

Royal Lodge, Windsor



‘Charles & Andrew’s feud HAS DIVIDED THE FAMILY’

King Charles’s plan to evict his brother Andrew from his Royal Lodge Home could tear the family apart



Charles and Andrew as boys

It’s been a tumultuous year for King Charles, who has been getting back to royal duties following his cancer diagnosis. On top of his health battle, the monarch has also been navigating family rifts – with ongoing tension with younger brother Andrew now threatening to tear the older royals apart.

While the late Queen Elizabeth II always had a soft spot for her son Andrew, his relationship with Charles, 75, is thought to have had its ups and downs over the years. It was reported earlier this year that His Royal Highness has plans to evict Andrew, 64, from his 30-room Royal Lodge home.

The disgraced Duke of York has lived at the £29 million lodge located on the grounds of Windsor castle for over 20 years, having

signed an impressive 75-year lease agreement and paid £1 million. But after his ill-judged friendship with Jeffrey Epstein and sexual assault claims – which he has repeatedly denied – Andrew was stripped of royal duties and titles in 2021. Amid his fall from grace, he has found his lavish royal home in jeopardy.

While the Firm appears to be the epitome of strength, it seems there are troubles stirring behind closed doors. A royal insider shared, ‘Charles does look at the current state of his family with deep concern. Everyone, it seems, has issues, whether it be health, financial, legal. Not many of them are

getting on as well as he’d like.’ It’s no secret that King Charles has reportedly ‘distanced’ himself from his brother following the well-publicised scandal. Now, it seems the pair are still struggling to find common ground.

Despite the King’s wishes for his younger brother to relocate to Prince Harry and Meghan Markle’s former Frogmore Cottage home, Andrew is refusing to move out of his Royal Lodge mansion, which is said to be testing the monarch’s patience. King Charles is said to be at the end of his tether and has made it clear there are now only ‘two possible options’ for Andrew – to pay his own way or to

The brothers’ relationship has broken down



move into ‘more suitable accommodation.’

Boasting 30 rooms, a Chapel Lodge and six cottages, the Royal Lodge was the Queen Mother’s cherished home from 1936 until her passing in 2002. In 2003, the late Queen Elizabeth II granted Andrew the lease to the property, which entitles him to stay there for £250 a week. Since then, it’s been his primary residence – still living there with ex-wife Sarah Ferguson, 64, despite their divorce in 1996.

The King is keen to see his brother pack up and downsize, but Andrew is resisting pressure. While the modest Frogmore Cottage would be perfect for the

happily divorced pair, he seems determined to stay in Royal Lodge and is rumoured

to want daughters Eugenie, 34, and Beatrice, 36, to inherit the lease after his death.

Frogmore would be an ideal option for Andrew. The five-bedroom property has sat empty since 2023, when Prince Harry and Meghan Markle were asked to give up the cottage for good. The Sussexes’s former royal residence also boasts the added benefit of being situated in the Windsor Castle security cordon, meaning a relocation there could alleviate many of Andrew’s security worries.

However, neither Fergie nor

‘Frogmore would be ideal’

‘There is deep concern’



In easier times with Harry



Camilla and Charles on the palace balcony after William's wedding in 2011



At the Queen's funeral with Kate, George and Charlotte

he's always loved," he wrote.

Harry also recalled wondering whether his father's long-term mistress would be cruel to him "like all the wicked stepmothers in storybooks", while his older brother "long harboured suspicions about the Other Woman".

Painting a picture that is far from the close bond he spoke of in 2005, Harry wrote, "In a funny way, I even wanted Camilla to be happy. Maybe she'd be less dangerous if she was happy?"

And the Prince – who stepped down from his royal duties alongside wife Meghan Markle in 2020 – has taken his criticisms of Camilla much further than the pages of his book.

Speaking to CBS earlier this year, Harry accused Camilla of leaking stories about him to the British press as part of her campaign to "rehabilitate her image" – alleging that she left

"bodies in the street" to become Queen Consort.

Rebuilding her image

Prince Harry isn't the first person to accuse Camilla of taking drastic measures to improve her image. When Princess Diana died in a car crash in 1997, royal aides were swiftly tasked with rebuilding Camilla's tarnished reputation.

Slowly integrating Camilla into her public role, she and Charles' first appearance together came at Camilla's sister's birthday party

in 1999. By 2005, the once controversial pair were married – and she's now regarded as a key member of the royal family.

Despite Harry's claims, palace insiders have said Camilla's rise to power stems from a much more genuine place. A former senior royal aide previously told Reuters, "People simply have got to know her better, and they've liked what they've seen and heard. It is not an overt PR campaign to make her look good. It is her doing her job really well."

'She's perfect for Charles'

True Love

In a secretly recorded telephone conversation published in 1993, Camilla told Charles, "I'd suffer anything for you. That's the love. That's the strength of love."

And, indeed, their love has spanned decades – with many sources insisting the Queen Consort is a positive influence on the King. Speaking on *Piers Morgan Uncensored*, royal photographer Arthur Edwards shared, "Charles is much calmer about approaching things. He had a little bit of a sparky temper, but I've not seen that in a long while."

