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Hampshire SP6 3NF

Fordingbridge 3.5 miles, Ringwood 9.5 miles,  
Salisbury 10 miles, Bournemouth 19 miles,  
Southampton Airport 24.5 miles  
(Distances are approximate)

A superb family home, idyllicy  
situated on the edge of a rural  
village with a potential annexe,  
outbuildings and paddocks

**Lot 1:** Main house comprising: Reception Hall | Sitting Room | Dining  
Room | Family Room | Kitchen/Breakfast Room | Boot Room/Rear Hall  
Plant Room | Cloakroom

Principal Bedroom with Dressing Lobby & en-suite Bath/Shower Room  
Guest Bedroom with en-suite Shower Room | Two further Bedrooms  
Family Bathroom

Outbuilding/Potential Annexe with Bed/Sitting Room & en-suite  
Bathroom | Office/Gym | Utility/Storeroom | Garage

Landscaped Gardens & Grounds | Parking for several cars  
Attractive Range of Paddocks | Woodland | Ponds | Field Barn  
Outstanding long reaching rural views

**In all about 11.18 acres**

**Lot 2** (Available by Separate Negotiation): A Courtyard with a two  
Bedroom Cottage | A One Bedroom Flat  
Machinery/General Store | General Store & Barn/Workshop

**About 0.37 acres**



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## SITUATION

Marsh Barn is located in an idyllic setting surrounded by fields on the edge of the picturesque village of Rockbourne which is known for its pretty chocolate-box cottages and houses, attractive stream and thatched dining inn; The Rose and Thistle. The village also has an active village hall, popular primary school, parish church with Saxon origins and a large Roman villa complex with well-preserved mosaics. There is a post office/shop two miles away at Sandleheath with a wider range of shops available in the riverside town of Fordingbridge, the market town of Ringwood and the medieval cathedral city of Salisbury. The latter also has arts and leisure facilities, a district hospital and a station with mainline rail services to London (Waterloo) and the West Country. The local road network provides access to the other main towns in the area including the Bournemouth/Christchurch/Poole conurbation and Southampton.

Rockbourne is one of the four desirable villages that make up the parish of Western Downland, part of the Cranborne Chase National Landscape which is admired for its beautiful undulating countryside and being an International Dark Skies Reserve. The open expanse, wildlife and spectacular scenery of the New Forest National Park is just 5.5 miles away whilst the beaches and sea sports of the South Coast are a 20-mile drive.

Many families are attracted to the area not just by the quality of rural life but also by the excellent selection of schools in both the state and private sectors, whether at junior or senior level. These include Forres Sandle Manor, Moyles Court, The Burgate School & Sixth Form College, Bishops Wordsworth, South Wilts Grammer School, Godolphin and Chaffyn Grove amongst others.

Rockbourne is an ideal base from which to explore a variety of rural pursuits such as walking, riding and cycling as well as traditional field sports. The area is rich in places of interest such as Breamore House, Salisbury Cathedral, Kingston Lacey and Wilton House whilst Martin Down Nature Reserve is a wonderful haven for birdlife, insects and wildflowers.

## LOT 1: DESCRIPTION

Marsh Barn is a most attractive country home with lovely light and airy elegant accommodation surrounded by beautifully landscaped grounds. Thought to date back to the 1700's and originally built as an agricultural barn, it was sympathetically converted and extended in the late 20th Century with great care taken to retain and indeed enhance the original wooden beams and incorporate them into the new residence. This resulted in the creation of a fine rural home with plenty of character and interest as well as having easy flowing and generous family accommodation.

The ground floor has a good-sized reception hall, a large comfortable principal sitting room overlooking the garden, a family/second sitting room, a dining room ideal for entertaining and acting as a focal point for the house with its access to an oak framed garden room and the spacious kitchen/breakfast room which has a lovely vaulted and beamed ceiling and a four-oven Aga. There is also a rear hall/boot room, utility room, plant room and cloakroom on this level.

On the first floor is a principal bedroom suite with a dressing lobby and en-suite bathroom, a guest bedroom with an en-suite shower room, two further double bedrooms and a family bathroom. All the bedrooms enjoy fine Southeasterly views over the garden.

## OUTBUILDING

Adjacent to the main house is an outbuilding which is made up of a number of useful spaces which could be adapted for a number of purposes and currently comprise a Guest Suite with a large bed/sitting room and an en-suite shower room and which if incorporated with the adjoining Office/Gym would make an excellent annexe. There is also a good-sized Storeroom and a Garage.

