

Blore With Swinscoe, Ilam and Wetton Parishes Statement (Draft)



ILAM



WETTON



Blore and Swinscoe parish consists of two settlements, Blore and Swinscoe and a few scattered farmsteads. Blore is within the national park boundary and Swinscoe is outside. The area is popular with tourists and has a mix of self catering (including Blore Hall), campsites, B & B and chalets. The area has a shooting range and is on a direct route to Alton Towers.

Ilam is characterised by an early 19th century Gothic style hall with parkland and an alpine-style model estate village, designed by Jesse Watts Russell. An estate is known to have been present at Ilam since the beginning of the 11th century when a Benedictine Abbey of Burton on Trent was sited there. Over the centuries there have been various buildings to denote this and the current hall is a much reduced version of what was, having been largely demolished in the 1930s and then saved by Sir Robert MacDougall who bequeathed it to the National Trust on condition that it was run as a youth hostel.

Ilam has traditionally been a farming community with limestone quarrying nearby and industries associated with the woodlands, e.g. charcoal. Nowadays it is a largely residential settlement.

Ilam attracts large number of tourists each year to visit the hall and walk along the Manifold and Dovedale valleys.

Ilam straddles the White Peak and the Derbyshire Peak Fringe character areas lying on the riverside meadows of the Derbyshire Peak Fringe and the limestone dales and village farmlands of the White Peak as described in the Peak District Landscape Characteristic Assessment (LSAP 2009).

Wetton is a small farming community located approximately 3 miles northwest of Ilam, on the limestone plateau. There is archaeological evidence that the settlement was larger in previous centuries and the lack of recent development has preserved this.

Wetton is located within the limestone village farmlands of the White Peak character area as described in the Peak District Landscape Characteristic Assessment (LSAP 2009).



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Community aspirations and issues

Blore with Swinscoe

Public footpaths present issues with stock grazing and safety of both walkers and of stock. While very welcoming of walkers, farmers would like it to be easier to divert and fence footpaths if they feel that animals and walkers would not make a good mix. Recent stories of cows trampling walkers have made some walkers frightened to cross fields with cows in and farmers are equally concerned about liability if a problem does arise. Walkers often try to find their own diversions which can produce worse problems.

The A52 through Swinscoe is fast and busy with heavy quarry wagons as well as holiday traffic. Drivers do not respect the speed limits and despite requests to the county council, further traffic calming measures have not been supported.

The buses to Leek and Ashbourne are a real lifeline. However there are felt to be not enough and none run on Sunday. The community bus no longer offers concessionary fares (pensioners/disabled) which is a disadvantage.

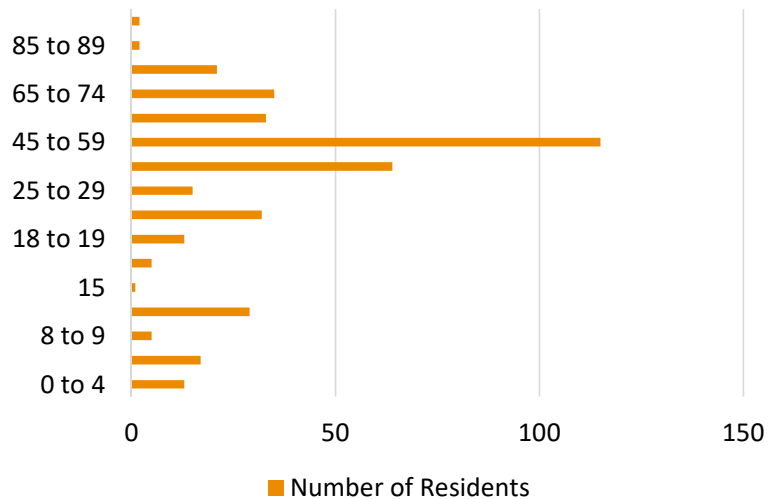


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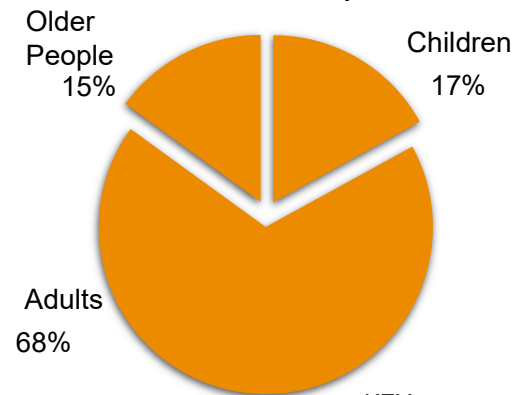


