

Hollinsclough Parish Statement (draft)



Towards a thriving and sustainable community

The built environment; residential and services – street furniture



The landscape – a diverse working and cherished resource for the community and visitors

The social and economic well-being of the parish, its needs and aspirations

Source: Hollinsclough PC response

The parish of Hollinsclough is one of widely distributed farms with clusters of dwellings throughout. In what is considered to be the centre of the parish lies what is known as the 'village' and this contains most of the services. In addition, there are hamlets at Coatestown, at Tenterhill, on Redfern Lane and Dun Cow's Grove Lane. Most of the lanes extending outwards from the village have properties strung along them too. Staffordshire Moorlands District Council's electoral register in 2018-19 showed a total of 139 properties.

With such a scattering of small communities, BRINGING THE WHOLE COMMUNITY TOGETHER to achieve a COHESIVE WHOLE is one of the parish council's key aspirations in generating a sense of care, protection and pride in common.

To this end, a training workshop was organised in 2019 in relation to the village's defibrillator and in 2020 it is intended that a rural crime workshop should be organised. In each case a subsidiary aim was/is to be updated on the community's aspirations, concerns, perceived needs and wants.

Much of the village of Hollinsclough was designated a conservation area in 1996. It contains a number of Grade II listed buildings.

The village has a primary school known as Hollinsclough CofE Academy (ages 3-11). A chapel and chapel hall (Methodist), a post box (Victorian), a now disused telephone box, noticeboards and informal seating.



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The chapel (dates from 1801 and is of historic interest with its close association with John Lomas – Pack man) provides an outreach service to the community in the sense that its chapel hall can be hired for parish activities. It is used by a monthly history live group which attracts people from several miles around. It is used periodically by the local school and it is used by The Moorland Brunch Bunch (luncheon group) as one of its venues as it moves about the northern reaches of the Staffordshire Moorlands.

The Methodist chapel has special services at Easter, Christmas and Harvest, often accompanied by refreshments and the Hollinsclough Silver Band. Sunday services are run on a fortnightly basis alternating with Earl Sterndale.

The Academy Primary School is recognised as the home of Flexi- Schooling and is one of a small but growing number of such schools. The school's annual fete with its fell race is a very popular event and runners from a very wide area take part.

The school plans to develop some educational signage in the village; geographical, historical, geological and scientific and is hoping to achieve some funding to do this.

The recently purchased telephone box, once refurbished, can be used to display some of the school's environmental interpretations.



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The closest convenience stores are at Flash and Longnor, each approximately 2 miles away in different directions. Many residents are registered with the G.P practice at Hartington. Children go on in the main to secondary schools in Leek, Buxton and Bakewell and these town too serve as local shopping centres. A mobile library visits the village on a weekly basis.

A landscape and parish area for everyone, welcoming and safe.

The landscape continues to be farmed for animal husbandry – cattle and sheep in the main. It is a stunningly beautiful landscape lived in by a very strong, traditional farming community with a very strong sense of family and kinship nurtured by generations.

From a geological perspective, the landscape tells a story of thousands of years dating from the Carboniferous period of geological time. Chrome Hill and Park House Hill were described and explained in A.H. Green's famous book of Physical Geology in 1882.

From a visitor's perspective there is a range of holiday accommodation; holiday cottages, and a small glamping site. Walkers, photographers, cyclists, motor cyclists (the Edinburgh Trial is an annual and historic event), Duke of Edinburgh Award groups and motorists looking for a relaxing place to park and to sit out in the fresh air are all able to enjoy the special qualities of the environment. Local guide books are often a tool in promoting such enjoyment.



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During the summer months the Methodist chapel is open on a Sunday to provide refreshments and access to conveniences (for a small donation) for passers by and is very popular with visitors.

The parish council/former local action group provided grass-crete along a section of 'The New Road' which is well used and they hope to provide a little more.

In an effort to conserve the national beauty and structure of its cultural heritage in terms of pack horse routes which radiate from the village as Limer and Swan Rakes, SCC has placed a closure order for all pedestrians, vehicles and horses from March 2017 extended to February 2020 with a further 18 months requested. The former pack horse routes have been severely damaged by 4x4 leisure vehicles and off roader motorcycles. Sadly they are too dangerous to use even by walkers at the present time. The lanes of the parish do not have a large carrying capacity and many are deemed to be unsuitable for motor vehicles and have weight restrictions in them. With the introduction of Sat Nav a number of very unsuitable vehicles have found their way into the village. The most recent of these was, we believe, a 9-12 double decked vehicle car transport which finding itself in the centre of the village, manoeuvred over the village green carving out deep trenches and then drove in a Grade II listed cottage boundary curved wall, dismantling a section of dressed stone and a gate post. This wall has probably never been disturbed since Victorian times.



