One of Yorkshire’s finest and most historic country estates has been fully restored and put on the market by its owner, Flamingo Land theme park chief executive, Gordon Gibb, with a £4.5m price tag.

Set in 65 acres of parkland near Pickering in North Yorkshire, Kingthorpe House has been meticulously restored to its former glory by the Gibb family, who originally intended the 9,000 sq ft eight bed roomed house to be their family home. The renovations have transformed the property into a magnificent listed period house bristling with high tech features.

Kingthorpe’s heritage stretches back to a mention in the Doomsday Book of 1086 and the current country house was developed by the Fothergill family in the 18th and 19th centuries. The house, which has six reception rooms, was also the home of Richard Rowntree and his family for three decades from 1966

Under the ownership of Gordon Gibb, the house has undergone an intensive two-year period of no-expense-spared refurbishment to the highest standards, a project that has been a labour of love for the Gibb family.

The restoration programme has seen many of Kingthorpe’s original features reinstated including hand crafted ceiling cornices, high skirting boards and magnificent fireplaces. The redevelopment has also
introduced state of the art innovation to the house, to create an ultra-modern environment for family life and work.

High-tech luxuries at Kingthorpe include an integrated sound system, hard wiring for broadband, ground source heating and a bespoke contemporary kitchen complete with integrated fixtures and the highest quality appliances and even Aquavision TVs in the bathrooms.

The house looks out onto swathes of rolling parkland stretching as far as the eye can see. Its own gardens retain formal, manicured features including sweeping lawns, an orchard and a tree-lined boulevard. A coach house, stables and a detached cottage all come as part of the Kingthorpe package.

Despite its deceptively rural setting in leafy heaven on the southern edge of the North York Moors, Kingthorpe is within practical commuting distance of York (just 20 miles), Teesside (30 miles) and even Leeds (40 miles). The house is also only a stone’s throw from well-heeled Pickering, and less than half an hour from the seaside at Scarborough or Whitby.

Kingthorpe House is for sale with York and Leeds property agent Croft Residential which specialises in exclusive properties in Yorkshire and across the north of England.

“This is one of the finest country estates in the north of England and the comprehensive renovation programme that has only just been a completed makes it certainly one of the most high tech large estates on the market,” said agent Toby Cockcroft of Croft Residential.

“The attention to detail that the owner has shown in specifying the original features and carefully restoring the fabric of the building is really impressive. Mr Gibb has taken the opportunity to incorporate all the latest technology whilst the renovations were taking place, making this effectively a brand new, state of the art home with every conceivable technology already built-in ready to be lived in for the first time since its complete renovation,” he added.

For further details of Kingthorpe House, contact Toby Cockroft at www.CroftResidential.co.uk on 01904 238222.

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