## GROUNDS

The extensive grounds of Marsh Barn are a special feature of the property and start with a long gravelled drive running past a park like meadow to two areas of parking by the house. The gardens have been delightfully landscaped and are arranged to three sides with areas of lawn, attractively stocked herbaceous borders with a variety of flowers, shrubs and roses, a paved terrace ideal for al fresco dining, mature hedges and a mix of deciduous, conifer and ornamental trees.

Beyond the formal gardens are three well fenced and level paddocks with a field shelter/ barn and two copses made up of mixed tree species and both having large ponds making them ideal spots to enjoy the local wildlife. From the fields are lovely views across the neighbouring farmland to the woods beyond. A public footpath runs across one of the fields.







**LOT 2 - AVAILABLE BY SEPERATE NEGOTIATION**

Leading off the entrance drive is a large gravelled courtyard with ample parking for several vehicles, raised flower and vegetable beds, greenhouse, areas of lawn and mature trees. One side of the yard is bordered by a large (70' x 24'; 21.34 x 7.34m) steel-framed Barn/Workshop with sliding doors and an inspection pit and on another side by a spacious Machinery/General Store with a mezzanine storage area and on either side are two areas of ancillary accommodation comprising:

**The Cottage:** Sitting room, kitchen/dining room, two bedrooms, bathroom with separate shower and a private garden

**The Studio Flat:** Open plan Kitchen/Sitting/Dining Room, Bedroom and Bathroom



**DIRECTIONS (SP6 3NF)**  
From Salisbury take the A354 Southwestwards towards Blandford Forum. Around 1.5 miles after leaving Coombe Bissett, take the left fork at the top of the hill signed to Rockbourne. Continue through the village towards Sandleheath and shortly after the turning for Damerham take the first turning on the left and then the first drive on the right.

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**GENERAL REMARKS & STIPULATIONS  
TENURE**

The tenure of the property is freehold.

**LOCAL AUTHORITY**  
New Forest District Council

**SERVICES**  
Mains electricity & water, private drainage, oil fired heating & hot water

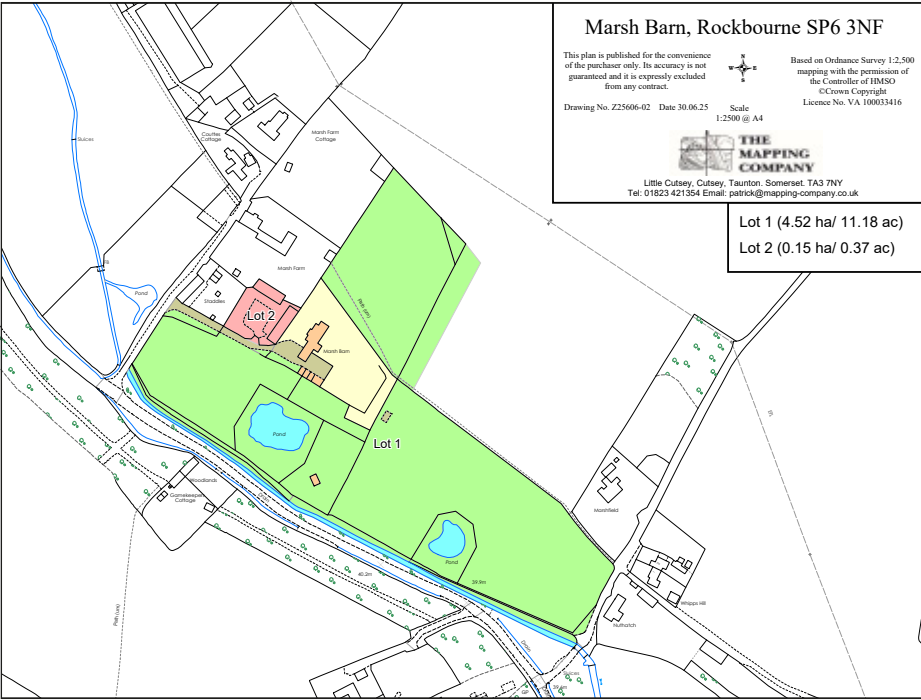
**BROADBAND**  
Standard 28Mbps, Ultrafast 1,000Mbps (Ofcom)

