







# THE OLD COTTAGE

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A truly beautiful example of a traditional, Grade II listed New Forest Farmhouse, set in the heart of Minstead village, within The New Forest National Park. This substantial five bedroom family home has been extended and re-furbished overtime to an outstanding standard offering the perfect balance of period character and light and airy accommodation. The property also benefits from an array of extensive outbuildings including a large established home office, triple garage block, stable yard, pool house and heated swimming pool, all nestled within stunning grounds and paddocks approaching two acres.

£2,150,000







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## The Property

An attractive brick porch leads you through to the front door and into the entrance lobby laid with beautiful stone flooring. To your left, a generous and grand proportioned sitting room, which spans the entire length of the property, with glazing to the far end and French doors out to the patio, allowing light to flood the room. A cosy inset log burner to one end of the room and a large walk in cupboard which has been tastefully designed to incorporate a bar, with electric for a drinks fridge.

The entrance lobby then gives access to the other side of the property into the dining hall. A welcoming space with feature wooden beam and built in units and a window to the front aspect. A useful home office is situated at the back of the property, again with built in cabinets and storage units, a beautiful brick open fireplace and a window to the rear garden.

From the dining hall, the accommodation flows effortlessly into the kitchen diner and snug. A walk though which joins the kitchen to the utility room and ground floor WC, benefits from high quality built in cupboards offering ample additional storage space along with the utility room to the front of the property comprising space for a washing machine and tumble dryer, an additional sink and workspace, additional storage cupboards, housing the oil fired boiler and a water softener system. The kitchen diner is a light and airy family space, featuring a vaulted ceiling with velux windows and additional panels of glazing, as well as a door out to the rear patio.

A beautiful high quality shaker style kitchen, comprises a Rangemaster oven with gas hob, a double Butler sink, integrated dishwasher, a central island offering additional worktop space, a walk in pantry and space for a freestanding American fridge freezer. A door out to the side of the property with an adjoining boot room, is a useful design for country living.













## The Property Continued...

The staircase rises from the dining hall to the first floor accommodation, boasting five generous double bedrooms and three bathrooms. An impressive principal suite with stunning rear aspect views over the gardens and paddocks, featuring a large en suite bathroom with a free standing roll top bath, walk in shower cubicle, double sink and WC. A further four double bedrooms all featuring built in wardrobes, one benefiting from a en suite shower room, offering an ideal guest suite, and the others facilitated by a family bathroom.

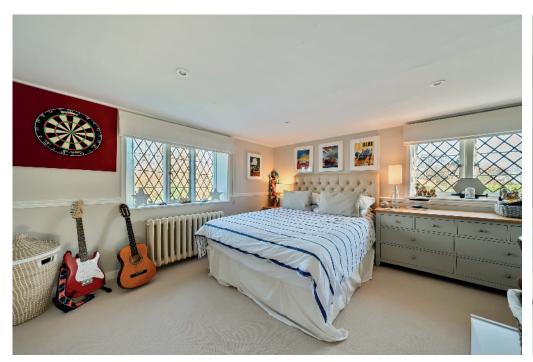
#### **Grounds & Gardens**

Electric gates lead onto a large gravel driveway with parking for ample vehicles and access to the triple garage. A secondary driveway with an automated gated entrance at the other end of the property, provides parking and access to the substantial and established home office, which comprises ample working space, storage, kitchenette and shower room. The front gardens are laid to lawn with shingle pathway and mature hedging to the front offering good privacy.

A large rear patio offers space for alfresco dining and a brick wall with stairs leading up onto the lawn. The two paddocks are fenced with post and rail with beautiful elevated views and benefit from a yard with four stables and hard standing. The grounds also enjoy a newly fitted pool complex with heated outside swimming pool and a large pool house/annexe offering changing facilities, a kitchenette, shower room and further potential to create annexe accommodation STPP. The grounds in total are approaching two acres.

