

## NORTHOP HALL - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

### Settlement Commentary

Northop Hall is a large village which is situated close to Connah’s Quay. The built form of Northop Hall is clear with definable edges. The village enjoys an attractive rural setting and benefits from a good range of services and facilities. To the south of the village on the A55 is a service station with hotel, petrol filling station, fast food restaurant and shop however access is likely to be restricted to car users. Within Connah’s Quay at Ffordd Llanarth there is a large supermarket and associated shops.

	<b>Settlement No. of Dwellings</b>
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	650
2014 Housing Land Study	658

	<b>Settlement Population</b>
2001 Census	1,661
2011 Census	1,530

### 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 / Nursery Provision	Yes, Parent & Toddler Group and Northop Hall Primary School, Northop Hall Playgroup
Primary school	Yes, Northop Hall Primary School
Secondary school	No

College	No
Other Education Facility	Yes, between 2 to 6 childminders

#### Leisure & Recreation Facilities

Indoor leisure centre / sports facility	No
Swimming pool	No

Formal outdoor sports facility	Yes, 3.3 Cricket & Hockey Club, Tennis Courts, Bowling Green, Girls Football Club, Basketball at Llys Ben
Formal outdoor play facility /area	Yes, 1.88 Children’s play area near school Llys Ben and at St Mary’s Park

**Community & Health**

Community centre / hall	Yes, Llys Ben
Civic offices / facility	No
Library	Mobile every 3rd Tuesday at the Boars Head
Hospital	No
Doctors surgery	No
Dentist surgery	No
Pharmacy	No
Place of worship	"Yes, Northop Hall Methodist Church, English Presbyterian Church & St Marys Church

**Retail & Commercial Related**

Supermarket	No
Non-food retail units	No
Convenience shop	Yes, Premier Hillside Stores with Paypoint
Other shops	No

Café / Take away	Yes, Burgerking then OK Diner, Subway & McDonalds on opposite side of A55 Expressway
Bank/Building Society	No
Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint	No, Unless situated in the shop or pub for instance
Public house / club / restaurant	Yes, Boars Head & 5 hotels with restaurant facilities – Plas Ifan, Highfield, Northop Hall Country House, Travelodge & Holiday Inn
Post office	No, Currently door off and scaffolding up
Post box	Yes, Outside former PO & red telephone call box opposite St Mary's Church
Petrol Filling Station	On the A55. One Eastbound and one Westbound currently under refurbishment inc cash point

**Employment**

Employment	Highfield Hall and Northop Country Hotel
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**Transport**

Rail station	No
Bus station / stop	Yes, 4 Bus stops – one at Cricket ground plus one at either end of the village & one in centre
Bus service frequency	Yes, Every 2 hours to Mold. 1 a day to Chester. 2 a day to Wrexham / 8 GHA service Mold to Sealand Manor 5 times a day Mon- Sat / 110 Town Lynx service Aston to Mold once a day Mon to Fri / 9 GHA service Mold to Chester limited service / X9 GHA Mold to Qferry twice a day with further service on Sat and school hol

Cycle route	No
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Access to main highway network	Yes, Access directly onto A55 Expressway
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## Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Northop Hall post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 1.5-30+ mega bytes per second with most postcodes at an average of 2.5mbps. This level of broadband provision is very poor and many residents are likely to be unable to access broadband at all. However encouragingly those 10 postcodes that have 30+mbps could be indicative of investment into the village to enhance broadband access Accordingly it is to be expected that broadband provision in Northop Hall whilst somewhat mixed is generally very poor and constrained. This will 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

