

**Property reference number: - 082-623 (DONCASTER)**

Home to a lady who is looking to house swap & is particularly interested in visiting the Bristol area where her son lives, but in other locations too!

**KEY INFORMATION**

Bedrooms available:-	Double: - 1 , single: - 2, other:- small double bed-settee in sitting room (max:- ideal for 4, but can fit 5/6 people)
Children welcome?	Yes, any age group
Pets that live here:-	Two easy-going cats that will need looking after please! They have dry food twice a day. There are also a few chickens in a run which will need feeding & will reward with wonderful eggs!
With ref to dogs:-	She could not consider a dog staying because of the cats.

The village of Hatfield is near the smallish town of Doncaster in South Yorkshire. Although only eight miles from the heart of this industrial town, there is an underlying 'village feel' to the area. The surrounding countryside is flat, while some interesting peat moors begin just 4 miles away at Thorne Waste. Houses in Hatfield date from the late 1700's to the present day, giving an interesting range of architecture.

It is a very peaceful location in spite of the nearby motorway links, as traffic can't be heard from the house. There is a wealth of great places to visit in this area, which provide a range of both town and country pursuits. See websites below.



This detached bungalow was built in the late 1950's and is within a ten minute walk of shops, eating places and the church mentioned later.

The garden is fenced, and tying up the gate would make it enclosed! It is laid to lawn with flower borders and shrubs, & house swappers /sitters are welcome to help themselves to any fruit or vegetables that may be ready for picking during their stay. They are even invited to do a bit of weeding if they wish, and in the summer there are plants to water, not daily, but as

necessary. Small children will be pleased to discover the little tree house, enjoyed by the visiting grandchildren!

St Lawrence is the Anglican Church in Hatfield. It has a morning congregation of about 60 people with a more intimate 25-30 for the evening service. Their website is a work-in-progress, so info to follow, but there is a good variety of services & house-swappers will receive a warm welcome! Most of the services tend to be fairly traditional, with family and some other services having a more contemporary style of worship. Mid week events include fellowship groups for prayer and bible study, and a communion service. There are also pram services.



Sport and Leisure	Doncaster Dome with swimming, ice-skating, gym. Other gyms & another swim pool in town. Local sports centre.
Local places of interest	Brodsworth Hall, (E.H.)-10 miles, Doncaster museum-8 miles, Deep Sea-Life Centre+ Marina in Hull-35 miles... ++ see area website or T.I.
Entertainment/Art	Theatres in Doncaster, (and Sheffield-25 miles) Art galleries, intermittent drama events. Local cinemas

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***From Steph & Rob in Northumber;ad ref:- 1303***

We had a brilliant, restful holiday in this really lovely home with outstanding garden. Communication beforehand was friendly and helpful. The instructions for looking after the hens and cat were easy to follow and the eggs were a delicious delight. This is an area we've often zoomed past, as we've headed up and down the country, and it was such a pleasure to spend some time in this location. We found ancient churches, a very rare 'peatlands' environment, canals and good walks. We'd love to swap again , to explore further.

***From Elizabeth and Michael in Oxfordshire ref:-1603 Summer 2022***

This has been a delightful first experience of a CHACS house swap for our family. Chrissy is a kind and warm host, and her home is spacious and comfortable. The garden is large, peaceful and well-loved. Our children have very much enjoyed caring for the chickens (low maintenance), excited to see how many eggs there are each morning and afternoon/evening.

As well as nearby Doncaster, Cusworth Hall and Epworth (birthplace of John and Charles Wesley), we were able to visit York, Lincoln, the Wolds, Cleethorpes Beach and the Humber Bridge. There are also pleasant walks along the nearby rivers and canals. ***Thank you***

***From Jonathan and Audrey ref 1194 Scotland. Summer '21***

This is a lovely home and large garden. There are some responsibilities involved in watering plants and feeding chickens but these are well explained and the reward is eggs galore! Although the immediate surrounding area is not really a holiday destination, we found that fairly easy motorway access to the Yorkshire Wolds, & other places, made it a very enjoyable holiday destination for us.