

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.

## **Access Statement for The Butcher's Block**

### **Introduction**

The 200 year old pub was originally built in 1812. This fine traditional free house was originally known as The Royal Exchange, located just off the Pilgrim's Way it is an ideal spot for walkers and riders with an abundance of public footpaths from the North Downs to the River Medway and beyond.

We offer a variety of English and European dishes along with our in house dry aged steaks and burgers. We use fresh local produce and all our dishes are home made on the premises. We have a large selection of beers, wines and ales including local Tenterden Chapel Down wine and beer and Maidstone Musket Brewery ales. Visitors can enjoy walking around the Chapel Down Kits Coty vineyard just along the road from us near the Pilgrims Way.

We are more than happy to accommodate any dietary requirements, please telephone to discuss or ask a member of our staff.

Enjoy a relaxing lunch with the family, or round off a country walk with a pint of local ale at The Butcher's Block.

Large car park at the rear of the building with 2 large seating areas, 1 with a sloped edge to allow easier access for wheelchair and pram users.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01634 786626 or email [info@thebutchersblockpub.co.uk](mailto:info@thebutchersblockpub.co.uk)

### **Pre-Arrival**

We are located at 65-67 Church Street, Burham, Rochester, Kent, just below Blue Bell Hill, for sat navs or journey planning websites please use our postcode ME1 3SB.

The nearest railway stations are:-

Aylesford 2.15 miles

West Malling 3.70 miles

Chatham 3.89

Rochester 4.23 miles

Taxis are available at all 4 stations.

The nearest bus stop is 100 metres with buses running from Maidstone to Chatham regularly.

### **Car Parking and Arrival**

There is free parking in our private car park at the rear of the pub.

There is additional free parking in the car park 50 metres from the pub towards New Court Road

The car park surface leading to the side entrance is tarmac with no kerbs.

The car park is well lit at night.

### **Bar & Bar Area and Dining Area/Restaurant**

The bars and restaurant are situated on the ground floor. Entry to the pub is by a small step of 75 mm / 3 inches.

The restaurant is bright and airy with an abundance of natural lighting supplemented by wall lights. Both bars have natural light and are supplemented by wall and ceiling lights.

Candles are lit of an evening throughout the restaurant and bar

There is background music in the restaurant and bar areas

Our staff are extremely helpful and can assist or provide guidance with any query.

## **Customer Toilets**

Ladies and Gents toilets can be found on the ground floor. Access to the ladies is via one small step (approx 1") and to the Gents (approx 6") from the hallway that links both bars. Both ladies and gentlemen's toilets are large enough for assistance to be provided.

## **Beer Garden/Outdoor Area/Smoking area**

Our newly paved front patio area has 3 large round picnic style tables for customer use along with parasols to shield out the sun. You can enjoy the evening sun here and it provides a good view up and down the small lane from the river to the North Downs.

There are 2 patios to the rear of the pub, one larger with several tables and chairs and an upper courtyard patio reached by 2 steps where you can sit under the silver birch tree and enjoy the sun in partial shade.

## **Additional Information**

All our staff receive regular training that includes disability awareness training.

We welcome dogs on a lead and customers are welcome to dine, choosing from the full menu, at our bar tables with their four legged friends. A water bowl is available outside at the front of the porch.

## **Contact Information**

Address (inc postcode):

The Butcher's Block

65-67 Church Street, Burham Rochester Kent

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Grid Reference: TQ 72639 62092

Public House Hours of Operation:

Monday Closed

Tuesday 1700 – 2300

Wednesday – Saturday 1200 – 2300

Sunday 1200 – 2100

1200 -1500 & 1800 - 2100

Food Served:

Local Accessible Taxi:

Medway (Computer Cabs) 01634 666666

Maidstone (Express)01622 222222