Population and Demographics

Population Age Range

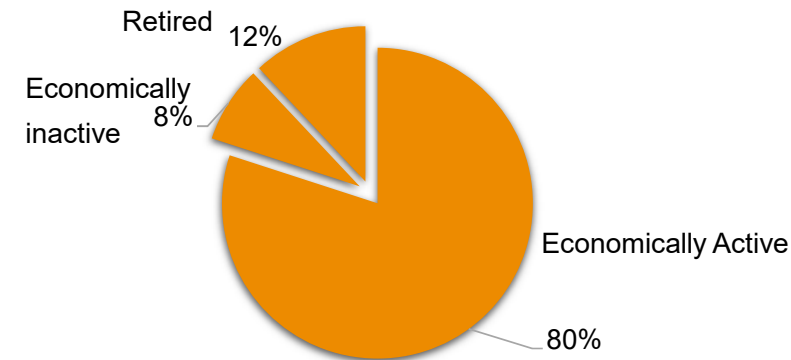


Children, Adults and Older People



KEY
Children 0-17 years
Adults 18-64 years
Older People 65 years +

Working and Non Working Adult Population (18+ years)



Source: Census 2011

Blore with Swinscoe, Ilam and Wetton parishes have a combined population of 402 residents (2011 census).



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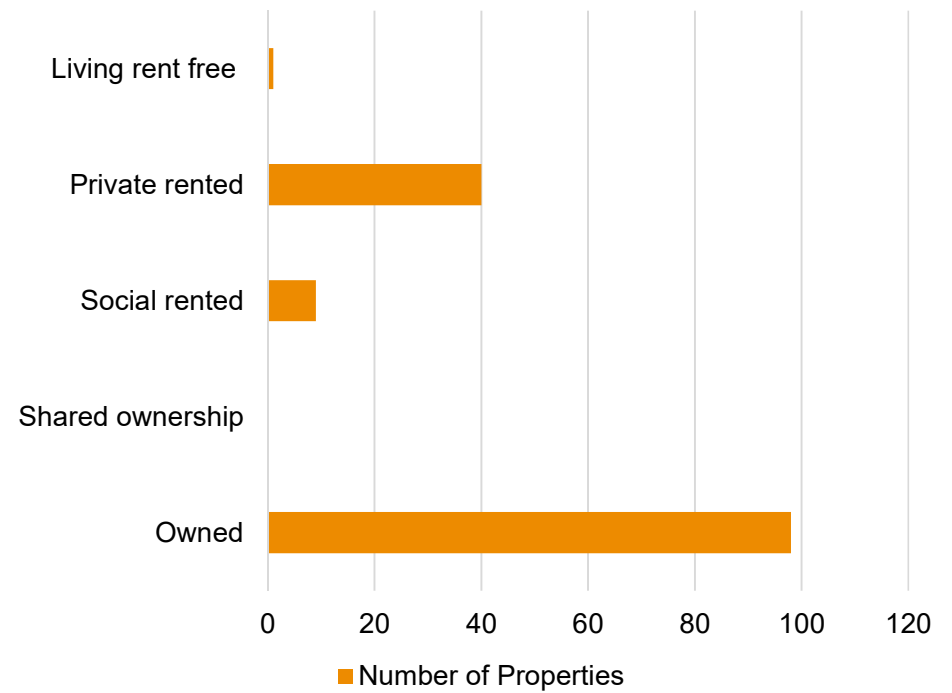


Housing

Housing Type



Housing Tenure



Source: Census 2011



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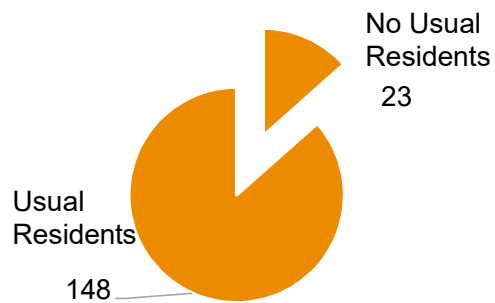


