

NORTHOP - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Northop is a medium to large sized village strategically located on the A55 between Mold and Flint. The village has good definable edges and the built form is attractive and benefits from a Conservation Area. The village has a reasonable – good range of service provision and benefits from the relative close proximity of the College located outside of the village on the old A55. Over the years there has been a significant amount of residential development in Northop on brownfield sites these sites included two petrol filling stations which had fallen out of use.

	Settlement No. of Dwellings
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	365
2014 Housing Land Study	445

	Settlement Population
2001 Census	974
2011 Census	1,001

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, Little Peoples Day Nursery and Ysgol Owen Jones
Primary school	Yes, Ysgol Owen Jones
Secondary school	No

College	"Yes, Coleg Cambria inc animal care centre. Glyndwr University on the same campus.
Other Education Facility	No,

Indoor leisure centre / sports facility	No
Swimming pool	No
Formal outdoor sports facility	Yes, Cricket Club Golf course at Northop Country Park. Active Bowls Club

Leisure & Recreation Facilities

Formal outdoor play facility /area	Yes, 2 Children’s Play Areas Ffordd Owen & Badgers Court and at Foxes Field
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Community & Health

Community centre / hall	"Yes, Edith Bankes Memorial Hall & the Band Hall on ‘The Triangle’
Civic offices / facility	No
Library	Mobile every 3rd Tuesday, Ffordd Glyndwr
Hospital	No
Doctors surgery	No
Dentist surgery	No
Pharmacy	No
Place of worship	Yes 2 St Peters Parish Church & United Reformed Church

Retail & Commercial Related

Supermarket	No
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Non-food retail units	Yes, Nic Eastwood Antiques, Karen Lesley Bridal Emporium MOT Garage at the village centre
Convenience shop	Yes, In PO building
Other shops	Yes, Hairdressers (Unisex) Cat Photography, Church Road
Café / Take away	No
Bank/Building Society	No
Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint	No,
Public house / club / restaurant	Yes, The Boot Inn, High Street, The Red Lion & The Celtic Arms at Northop Country Park
Post office	Yes, High Street
Post box	Yes, Outside PO, High Street and at the Country Park.
Petrol Filling Station	No

Employment

Employment	Yes, the college provides local employment. Crime Prevention Services, the Golf Course E.N.I. Offices shops, garage and pubs
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Transport

Rail station	No Nearest is at Flint
Bus station / stop	Yes, 4 stops – 2 Northop Road, (village centre and Cricket Pitch) Holywell Road & Connahs Quay Road

Bus service frequency	<p>Yes, Buses at least hourly to Mold, Flint, Holywell and Wrexham. 3 a day to Chester</p> <p>Main Buses on a daily basis:- No's 8, 9 and X9, 7 to 8 buses to and from Mold daily. No 28/28A , 14 buses to and from Flint No28A 4 buses to and from Wrexham and No28X, 7 buses to and from Holywell No 11A, 2 buses to and from Chester.</p>
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Cycle route	yes On the road from the Red Lion Pub to the A55 roundabout and other off road / minor road routes around the village.
Access to main highway network	Yes, Situated immediately off the A55 Expressway

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Northop post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 6.1-8.1 mega bytes per second. Accordingly it is to be expected that broadband provision in Northop is generally 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

There is a Youth Club and A Young Farmers Club. Although included in the survey, Crime Prevention Services, the Golf Course, ENI offices and Cambria College /Glyndwr University are all outside the settlement boundary for Northop but are in close proximity to the village.

