HIGHER KINNERTON - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Higher Kinnerton is an affluent compact settlement with well-defined rural boundaries. The village benefits from a good range of services and facilities (school, local shop & pub). The settlement benefits from close proximity to both Chester and Broughton Retail Park in terms of accessing a wide variety of services and facilities as well as leisure facilities. Castell Alun secondary school is perhaps the closest Welsh secondary school.

	Settlement No. of Dwellings
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	550
2014 Housing Land Study	599

	Settlement Population		
2001 Census	1,627		
2011 Census	1,697		

Summary of Recorded Service Provision

The survey work was undertaken in November 2014 and has since been updated to take account of new information or feedback from Members / Town and Community Councils.

Education Facilities	
Pre-School /	Yes Ysgol
Nursery	Derwen
Provision	
Primary	Yes Ysgol
school	Derwen
Secondary	No
school	
College	No
Other	No
Education	
Facility	

Leisure & Recreation					
Facilities					
Indoor leisure	No				
centre /					
sports facility					
Swimming	No				
pool					
Formal	Yes, consisting				
outdoor	of outdoor				
sports facility	gym and				
	cricket net on				
	Main Road				
	Recreation				
	Ground				

Formal	Yes, Main			
outdoor play	Road			
facility /area	Recreation			
	Ground has			
	well equipped			
	play area and			
	smaller less			
	well equipped			
	play area at			
	Park Avenue			

Community & Health

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Community	Yes,			
centre / hall	Community			
	Hall, Main			
	Road Scouts			
	Hall, Main			
	Road			
Civic offices /	No			
facility				
Library	No, mobile			
	library at			
	community			
	centre a			
	maximum of			
	twice per			
	month on a			
	Thursday			
	2.15-4.00			
Hospital	No			
Doctors	No			
surgery				
Dentist	No			
surgery				
Pharmacy	No			
Place of	Yes, All Saints			
worship	Church Main			
	Road			

Retail & Commercial Related					
Supermarket	No				
Non-food retail units	No				
Convenience shop	Yes, Premier Shop				
Other shops	No				
Café / Take away	No				
Bank/Building Society	No				
Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint	No				
Public house / club / restaurant	Yes, the Royal Oak, & the Swan				
Post office	Yes, limited to 3 hours a week on a Monday via pop up provision at the Village Hall				

Post box	Yes
Petrol Filling Station	No

Employment

Employment	Old School
	Offices, Main
	Road, Vacant

Transport

No
Yes
Service runs
from
Caergwrle and
Broughton
Park every 2
hours on
week days
No
Yes, Easy
access to A55

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Higher Kinnerton post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 4.5-7.5 megabytes per second at an average of 6mbps. Accordingly it is to be expected that broadband provision in Higher Kinnerton is poor and is constrained. This is likely to have a negative effect on the ability of local residents seeking to access online services such as banking, post office services or online shopping.

Other Comments

None.

Previous Surveys of Service Provision

Comparison of previous survey data of Higher Kinnerton service provision with 2015 it would appear that there has been little change in service provision with the village.

Year of Survey	Public House	General Shop	PFS and Shop	Post Office	Cashpoint	Health / Medical Facility	Community Centre & or other Building	Educational Facility
2000 (UDP Survey)	2	1	-	1	na	1	2	1
2006 (Student Survey)	2	1	-	1	na	1	2	1
2010 (Pub is the Hub Survey)	2	1	-	1	-	-	1	1

Mapping Service Provision

The service provision within the village has been mapped for illustrative purposes and is presented overleaf. As the image suggests service provision in Higher Kinnerton is very limited.

Please note the post office has closed

