

A charming detached cottage in a wonderful rural location, with gardens and grounds of nearly three quarters of an acre. Guide Price £395,000 Freehold Ref: P7363/J

Rectory Cottage Cooper Road Gosbeck Suffolk IP6 9SN



20'7 sitting/dining room, kitchen and bathroom. Main bedroom and landing/study. Converted 'Shepherd's Hut'. Useful range of storage sheds. Generous driveway and grounds of approximately 0.65 acres, (0.26 ha). Planning permission for replacement dwelling.

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## Location

The property will be found in a delightful rural location, set along a quiet country lane within the rural Parish of Gosbeck, which is conveniently located to the north of the county town of Ipswich. The village of Coddenham is close by and offers everyday amenities including a community run shop and Post Office. There is also a church, recreational ground, village history club and community hall providing many sports facilities including tennis courts, bowls green, badminton court, yoga, football and youth club. Stonham Aspal primary school is under two miles from the property. The thriving village of Debenham is approximately four miles away and offers a good range of local facilities, including a variety of shops, top performing primary and high schools, and an impressive sports centre.

The county town of Ipswich, which is nearly 8 miles, offers further national shops and services, as well as providing regular main line rail services to London's Liverpool Street, which takes about 70 minutes. The A14 is accessible some 5 miles to the west at its junction with the A140 and provides dual carriageway access to Cambridge and The Midlands, as well as Stansted Airport (via the M11) and London's M25 (via the A12).

# Description

Rectory Cottage is a charming, but modest, period property that is believed to date from 1835. The accommodation extends to just over 650 square feet in all and comprises a 20'7 sitting/dining room, kitchen and bathroom on the ground floor, together with principal bedroom and landing bedroom or study area on the first floor. Over the years the current vendor has overhauled the roof and chimney in 2015, re-wired the property in 2011 and installed a new private drainage system in 2013. The cottage also benefits from double glazing to part, as well as a fitted woodburning stove in the Sitting Room.

Other than the property's location, Rectory Cottage's greatest attribute is undoubtedly its south-westerly facing gardens and grounds. Extending to approximately 0.65 acres in all, these are mainly laid to grass for ease of maintenance, but interspersed with well stocked borders. There is also an orchard area and vegetable patch. In addition to a useful range of storage sheds, there is also the 'Shepherd's Hut' with power connected. This was currently used as the vendor's office, but has also provided guest sleeping accommodation in the past.



## Planning and Structural Report

In October 2023, the vendor obtained planning permission for the demolition and replacement of Rectory Cottage with a three bedroomed dwelling together with garden outbuilding—Ref: DC/23/03862. As part of this planning application a structural report was commissioned to support the planning application to have Rectory Cottage demolished and replaced. This highlights some concerns relating to the existing structure. A copy of the structural report is available on request.

#### The Accommodation

The Cottage

## **Ground Floor**

A part glazed wood effect front door opens into the

#### *Sitting/Dining Room* 20'7 x 11'2 (6.27m x 3.4m)

A charming, twin aspect reception room with a large window on the gable elevation providing views to the south-west across the entirety of the garden. The focal point of the room is the open fireplace with Woodwarm woodburning stove set on a raised brick hearth. Additional windows on the front elevation overlooking the garden, driveway and country lane. Electric panel heater and door to



#### *Kitchen* 16'2 x 7'8 (4.93m x 2.34m)

A particularly light room with windows on the rear and side elevation providing good views of the garden. Well fitted with good range of cupboard and drawer units with wood effect worksurface over incorporating a stainless steel sink with mixer tap and drainer. Part glazed door providing access to the garden. Recess for electric oven and upright fridge/freezer. Recess and plumbing for dishwasher and washing machine. Tile effect flooring, fitted cupboard containing the hot water tank and door to



## Bathroom

With suite comprising panelled bath in tiled surround with mixer shower over. WC and pedestal wash basin. Recessed spotlighting, extractor fan and heated towel rail.