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The parish council feels a very strong responsibility for the social and economic well-being of the parish. It wants to encourage (and enable through the planning process where relevant) more people to stay in the parish especially young people. It is most concerned that the local ancillary fire service based at Longnor has fewer fire officers and that more are needed. The sustainability of the fire service is of great importance to local people. Similarly, the number of First Responders, we believe, is dwindling and the service they provide is felt to be threatened. A strong local community is a heart felt desire of many. To this end, the parish council would like to see more 'dual' planning applications where holiday lets could be combined with longer term residential starter home opportunities as these are identified.

Services such as the First Responders and the Ancillary Fire Service rely on a strong locally based community. An extract from an article in the parish magazine (October 2019) supports this view in relation to wintery weather,

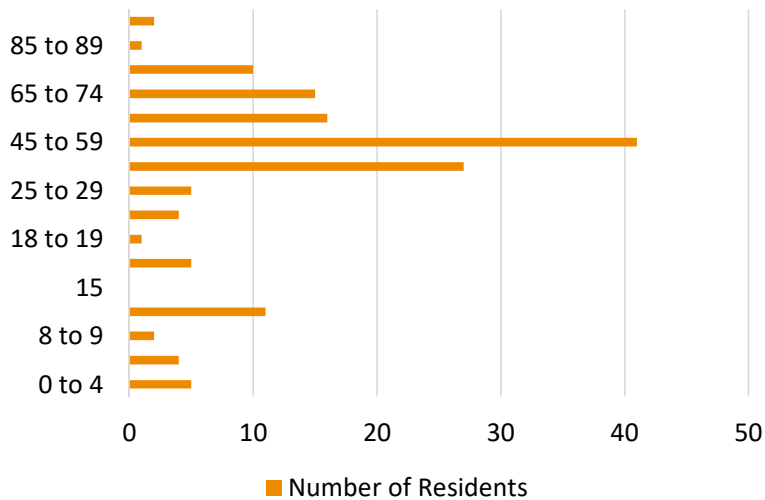
'With the change in weather, and winter rapidly approaching I think its worth mentioning that behind every group of responders there is a small but equally vital group of people who support them. This is why I need your help. I am after people to volunteer to help us during the bad weather. We need people with tractors or 4 wheel drive type vehicles who are prepared to come to our aid should we get stuck.'

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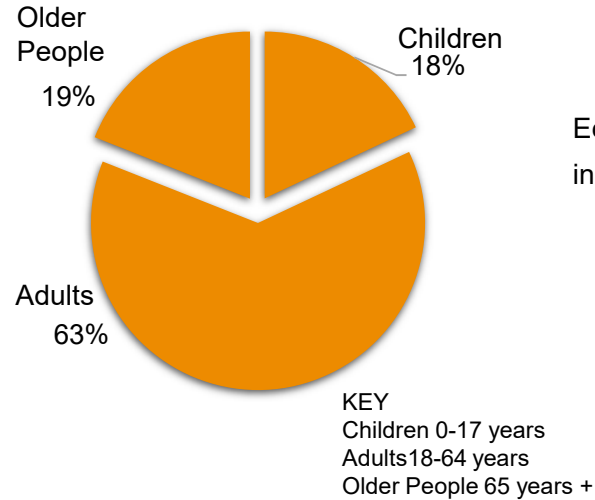


Population and Demographics

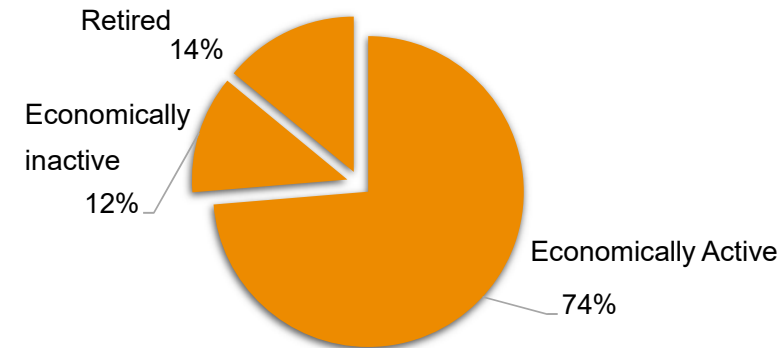
Population Age Range



Children, Adults and Older People



Working and Non Working Adult Population (18+ years)



