

Shute Barton Manor Nr. Axminster, Devon

Refurbishment of rooms in a Grade I listed 14th Century National Trust property



Shute Barton is one of the most important non-fortified manor houses of the Middle Ages still in existence.

The National Trust manage this Grade I listed building constructed between 1380 and the late 16th century. Although partly demolished in the 17th century two wings of the original 14th Century building still remain, including a kitchen with the largest Tudor fireplace in Britain, and the great hall with a notable beamed ceiling. The house was owned by the Pole family, and family descendants retain the right to live here.

By appointment of the National Trust, Ellis & Co. upgraded the property for rental as a comfortable holiday cottage in keeping with the style and significance of this historic building.





From left: Window repairs plastering, joinery and glazing. Resulting in simple, stylist and comfortable accommodation.

Internal repairs were carried out alongside new installations including heating and hot water systems, electrics, a fire alarm system and emergency lighting, a new kitchen, bathrooms and en-suites. Drainage was upgraded with the installation of a new BioDisc sewage treatment plant. The Manor House was fitted with new secondary glazing, partly re-plastered and completely redecorated internally. The overall effect is warm, inviting and in keeping with the style and significance of this historic building.



An example of a refurbished bedroom with panelling, plasterwork, plumbing and window repairs to a high standard in keeping with the high standard of this historic property.