

**Property reference number: - 161-1187 (LANCASTER )**

Home to a family with a teenage daughter and adult children who may wish to stay too, on occasions. Looking to house swap during the school holidays.

**KEY INFORMATION...**

Bedrooms available:-	Double:-1 +sofa bed, single:-3, and space for extra mattresses in all rooms (max:- 6-8 people)
Children welcome?-	yes any age group are welcome
Pets that live here:-	No pets live here
Re-dogs:-	They would consider a well behaved dog in their home, downstairs only



This large terraced Victorian villa was built in 1891 and is located only a 10-15 minutes walk from Lancaster's historic city centre. The front of the house looks onto a field and a row of tall sycamore trees, while at the back the view is of gardens with mature trees & a hill where house lights shine at night.

The road in front is quite busy at peak times, but quiet at night & weekends. There is a railway line at the back of the house, but you do not notice the sound of the road or railway inside. Although close to the town, there are countryside canal walks, amazing views of the castle, sea & Lake District, only 3 minutes' walk away. Plenty of on street parking.

This home has many original features, both reception rooms have marble fire places & stained-glass doors, and there are high ceilings throughout the house giving it a spacious & elegant feel. The back sitting room has a balcony overlooking the garden. The kitchen has a dishwasher and all the usual equipment plus a table that seats 6 comfortably and 8 when

extended. There is a toilet on each floor of the house.

The first floor has a large double bedroom and single sofa bed, a single room with wash basin and bathroom with bath and shower. On the second floor, up steep stairs, are 2 single bedrooms & a shower room with toilet. There is space for an extra mattress in any of the bedrooms. (Please note this house does have lots of steps.)

The front garden is small but full of flowers while at the back the small, private, enclosed garden has mature trees, flower beds, chairs and table and is reached down steps from the kitchen.

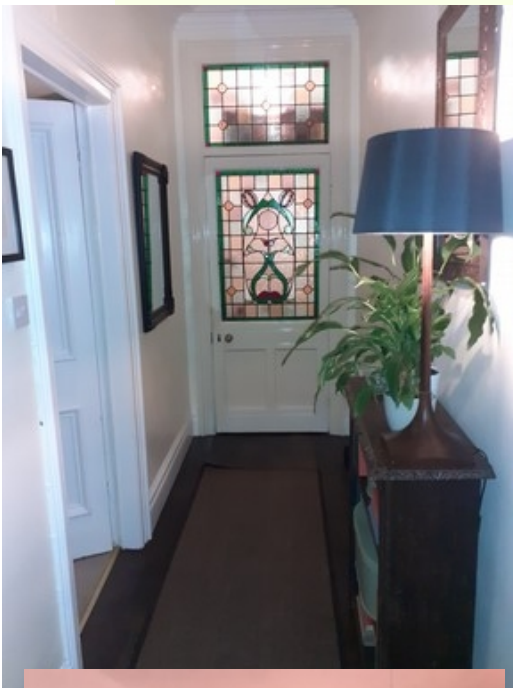
St Thomas' is a large & lively, evangelical Anglican Church, that offers a warm welcome and excellent coffee after the service! About 250 people attend the morning service & 100 in the evening. There is a good mix of traditional & contemporary styles of worship, with many meetings & activities for all age groups, on Sundays & mid-week. See church website:- <http://www.st.tees.org.uk/>

Sport and Leisure	Lancaster University sports centre is an easy 10 minute drive away and is open to the public all year round – swimming pool, sauna climbing wall, badminton and tennis. Salt Ayre Leisure centre is also very close.
Free park	There are 2 large parks with swings, slides and plenty of fields to play football in only 5 minutes walk away

Local places of interest	<p>Lancaster city has a lot to offer. Lancaster Castle is all that a castle should be and much more as, until recently, it was a prison, so tours include prison cells and ancient court rooms. The city has 3 great museums and Williamson Park is a 5 minute drive from the house and has amazing views over the sea and Lake District - plus woods, ponds, café, swings and butterfly house. You can climb to the top of the grand Ashton Memorial for an even better view.</p> <p>The sea at Morecambe &amp; Heysham village - half an hour's drive Kendal in the South Lakes - 40 mins; The beautiful Forest of Bowland can be reached in 15 minutes, &amp; Yorkshire Dales in 45mins. There are many historic houses &amp; gardens within a 45 minute drive.</p>
Entertainment /Arts	<p>Lancaster has 2 theatres, both of which put on great shows all year round, as does the University. There is a multi -screen cinema and a thriving music scene in local pubs. See local websites for more.</p>

**2018-from Martin & Diana in Exeter (ref 0-169)**

**Top marks all round! This was particularly good for our teenage grandsons who loved the fact that the West Coast mainline railway was right outside their window. They were timetabling the freight trains half the night! Also lovely for adults as lots of comfy spots to sit and read.**



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