Stairs from the Sitting/Dining Room rise to the

## First Floor

#### *Landing/Study* 11' x 9'3 (3.35m x 2.82m)

Sufficiently large enough to be used as a Study/Office Area, and with window on the front elevation. Door to



# *Bedroom* 11' x 11' (3.35m x 3.35m)

A double bedroom with window on the front elevation providing wonderful views of the grazing land opposite and towards Gosbeck wood.



# Outside

Rectory Cottage occupies the most delightful, rural location, set along a quiet country lane in the Parish of Gosbeck. The property is approached over a generous shingled driveway and parking area, that is sufficiently large enough for three to four vehicles. Beside the driveway is a useful **timber framed storage shed**, with side hung double doors to the front and personnel door to the side, measuring approximately 13'4 x 9'10 and with power and light connected. Beside the shed is a separate **metal clad storage building** measuring approximately 10' x 8'6, that provides useful ancillary storage space.

Rectory Cottage benefits from the most wonderful plot, with the majority of the gardens located to the southwest of the cottage. These are mainly laid to grass, for ease of maintenance, but interspersed with well stocked borders containing a variety of mature trees, shrubs and flowers, together with a recently planted native hedge.

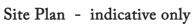
To the rear of the garden is a '**Shepherd's Hut'**,  $7'2 \ge 6'$  (2.18m  $\ge 1.83$ m), and this has been converted to provide a work from home office with power connected. In the past the vendor has also used it as additional bedroom accommodation for guests.

To the rear of the garden is an orchard, with a mixture of apple, plum and pear trees, and in the very corner of the plot is a greenhouse, vegetable patch and garden store. The gardens are enclosed, in the main, by native hedging, although a five bar gate along the frontage provides a separate entrance if required.

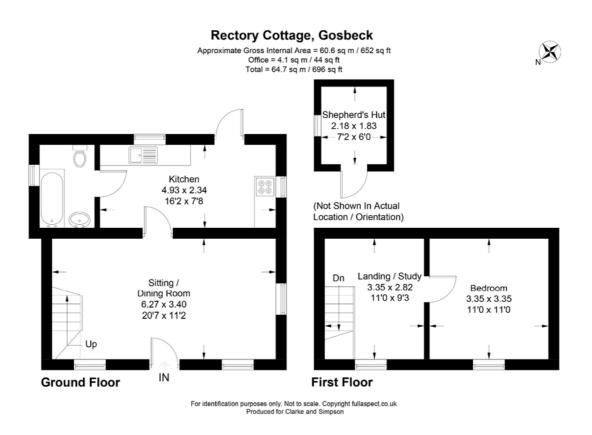
In all, the gardens and grounds extends to 0.65 acres (0.26 hectares).











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*Services* Mains water and electricity. Electric panel heaters providing heating to part. Immersion heater providing hot water. Private drainage system.

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EPC Rating = F

Council Tax Band C; £1,812.09 payable per annum 2024/2025

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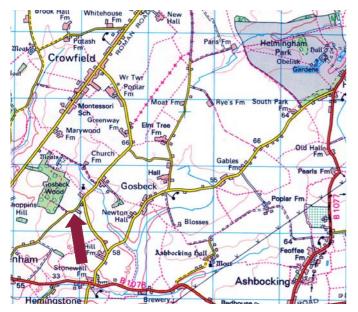
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3. The bathroom photo was taken November 2020





#### Directions

From Framlingham take the B1119 towards Saxtead. At the T-junction turn left onto the A1120 and follow this road into Pettaugh. In Pettaugh turn left towards Crowfield. Follow this road past the Crowfield Rose pub on the right and take the first left signposted to Ipswich. Passing the garage on the right hand side, proceed along this road for approximately 1 1/2 miles, bearing right at the left hand bend onto Cooper Road where Rectory Cottage will be found a short way along on left hand side.

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