

Breathtaking quality at Tappington

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The awe-inspiring Tappington will seriously impress you from the moment you first set eyes on this magnificent Arts and Crafts residence in Birchington. Built in 1907 in leafy Shakespeare Road within very easy walking distance of the beach or the station and designed in the Queen Anne style, this Grade II listed property is arguably one of the finest houses in the area.



The quality of the original building is superb with enormous attention to detail and finish, but it has been sensitively refurbished by the owner for modern day living, although it still includes many original features, providing great charm and character.

Having taken in the splendour of the well proportioned exterior with its array of multi paned, sash windows, beautiful front door and Elizabethan style hedged flower beds, you will be impatient to see the delights beyond.

The charming 17ft principal reception hall with its original arch, framing the wide and elegant staircase and herringbone parquet flooring provides a very welcoming introduction to the interior, while the absolutely stunning 24ft panelled dining room will have you reaching for your guest list, eager to start arranging fantastic dinner parties.

The equally impressive panelled drawing room has a lovely fireplace and three sets of French doors to the covered patio with its Palladian style pillars, so on warmer days and evenings you can wander outside and enjoy cocktails on the terrace overlooking the large lawn and the historic holm oak tree.

There is a large and very useful study if you are working from home, or this would also make a wonderful family room where everyone can get together and relax, while the well fitted modern kitchen with its clean lines, central island unit and range cooker is a joy for any cook.

This leads directly to the newly built orangery/conservatory designed to be in keeping with the rest of the house, where you can sit and admire the view all year round. A utility room and a plant room for flower arranging or keeping outdoors clothes and boots – very useful after a day on the sandy beach or a bracing walk with the dog – complete the spacious ground floor accommodation.

Off the galleried landing you will find four large double bedrooms all with en suite bath or shower facilities including the amazing 22ft by 15ft master bedroom with not only an en suite incorporating both a bath and a shower but also a 19ft by nearly 16ft dressing room.

The second floor is a real surprise as it includes three double bedrooms, a large bathroom with a free standing bath and a large separate shower as well as a fully equipped modern kitchen. This flexible accommodation could be used as a separate annex for family members, a self contained guest suite or for staff – particularly if you needed the property looked after in your absence.