### **Agents Note**

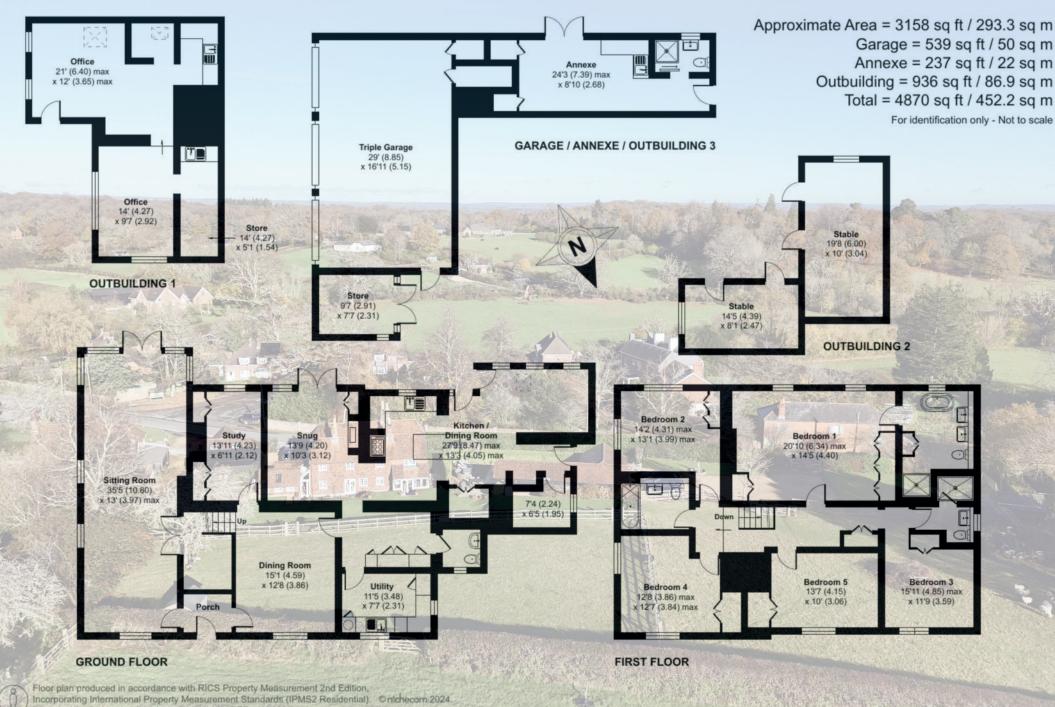
The sellers currently rent an adjoining couple of acres of grazing land and this may be an option to continue for the next occupier of The Old Cottage.



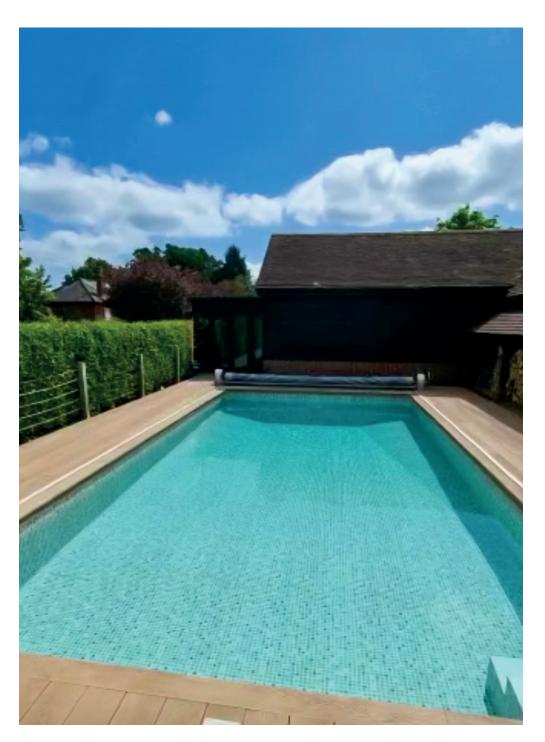








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#### **Additional Information**

Tenure: Freehold Grade II Listed

Council Tax Band: G

Energy Performance Rating: D Current: 55 Potential: 76

Mains electric, water and drainage

House and home office: Oil fuelled heating Barn: Electricity for heating and hot water Swimming Pool: Air source heat pump

Property Construction: Standard construction

Conservation Area: Forest Central South

Commoners Rights: The property has access to an annual cord of wood and common

of pasture

Ultrafast broadband with speeds of up to 1000 Mbps is available at the property

(Ofcom)















#### Situation

Minstead has a vibrant community, a village hall, pub (The Trusty Servant), botanical gardens, and a Norman church. There is direct access onto the open forest providing a network of footpaths and bridleways for walking and riding.

Lyndhurst is approximately a seven minute drive away and is the largest village within the New Forest. It is a popular tourist location with many independent shops, art galleries, cafés, restaurants, pubs and hotels.

Southampton is a vibrant, modern city which has the popular West Quay shopping centre and many attractions. The surrounding areas of Southampton and Winchester have a wide selection of well respected private schools along with several others across the Dorset border. Communications are excellent with access to the A31 westbound at Malwood, the M27 eastbound at Cadnam, and within easy reach of Southampton Parkway station giving a link to London Waterloo within 1 hour and 10 minutes. The coastal resort town of Bournemouth is also only a short drive away.

#### **Directions**

From the centre of Lyndhurst, head North on the A337. At the brow of a hill, turn left signposted Minstead and continue along this road for 1 mile and the property will be found on your left hand side, just before you reach the centre of the village and the village pub.

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