

THE MODERN HOUSE



*Cambridge
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Laslett House, Clarkson Road

This five-bedroom house, set on a 2/3 acre plot (approx) on a favoured road in Cambridge, is widely considered to be one Britain's finest post-war private houses. Designed by the architect Trevor Dannatt for the Cambridge professor Peter Laslett in 1958, it was listed by English Heritage in 2004. This is the first time that the house has ever been on the market and is being offered with plans for an annexe also designed by Dannatt that is sympathetic to the original building (updating of original approval pending). The original features and design have remained largely intact, and although some updating may be desired by a new owner, Dannatt recently wrote in relation to the house that "rarely has an architect had a building so well looked after".

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Accommodation includes a wonderful first-floor living room with large picture windows that overlook the gardens and an open fireplace designed by Dannatt. Four bedrooms and a bathroom make up the rest of the first floor. The ground floor includes a fifth bedroom / second reception room, a WC, kitchen and dining room. There is also a garage on the ground floor that could potentially be converted into further accommodation. The gardens are mainly laid to lawn and offer a great deal of privacy. A short driveway at the front of the house provides off-street parking.

Trevor Dannatt is one of the most important figures in British Modernism. His early career included work on the Royal Festival Hall, London before he went on to form his own practice, firstly on his own and later as Dannatt, Johnson Architects. Dannatt's influence has not only been felt through his celebrated buildings but also his extensive writing, editing of journals and even curating such formative exhibitions such as '20th Century Form' at the Whitechapel Gallery (1953).

The house can be found on Clarkson Road, west Cambridge, a popular, predominantly residential area within easy reach of the city centre. It is also conveniently located for many University buildings (it is in the heart of the science and maths area – the maths faculty and Newton Institute and very close by and the Bill Gates Building is approximately 1/2 a mile away). Other features in the local area include the Adams Road Bird Sanctuary, the Cambridge Lawn Tennis Club and numerous good schools including St John's College School.

The city centre is 0.75 miles away, the main train station is 2 miles away and the M11 is 1.5 miles away (distances are approximate). Trains run from Cambridge to London Kings Cross in approximately 50 minutes. Although a city that is relatively intimate in scale, Cambridge's international reputation as a historic city ensures that it offers a superb selection of shops, dining opportunities and cultural events.



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