Previous Surveys of Service Provision

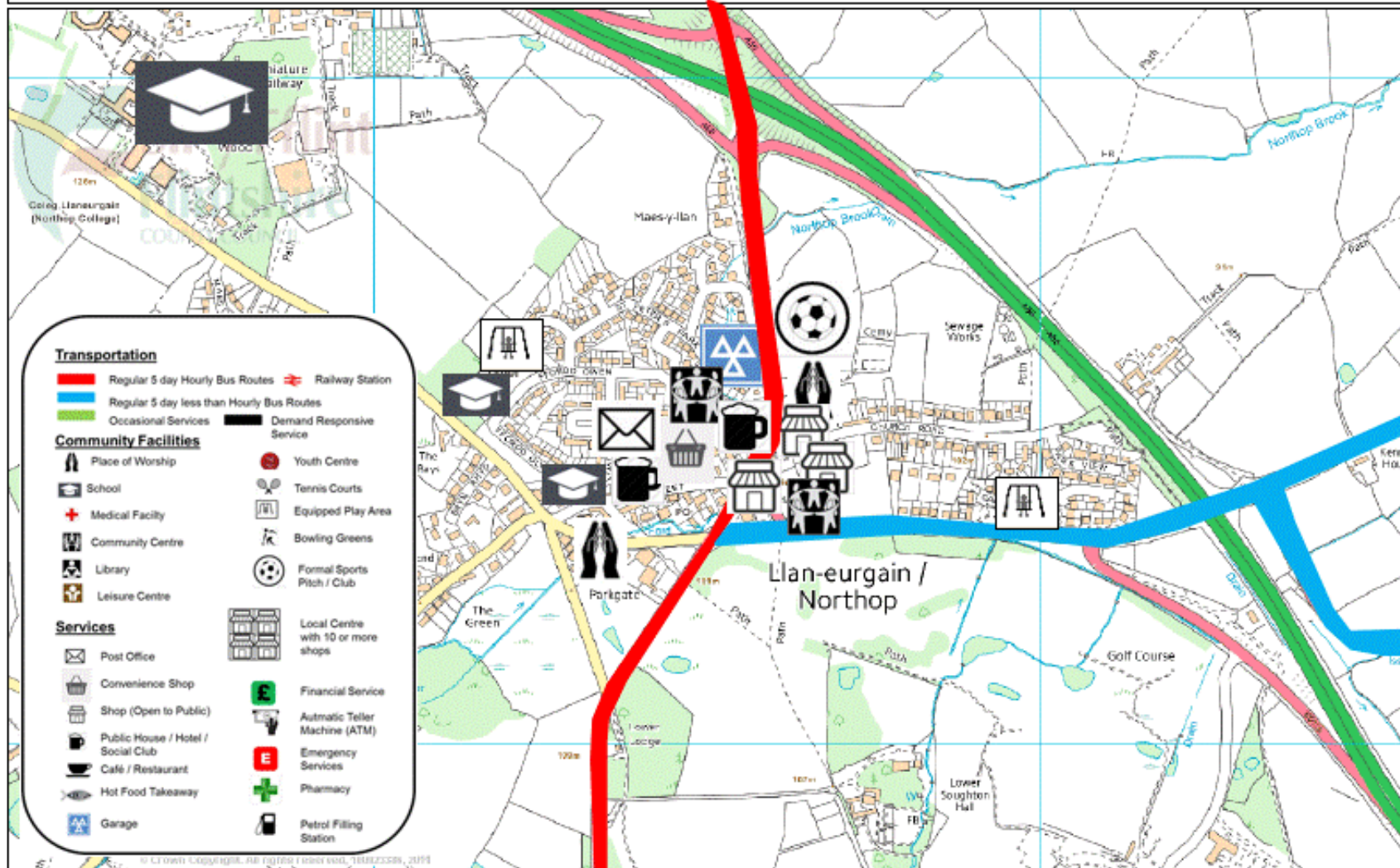
Comparison of previous survey data of Northop service provision with 2015 indicates that two petrol filling stations have been lost since 2010.

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	1	1
2006 (Student Survey)	1	1	-	1	na	-	1	2
2010 (Pub is the Hub Survey)	2	-	2	1	-	-	1	2

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 is reasonable to good.

Northop Service Provision



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