# **GREENFIELD - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT**

## Settlement Commentary

Greenfield is located close to Holywell and has developed historically from the industrialisation of the Greenfield Valley. The B5121 runs the length of Greenfield Valley connecting Greenfield and Holywell. This area is semi-urban in character with a loose and sometimes fragmented built pattern of development running along its length. Greenfield benefits from services and facilities primarily along the B5121 but also in nearby Holywell Town Centre which includes supermarkets, banks, a range of shops, library, leisure centre and several other facilities. The Greenfield Valley is also home to a 2km linear heritage park which attracts thousands of visitors each year between the months of March and October and is a valuable local community asset for the residents of Holywell and Greenfield. Greenfield benefits from lying near key coastal employment areas such as Greenfield Business Park and Holywell Town Centre. Regular bus services also mean that other coastal employment areas and towns are conveniently accessed from Greenfield (eg Flint).

	Settlement No. of Dwellings
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	945
2014 Housing Land Study	990

	Settlement Population		
2001 Census	2,731		
2011 Census	2,741		

# 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		College	No	Swimming pool	No
Pre-School /	Yes, Ysgol Maes	Other	No	Formal	Yes, Bowling
Nursery	Glas	Education		outdoor	Green
Provision		Facility		sports facility	
Primary	Yes, Ysgol Maes				·
school	Glas	Leisure & Recreation Facilities			
		Indoor leisure	No		
Secondary	No	centre /			
school		sports facility			

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Formal	Yes, 4 No	Other shops	Yes, Betting Shop	Rail station	No
outdoor play	equipped		(closed October		
facility /area	children's		2014)/ Hair	Bus station /	Yes
	playgrounds. 2 No		Salon/Veterinary	stop	
	playing fields 1 of		Surgery, Model	Bus service	Service Nos
	which is a grassed		Shop, Coast Rd,	frequency	11,11F 11G &11M
	5 a side pitch		Furniture shop,		<ul> <li>31 buses a day</li> </ul>
			Bryn Cleyn		to Holywell 30 to
Community & Health		Café / Take	Vac Vallov Fich		Rhyl (Mon – Sat) 8
-		-	Yes, Valley Fish		to Holywell 7 to
Community	Yes, Youth and	away	and Chip shop.		Rhyl (Sundays) /
centre / hall	Community centre		Green Pea café in		Service No 18 – 2
	at School Lane		heritage park.		buses a day to
Civic offices /	Νο		Savoy eat in or		Rhyl 5 to
facility			take away		, Prestatyn 6 to
Library	Mobile Library	Bank/Building	No		, Holywell (Mon –
	Service, Every 3	Society			Fri) 3 per day to
	weeks at Cairnton	Free Standing	No		Rhyl 4 to Holywell
	Crescent and	of a Bank -			7 Flint /
	Church Close.	Cashpoint			(Saturdays)
	Thursday 1.40 -	Public house	Yes, The Packet		Service X18 – 6
	2.30	/ club /	House		buses a day to
	2.30	restaurant	liouse		Flint and Mold
Hospital	No	Post office	Yes		(Mon – Sat)
					Service No 23 – 3
Doctors	No	Post box	Yes		buses a day to
surgery					Holywell hospital /
Dentist	No	Petrol Filling	No		Service T1 – 11
surgery		Station			buses a day to
Pharmacy	Yes				Holywell and
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					Chester (Mon –
Place of	Yes, Holy Trinity	Employment	Yes, Several		Sat)
worship	Church off	Employment	opportunities		Satj
	Basingwerk		available on the	Cycle route	No
	Avenue		Greenfield	-	
	Avenue		Business Park and	Access to	Yes, Northern end
			at the Greenfield	main highway	
Retail & Commercial Related			Business Centre.	network	A548 and A5026 is
Supermarket	No		W Hall & Sons is a		1km to the south
			long established		at Holywell
Non-food	No		soft drinks works.		,
retail units			Key employers		
Convenience	Yes, 2 No		include Kingspan		
shop	convenience		and Westbridge		
	stores one each		Furniture		
	side of Greenfield				
	Road	Transport			

## **Broadband Provision**

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Greenfield post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 1.8 – 8.4 mega-bytes per second with the slowest speeds near Rayon Road with the remainder of Greenfield having from an average of 5 mbps. Accordingly it is to be expected that broadband provision in Greenfield is poor. Poor broadband provision will adversely affect the ability of businesses to operate successfully in a modern economy and will adversely impact the ability of residents to access online services and facilities including banking, post office services and shopping.

#### **Other Comments**

Holywell Town Centre is very close and the settlement benefits from Greenfield Valley Heritage Park and the Wales Coastal Path.

### Previous Surveys of Service Provision

There is scant available information regarding previous surveys of Greenfield service provision beyond the local centre. Comparing previous information with the 2015 service it is clear that Greenfield has lost a school over the last 15 years and has lost the Coed Mawr market outside of the settlement on the Coast road as well as a number of other facilities including doctors surgery, health clinic, church, petrol filling station, garage and public house.

#### Mapping Service Provision

Greenfield service provision is good and the relative close proximity of Holywell further enhances provision to the benefit of local residents.

