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Oaklea



“An Elegant Period House in One of Hexham’s Most Desirable Residential Settings”

The Property

Occupying a commanding elevated position above Hexham, Oaklea is a substantial Edwardian house dating from 1903, set within beautifully established gardens and enjoying far-reaching views across the surrounding landscape. Constructed from Bearly sandstone beneath a Welsh slate roof, the house represents an increasingly rare opportunity to acquire a period property of genuine architectural merit, where original craftsmanship, scale and character have been carefully preserved.

Approached through stone gate piers and mature gardens, the house immediately conveys a sense of permanence and quality. Decorative timber detailing, carved bargeboards, substantial chimney stacks and original architectural flourishes combine to create a striking façade, while the elevated setting allows the house to sit proudly within its surroundings.

The entrance vestibule provides an elegant introduction, retaining original decorative floor tiles and period joinery. Beyond, the reception hall showcases many of the features that define the house, including wide pine floorboards, detailed timberwork, original etched glazing and an impressive staircase rising through all three floors.

The principal reception rooms are beautifully proportioned and rich in period detail. The sitting room is a wonderfully light and inviting space, centred around a substantial fireplace and framed by a broad bay window overlooking the gardens. Deep decorative cornicing, original timber flooring and impressive ceiling heights create a room of considerable character whilst remaining entirely comfortable for everyday living.



Across the hall, the drawing room offers a more formal setting. Distinguished by its striking polygonal bay, elegant proportions and marble fireplace, it is a room equally suited to entertaining guests or enjoying quieter moments throughout the day. Large windows draw natural light deep into the room while framing views of the surrounding gardens.

To the rear, the dining room provides an excellent setting for both family meals and larger gatherings, conveniently positioned between the reception accommodation and kitchen. The kitchen itself is fitted with extensive cabinetry and incorporates the traditional gas Aga referenced throughout the property's recent history. A useful utility room and cloakroom provide practical support, while an adjoining office offers valuable flexibility for those working from home.

Added in 2006, the orangery has been thoughtfully designed to complement the original architecture. Flooded with natural light from its glazed roof lantern and extensive windows, it provides a wonderful connection to the gardens and serves as an additional reception space throughout the seasons. The outlook from here is particularly attractive, with mature planting providing privacy and colour throughout the year.

The first floor is arranged around a generous central landing and offers four substantial bedrooms. Several enjoy far-reaching views across Hexham and beyond, while the balcony provides an elevated vantage point from which to appreciate the property's setting. Period fireplaces, decorative plasterwork and original timber flooring continue throughout the accommodation, reinforcing the remarkable integrity of the house.





The principal bedroom occupies one of the finest positions within the house, benefiting from a large bay window, elegant proportions and a particularly attractive outlook. The remaining bedrooms are similarly generous, served by a family bathroom and separate WC.

The staircase continues to the second floor, where two further bedrooms and an additional bathroom provide flexible accommodation for guests, older children or hobbies. Exposed roof timbers add further character, while useful attic storage enhances practicality.

Throughout the house, original features have survived to a remarkable degree. Decorative cornicing, fireplaces, period joinery, wide floorboards, Art Deco etched glazing, brass stair rods and the original servants' bell box all contribute to a home of exceptional authenticity and character.



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