

If there is a power cut in the night, the emergency torches will come on in your bedrooms. You need to contact Dan and Kate to get the trip switches put back on.

# SAFETY INFORMATION & RENTAL RULES

## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

#### **HOUSE RULES**

No extra visitors are allowed to stay other than what was agreed at the booking.

#### **PETS**

Sorry no pets allowed. (There is a resident pooch so the house would not be suitable to someone with a dog allergy).

#### **QUIET TIMES**

No parties are allowed, and we would be grateful if you are mindful of our neighbours and not to have loud music on late at night.

#### **SMOKING POLICY**

This is a strictly **no smoking** house.

#### **TOILETS**

Please do not flush anything down the loo other than loo roll as we have our own sewage treatment plant. Please put any sanitary waste in the bin and dispose of in the dustbin, this is quite important as a non-functioning loo would really spoil your holiday.

## SAFETY INFORMATION

#### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS**

For emergency services please immediately call 999. Do not delay if you feel an emergency situation has arisen.

#### **FIRE ALARM**

The fire alarm will go off automatically and is linked throughout the whole property. There is a fire blanket located in the kitchen area in case of a small fire.

#### **SMOKE**

There are smoke detectors that are linked throughout the two properties and a heat detector in the kitchen area.

# USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

# TELEPHONE NUMBERS YOU MAY NEED

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

999 for Police/Ambulance/Fire brigade

#### **OWNERS**

Dan and Kate Blanchard 01288 361212

Kate 07780695522

Dan 07789280582

#### **DOCTORS**

Stratton Medical Centre 01288 352133

#### **HOSPITAL MINOR INJURIES UNIT**

Sratton Hospital Minor injuries 01288 320100

# PRACTICAL AREA INFORMATION

# LOCAL CONDITIONS

#### STAYING SAFE ADVICE

Please take care whilst walking on the cliff tops and keep away from the edge. It can be extremely windy and occasionally there have been instances of the cliff crumbling, similarly if on the beach don't sit under the cliffs in case of falling rocks. Throughout the summer months there are lifeguards on many of the beaches but not all so please be aware that the sea is very powerful and unpredictable, keep a good eye on children.

#### **TIDE TIMES**

You can find the tides of local beaches on the following website:

https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/specialist-forecasts/coast-and-sea/beach-forecast-and-tide-times

Widemouth Bay is on the website as Widemouth Sand

#### **WEATHER INFORMATION**

Would suggest the BBC weather app

#### LOCAL TRANSPORT

#### **BUS STOPS**

There is a bus stop at the end of the track on the A39. .

#### CAB / TAXI

Google Bude Taxi services.

#### TRAIN STATIONS AND TIMETABLES

The closest train stations are Bodmin and Barnstaple.

View of the sea from the field



We look forward to meeting you.