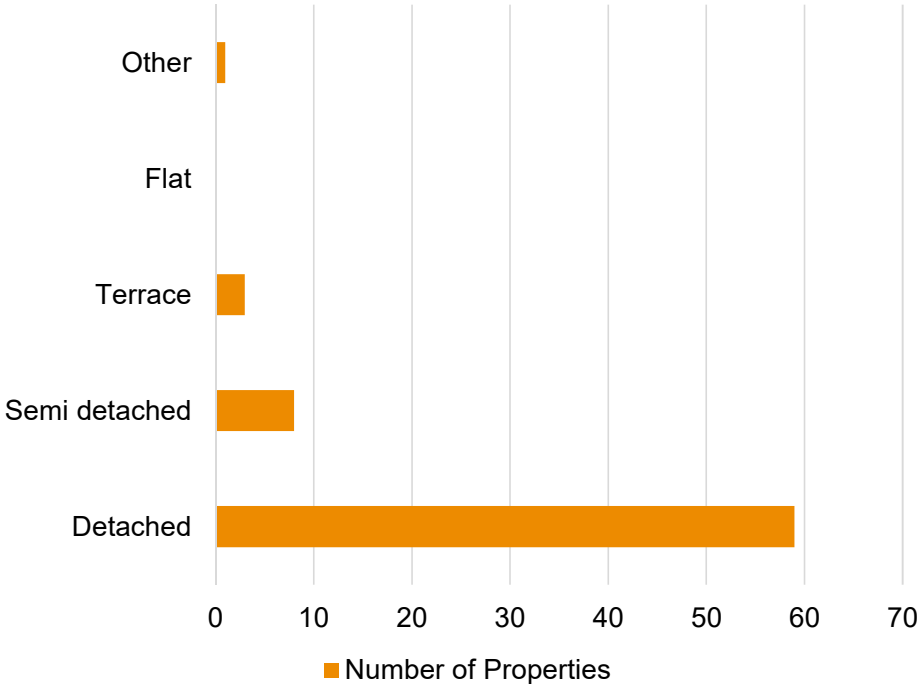
Source: Census 2011

The parish of Hollinsclough has a population of 149 residents (2011 census).



Housing

Housing Type



Housing Tenure

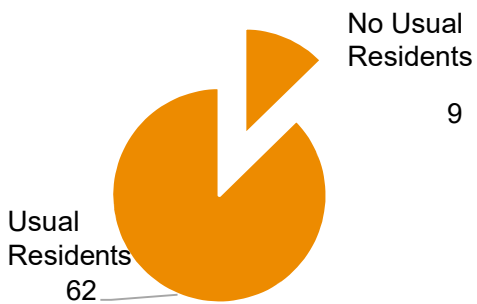


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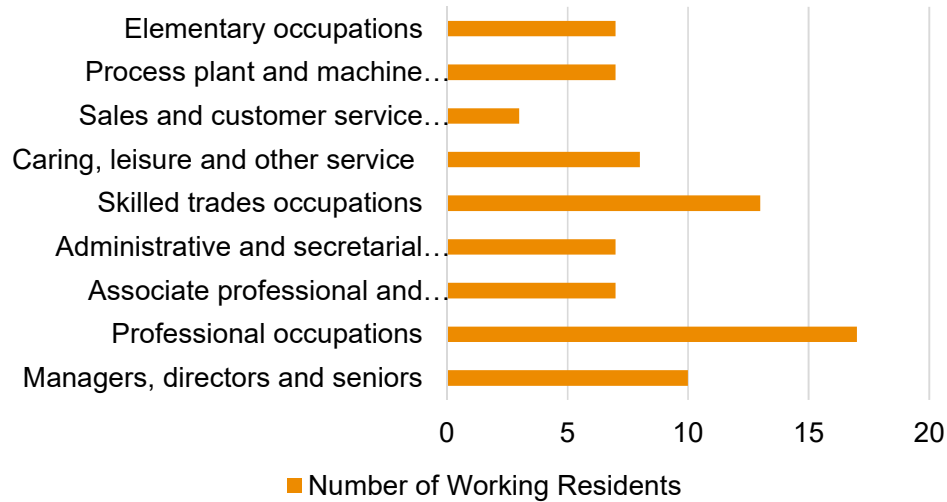
Residency

Occupancy of Properties



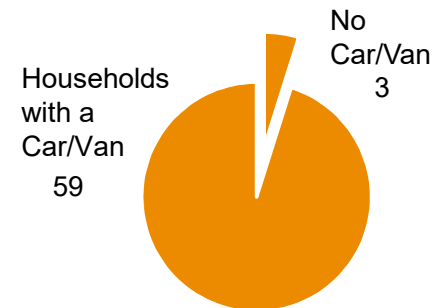
Employment

Occupations of Working Adults



Car/ Van Ownership

Households with a Car/Van





Settlement Amenities

Accommodation	★
Events/Traditions	★
Groups	★
Website/Newslatter	★
Conservation Area	★
Mobile Library	—
Church	★
Post Box	★
Public House	—
Good Public Transport Route (5+ services a day)	—
Within 1 Mile of an A or B Road	★
Distance to General Practice (miles)	3.1
Industrial Units	—
Playing Field	—
Playground	—
Community Hall	★
Primary School	★
Post Office*	★
Convenience Food Shop	—

Key
 ★ Is present
 — Is not present

*Limited postal services available at the primary school.