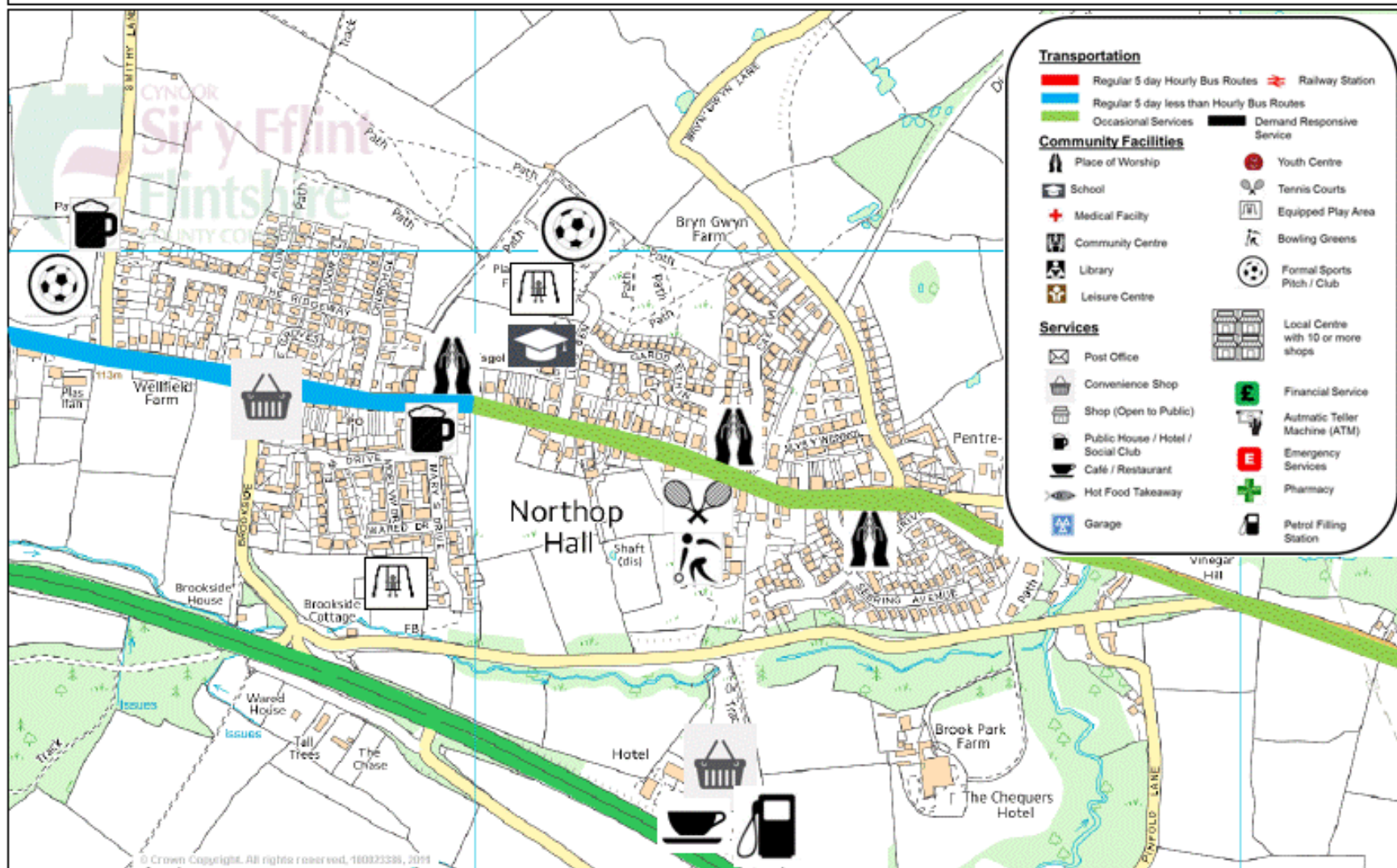
Comparison of previous survey data of Northop Hall service provision with 2015 indicates that the post office has been lost since 2010. However this may have been incorporated into an existing service such as the pub or the local shop.

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)	-	1	-	1	na	-	1	-
2006 (Student Survey)	2	1	-	1	na	-	-	1
2010 (Pub is the Hub Survey)	2	1	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 Northop Hall is reasonable.

### Northop Hall Service Provision



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