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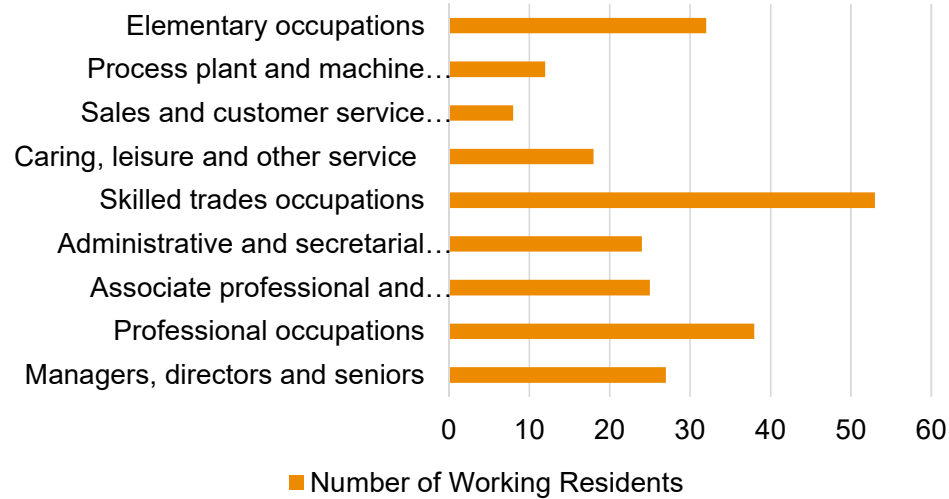
Employment

Car/ Van Ownership

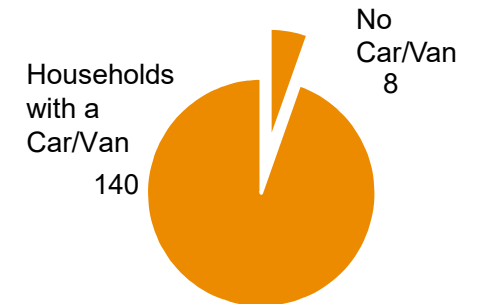
Occupancy of Properties



Occupations of Working Adults



Households with a Car/Van



Source: Census 2011



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Settlement Amenities

Settlement	Convenience Food Shop	Post Office	Primary School	Community Hall	Playground	Playing Field	Industrial Units	Distance to General Practice (miles)	Within 1 Mile of an A or B Road	Good Public Transport Route (5+ services a day)	Public House	Post Box	Church	Mobile Library	Conservation Area	Website /Newsletter	Groups	Events/Traditions	Accommodation
Blore with Swinscoe				★				2.3	★		★	★	★						
Ilam			★		★	★	★	5.3	★			★	★	★	★	★	★		★
Wetton				★	★	★		3.4	★		★	★	★		★	★	★	★	★

Key
 ★ Is present
 | Is not present



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Public Transport

Blore with Swinscoe & Ilam	Route	Bus Company	Days	Frequency
Derbyshire Connect	Pre booked demand responsive service for the area.	Ashbourne Little Bus	Mon-Sat	Mon—Fri btwn 07:00-19:00 Sat btwn 08:00-19:00
Moorlands Connect	Pre booked demand responsive service for the area..	Ashbourne Community Transport	Mon-Fri	Btwn 08:00-16:00
108 (Swinscoe)	Ashbourne—Leek	Aimees	Mon-Sat	Mon-Fri btwn 07:55-18:45, 6 services a day. Sat 07:55, 12:38, 17:20

Wetton	Route	Bus Company	Days	Frequency
Moorlands Connect	Pre booked demand responsive service for the area..	Ashbourne Community Transport	Mon-Fri	Btwn 08:00-16:00

Source:
<https://www.derbybus.info/times/timetables/>



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Community

Blore with Swinscoe

General	Upholstery, Bingo, Parish meetings, Limestone Way Ramblers
Events/ Traditions	Dovedale Dash

Ilam

General	Art Club Cross Country	Bell Ringers Nordic Walking	Book Club Pilates
Events/ Traditions	Dovedale Sheepdog Trails Dovedale Fete Dovedale Dash Harvest Supper Manifold Valley Show Events through the year at the National Trust Ilam estate.		

Wetton

General	
Events/ Traditions	Dovedale Dash

Planning

Over the last 5 years, 3 planning applications have been approved in Blore with Swinscoe parish (within the national park boundary), 14 in Ilam and 11 in Wetton..

Digital Presence

<http://www.ilam.org.uk/>

<http://wetton-pc.org/>

No digital presence for Blore with Swinscoe.