He added, "Camilla has never hogged the limelight. In fact, she is perfect for him."

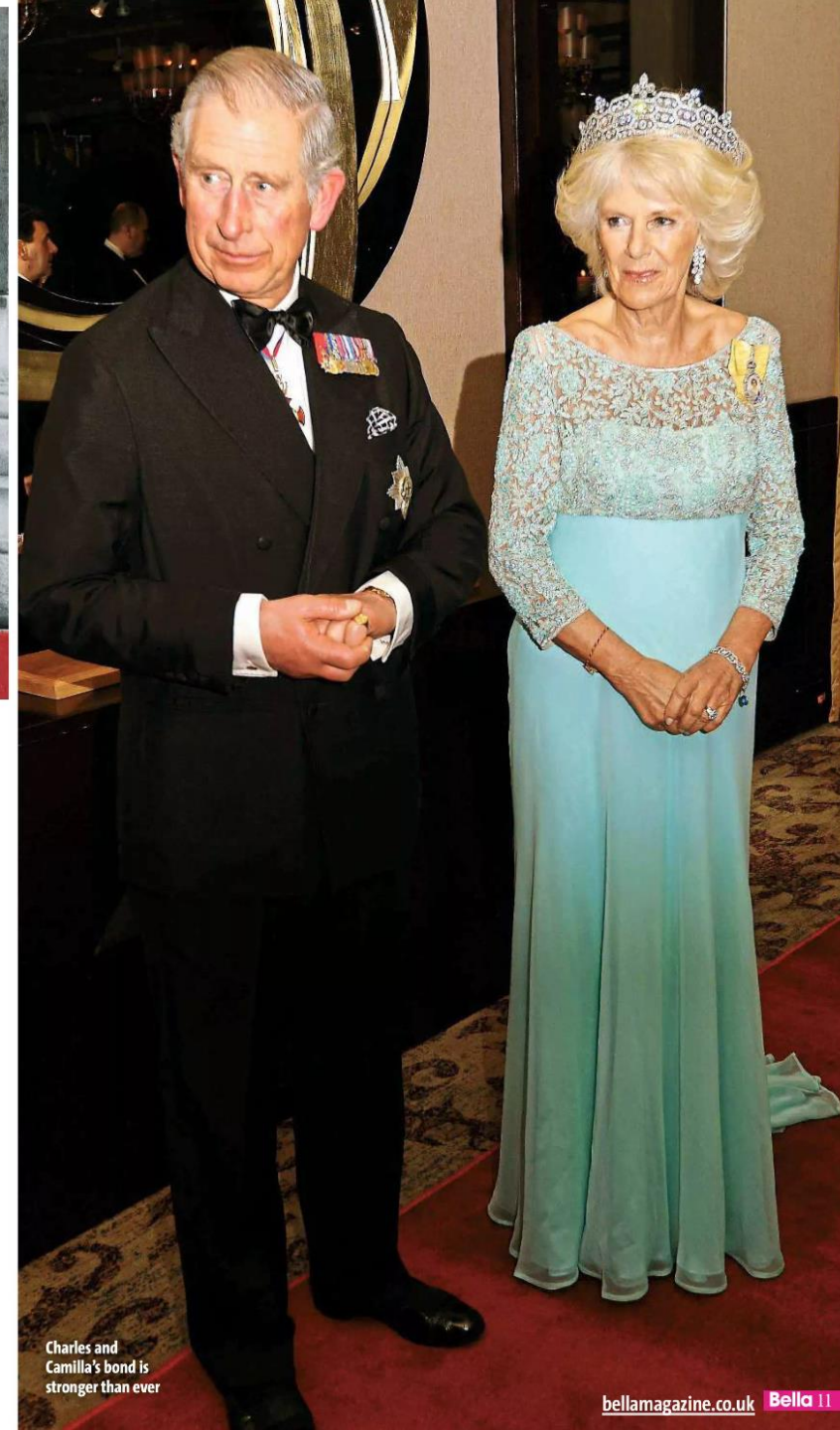
The royal couple's relationship is currently stronger than ever. Their happiness has been evident, with them joking their way through public appearances and putting on a united front as Charles tackles his new role as King – as well as handling the fallout with Harry and his

disgraced younger brother Prince Andrew, 63.

Talking about their private life to British *Vogue* last year, Camilla revealed, "We always sit down together and have a cup of tea and discuss the day." She continued, "The nicest thing is we actually sit and read our books in different corners of the room. It's very relaxing, because you know you don't have to make conversation. You just sit and be together."

And always his wife's biggest supporter, the King also gushed about Camilla in a rare 2015 interview with CNN. Reflecting on their marriage, he revealed, "It's marvellous to have somebody who you feel understands and wants to encourage – although she certainly pokes fun if I get too serious about things. All that helps."

So, while it hasn't been as easy a transformation from royal mistress to Queen Consort, Camilla has firmly cemented herself as a key figure in Britain's modern-day monarchy – with Charles saying, "She's been, I think, brilliant."



Charles and Camilla's bond is stronger than ever