**OUTGOINGS**  
The property is subject to:  
Council Tax Band H.

**ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE**  
E (46) – Please refer to the agents for the complete certificate

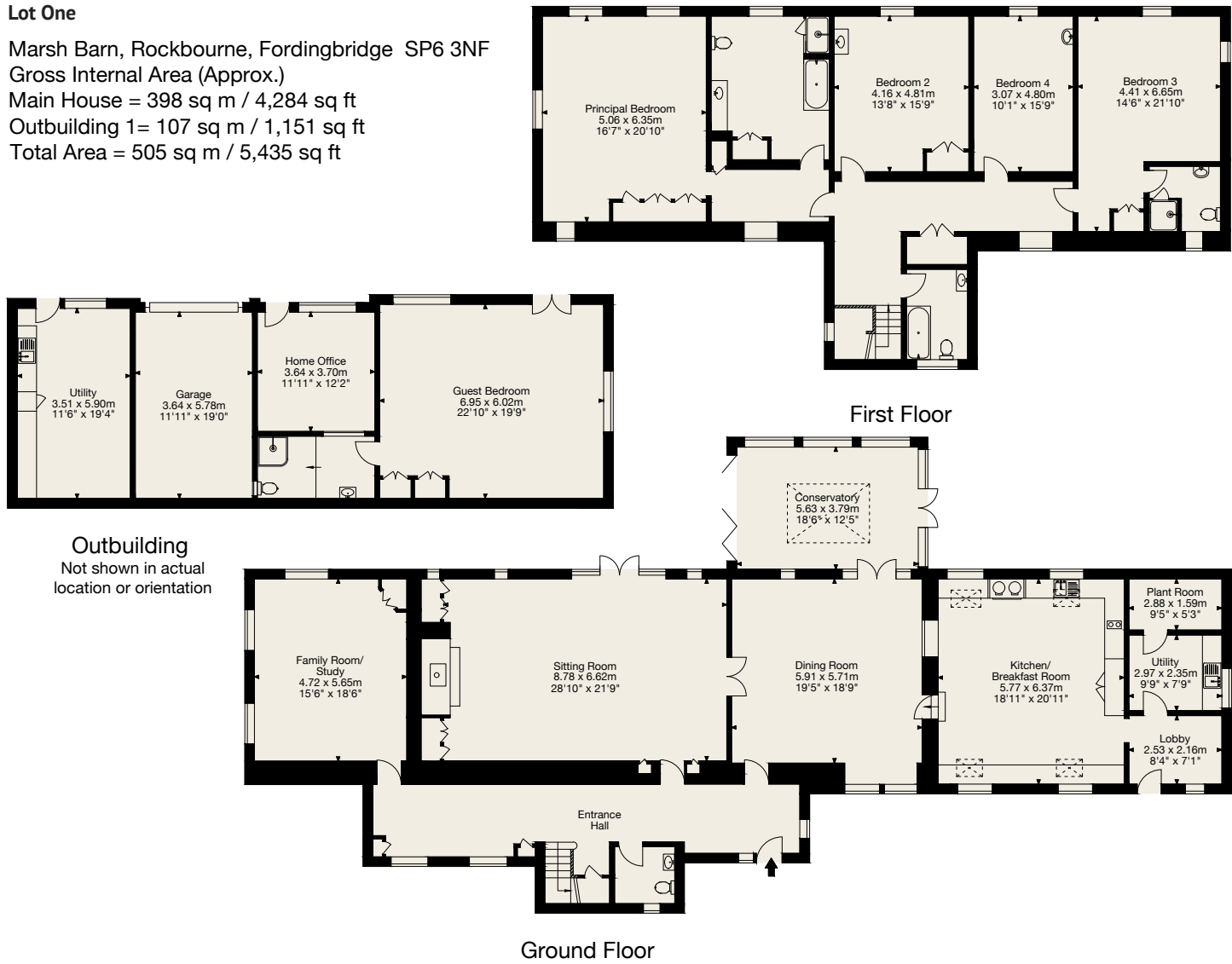
**FIXURES AND FITTINGS**  
Please note that, unless specifically mentioned, all fixtures and fittings and garden ornaments are excluded from the sale.

