

TALACRE - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Talacre is located in the most northern point of the County. It is set alongside a network of sand dunes and a large popular beach to the north of the Chester to Holyhead railway line. The surrounding coastal environment is home to an RSPB nature reserve and is a Ramsar site, SAC and SSSI. Talacre is a popular holiday destination and recreational area characterised by the presence of large holiday caravan parks and an extensive beach which are adjacent to it. During world War two Talacre was used by the military as an aircraft firing range. The Wales Coastal Path (worlds first national coastal path) runs through Talacre. The village is small but the surrounding tourism areas increase the population albeit on a seasonal basis this also means that the village benefits from additional shops and services.

	Settlement No. of Dwellings
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	280
2014 Housing Land Study	288

	Settlement Population
2001 Census	145
2011 Census	152

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	No
Primary school	No
Secondary school	No
College	No
Other Education Facility	No

Leisure & Recreation Facilities

Indoor leisure centre / sports facility	No
Swimming pool	No
Formal outdoor sports facility	No

Formal outdoor play facility /area	No formal play area but there is a playing field.
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Community & Health

Community centre / hall	Community centre at Gamfa Wen
Civic offices / facility	No

Library	Mobile Library Service, Every 3 weeks near amusements. Monday 9.30 – 10.30
Hospital	No
Doctors surgery	No
Dentist surgery	No
Pharmacy	No
Place of worship	No

Retail & Commercial Related

Supermarket	No
Non-food retail units	Yes, Kals Cash and Carry and garden Centre
Convenience shop	Yes, Part of Talacre Beach complex
Other shops	Yes, Ice cream parlour. Sweets /novelty gift shop. Unisex hair salon

Café / Take away	Yes, “Smugglers” café. Clwyd Bakery (pies and cakes) Fish and Chips shop
Bank/Building Society	No
Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint	No
Public house / club / restaurant	Yes, Lighthouse Inn & Smugglers Inn adjacent to Station Road
Post office	Yes, Station Road
Post box	Yes
Petrol Filling Station	No

Employment

Employment	Yes, Local opportunities in several caravan parks. Also Granary Court industrial/commercial units located just to the south of the settlement
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Transport

Rail station	No
Bus station / stop	Yes
Bus service frequency	Yes, Service No 18 – 4 buses per day to Prestatyn 2 to Rhyl 4 to Holywell 2 to Flint (Mon – Fri) 3 buses per day to Flint Holywell and Rhyl (Saturdays)
Cycle route	Yes, Wales Coastal Path
Access to main highway network	Yes, A Class C road leads to the A 548 some 2km to the south

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Talacre post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 0.9-1.1 mega-bytes per second however many postcodes have no data available. This is a very poor level of broadband provision and it is likely that many residents will struggle to gain broadband access here. This very poor level of broadband provision will adversely impact the ability of local residents and businesses alike whether in day to day

business activities or for accessing online services such as banking, post office services or online shopping.

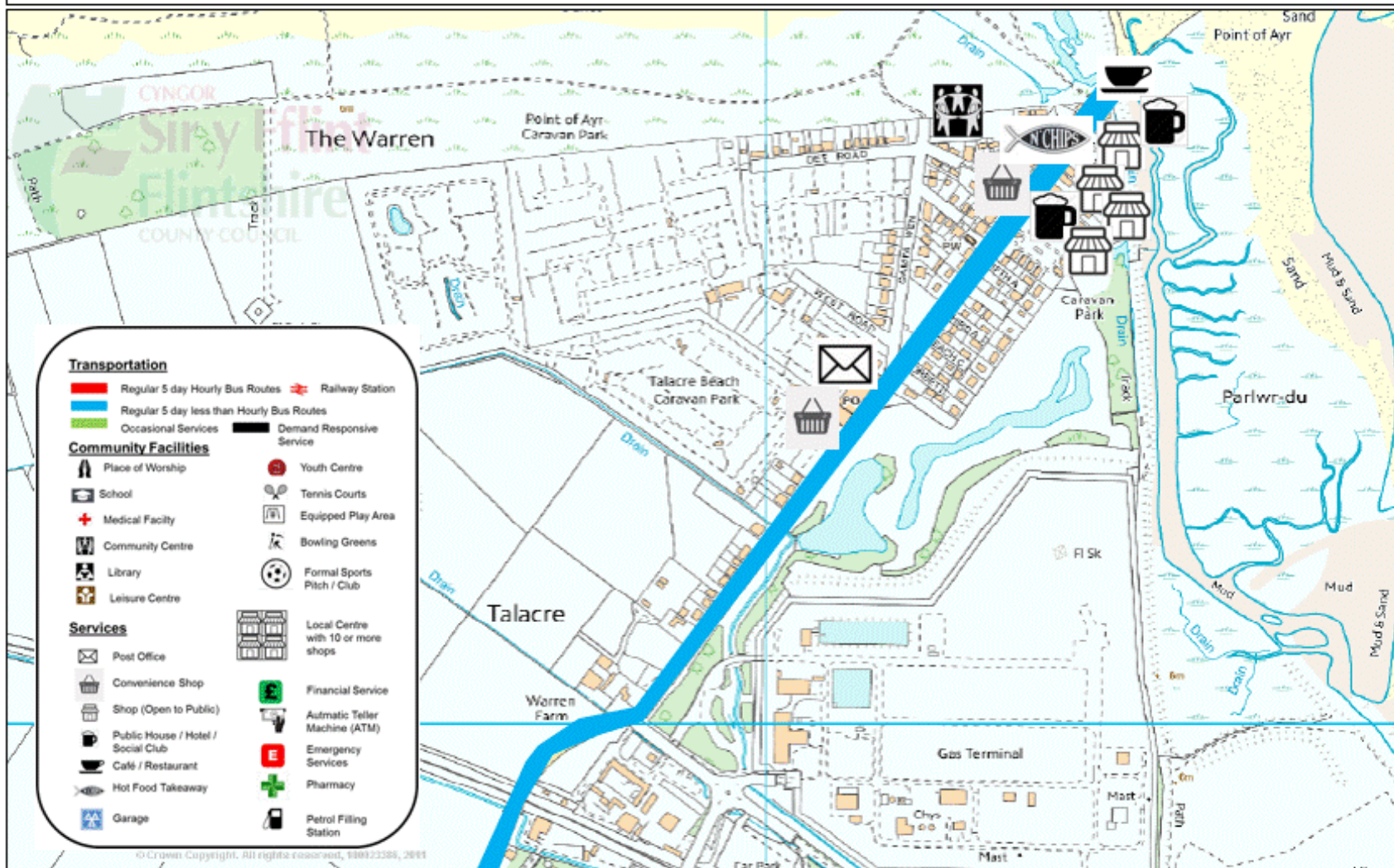
Other Comments

None.

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 Talacre is relatively good given the village's very small size.

Talacre Service Provision



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