

PENTRE - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Pentre forms part of the wider Deeside area and coalesces with Sandycroft to the east. The residential element of the settlement mainly lies to the south of Chester Road, with industrial and commercial land and buildings to the north. There is no post office in Pentre but there are alternatives nearby in Mancot, Sandycroft and Queensferry. The close proximity of nearby settlements and services results in Pentre having access to a wide range of convenient services, albeit outside of Pentre, e.g. it is an 800 metre walk to Asda in Queensferry.

| | Settlement No. of Dwellings |
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| 2000 UDP Baseline Figure | 220 |
| 2014 Housing Land Study | 226 |

| | Settlement Population |
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| 2001 Census | 295 |
| 2011 Census | 424 |

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

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| Pre-School / Nursery Provision | No |
| Primary school | No |
| Secondary school | No |
| College | No |
| Other Education Facility | No |

Leisure & Recreation Facilities

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| Indoor leisure centre / sports facility | Yes – The Boardroom Climbing Centre |
| Swimming pool | No |
| Formal outdoor sports facility | No |
| Formal outdoor play facility /area | No |

Community & Health

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| Community centre / hall | No |
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| Civic offices / facility | No |
| Library | No |
| Hospital | No |
| Doctors surgery | No |
| Dentist surgery | No |
| Pharmacy | No |
| Place of worship | No |

Retail & Commercial Related

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| Supermarket | No |
| Non-food retail units | No |
| Convenience shop | Yes, the Co-Operative Food shop. |
| Other shops | Yes, Hairdresser - Alicia's Cutting Image. |
| Café / Take away | Yes, 'The Key Fish & Chip shop' and 'Kim's Sandwich Shop'. |
| Bank/Building Society | No |
| Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint | Yes, located at the Co-Operative Food shop. |
| Public house / club / restaurant | Yes, Mechanics Arms PH and McLeans Pub. |
| Post office | No |
| Post box | Yes, there is a post box near the junction of Mancot Lane and the B5129 Chester Road and there is a post box outside the Co-Operative Food shop. |
| Petrol Filling Station | No |

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| Employment | Yes, large employment area to the north east of the main residential area, (Principal Employment Area in the UDP). Existing employers within Pentre at Queensferry Industrial Estate and the Pentre Industrial Estate which may provide job opportunities. |
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Transport

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| Rail station | No |
| Bus station / stop | Yes, there were 3 bus stops recorded. Two on Mancot Lane and one on Chester Road, to the east of the Co-Op. |

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| Bus service frequency | Yes, the Sandycroft to Mold service (no. 99) operates on school days leaving in the morning and return from Mold in the afternoon. The Holywell to Chester service (11A) serves Pentre during Sundays and Bank Holidays (every hour). The no. 12 service runs through Penre during weekdays. |
| Cycle route | Yes, Sustrans indicates that as part of the National Cycle Network there is a traffic free route alongside the B5129 in Pentre. |
| Access to main highway network | Yes, to the west access can be gained to the A494 via the B5129. To the east access can be gained to the A55 by travelling past Airbus and then through Broughton. |

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Pentre post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 4.1 - 12.2 mega-bytes per second. Broadband provision within Pentre is considered to be poor to below average. This will have an adverse effect on the ability of businesses and local residents seeking to operate a business or in accessing online services such as banking, post office services or online shopping.

Other Comments

None.

Previous Surveys of Service Provision

In 2000 Pentre was assessed as part of the Unitary Development Plan's preparation. The survey identified that Pentre had some facility provision. Comparing the 2000 situation with 2015 it appears that Pentre's service provision has remained largely the same.

Mapping Service Provision

Some of the service provision has been mapped for illustrative purposes and is presented overleaf. As the image suggests service provision in Pentre is reasonable however service provision in and adjoining nearby settlements, for example Mancot and Queensferry, make a significant contribution to improving residents access to services.

Pentre Service Provision