**VIEWINGS**  
Viewing by appointment with agents  
Rural View.

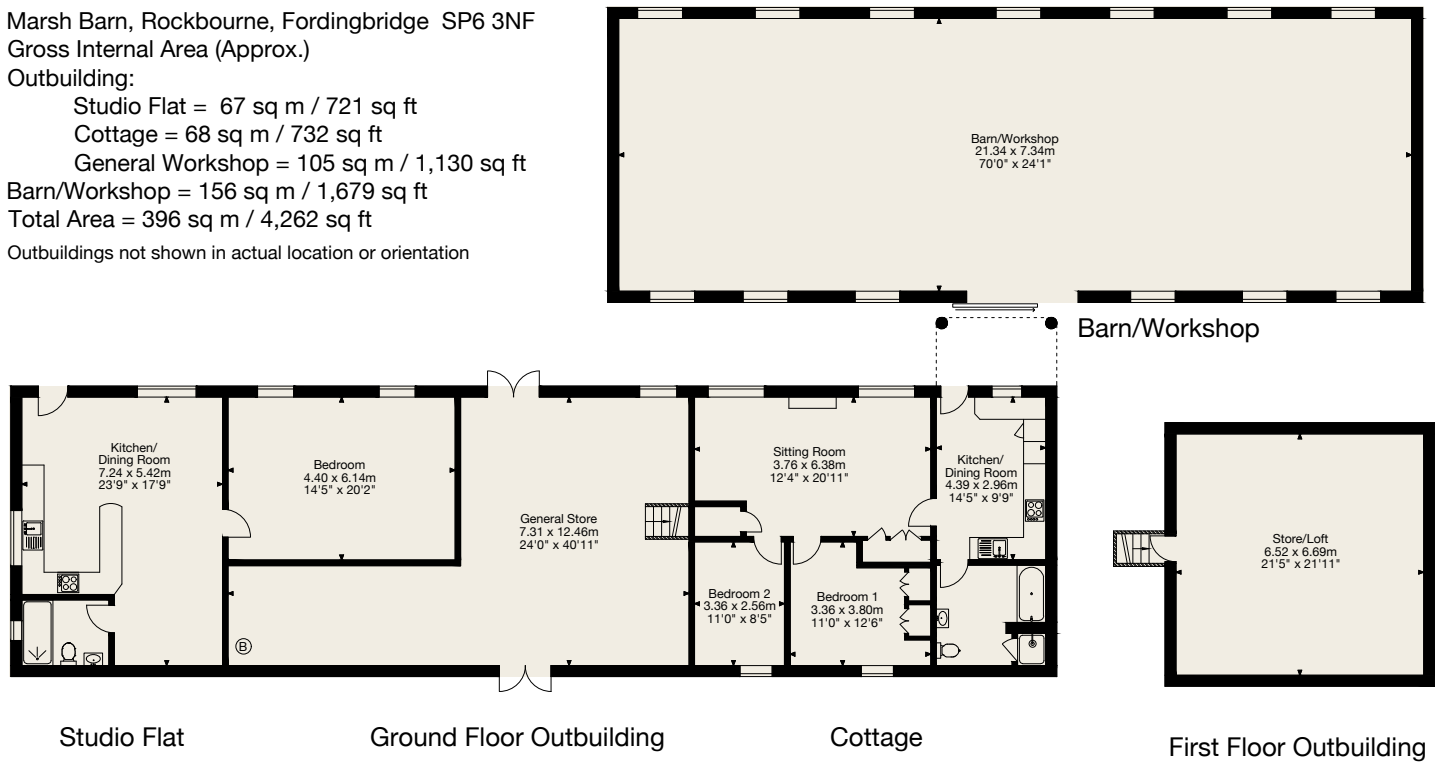




**Lot One**  
Marsh Barn, Rockbourne, Fordingbridge SP6 3NF  
Gross Internal Area (Approx.)  
Main House = 398 sq m / 4,284 sq ft  
Outbuilding 1= 107 sq m / 1,151 sq ft  
Total Area = 505 sq m / 5,435 sq ft



**Lot Two**  
Marsh Barn, Rockbourne, Fordingbridge SP6 3NF  
Gross Internal Area (Approx.)  
Outbuilding:  
Studio Flat = 67 sq m / 721 sq ft  
Cottage = 68 sq m / 732 sq ft  
General Workshop = 105 sq m / 1,130 sq ft  
Barn/Workshop = 156 sq m / 1,679 sq ft  
Total Area = 396 sq m / 4,262 sq ft  
Outbuildings not shown in actual location or orientation



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