Affordable Housing

There are no proposals for affordable houses in the area at present.



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Blore Services



Swinscoe Services



Key

- A1 Shops
- A2 Financial and Professional Services
- A3 Restaurants and Cafes
- A4 Drinking Establishments
- A5 Hot Food Takeaways
- B1 Business
- B2 General Industrial
- B8 Storage or Distribution
- C1 Hotels
- C2 Residential Institutions
- C2A Secure Residential Institution
- C3 Dwellinghouses
- C4 Houses in Multiple Occupation
- D1 Non-Residential Institutions
- D2 Assembly and Leisure
- Camp Site
- Allotments
- Playground
- Playing Field
- Public Car Park
- Sui Generis
- Bus Stop
- Notice Board
- Post Box
- Telephone Box
- Cash Point
- Public Toilets
- Defibrillator



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Ilam Services



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Wetton Services



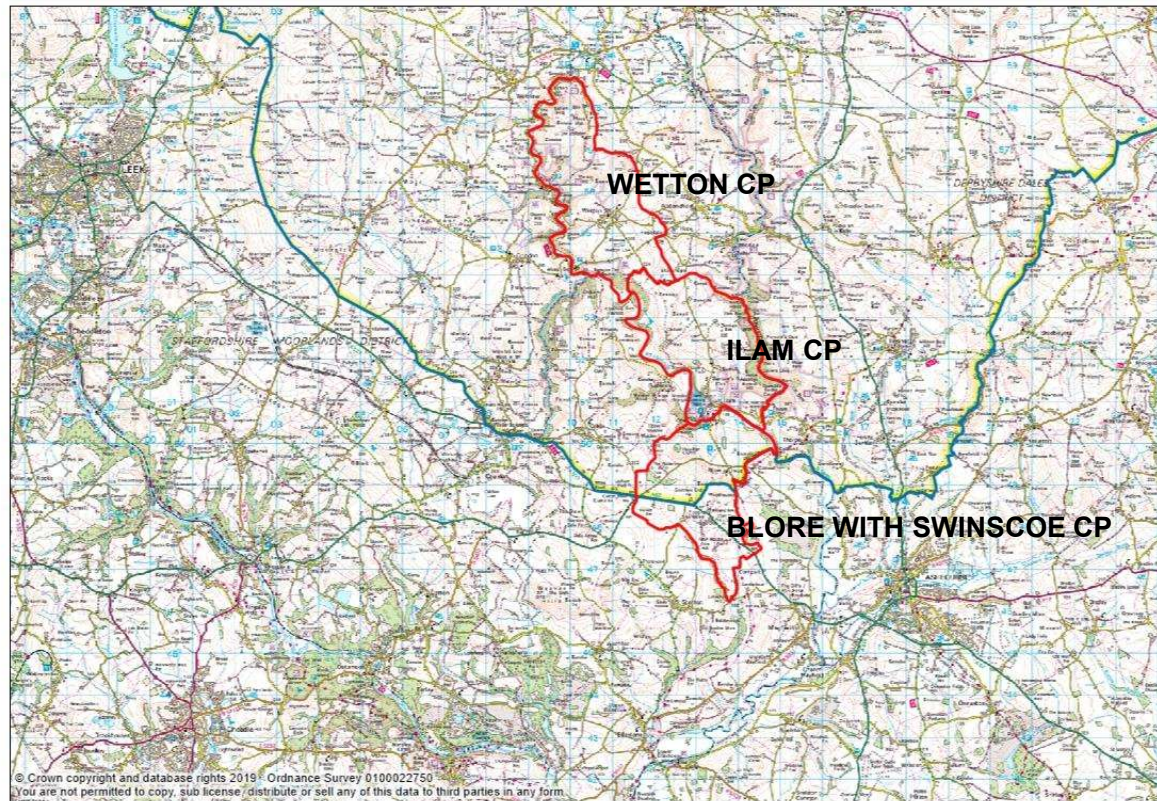
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Blore with Swinscoe, Ilam and Wetton Parish Boundaries





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Data sources

Ordnance survey maps

Peak District National Park Conservation Area Appraisal

Peak District National Park Landscape Strategy Action Plan (LSAP)

<https://www.derbybus.info/times/timetables/>

<http://www.ilam.org.uk/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/Service-Search/GP/LocationSearch/4>

<https://www.nomisweb.co.uk>

<http://wetton-pc.org/>