Public Transport

Hollinsclough	Route	Bus Company	Days	Frequency
Moorlands Connect	Southwest area of the National Park	Ashbourne Community Transport	Mon-Fri	Demand responsive btwn 07:00-16:00

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

Community

General	Local history group The Moorland Brunch Bunch Methodist church services Seasonal refreshments available at the Methodist hall
Events/ Traditions	Community events at the Methodist hall School summer fete and fell race

Source: Parish Council

Planning

Over the last 5 years 11 planning applications have been approved in Hollinsclough parish.

Digital Presence

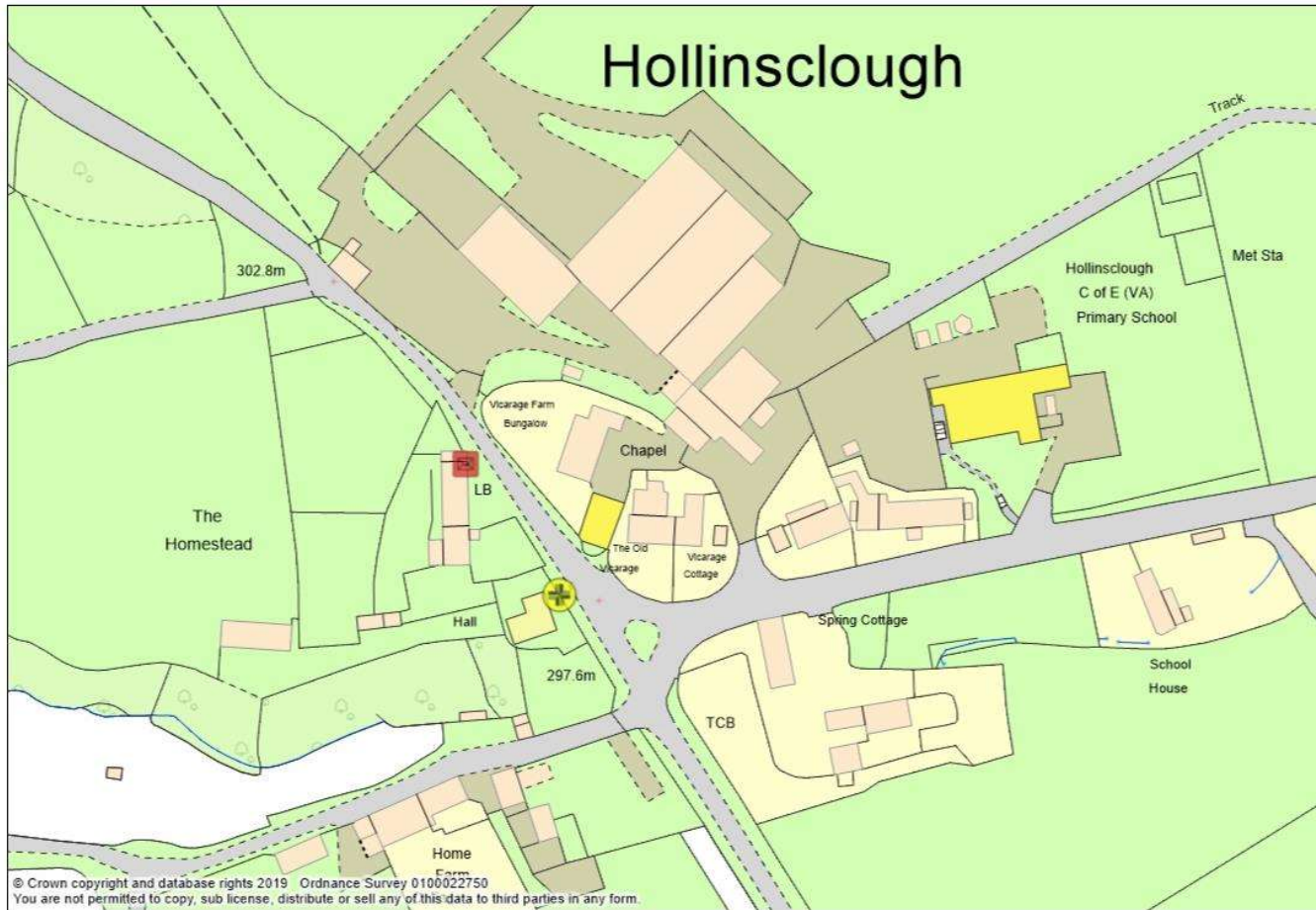
<https://hollinsclough.staffs.sch.uk/village-office-parish-council/>

Affordable Housing

There are no plans to build affordable housing in the parish at present.



Hollinsclough 'village' and its Services

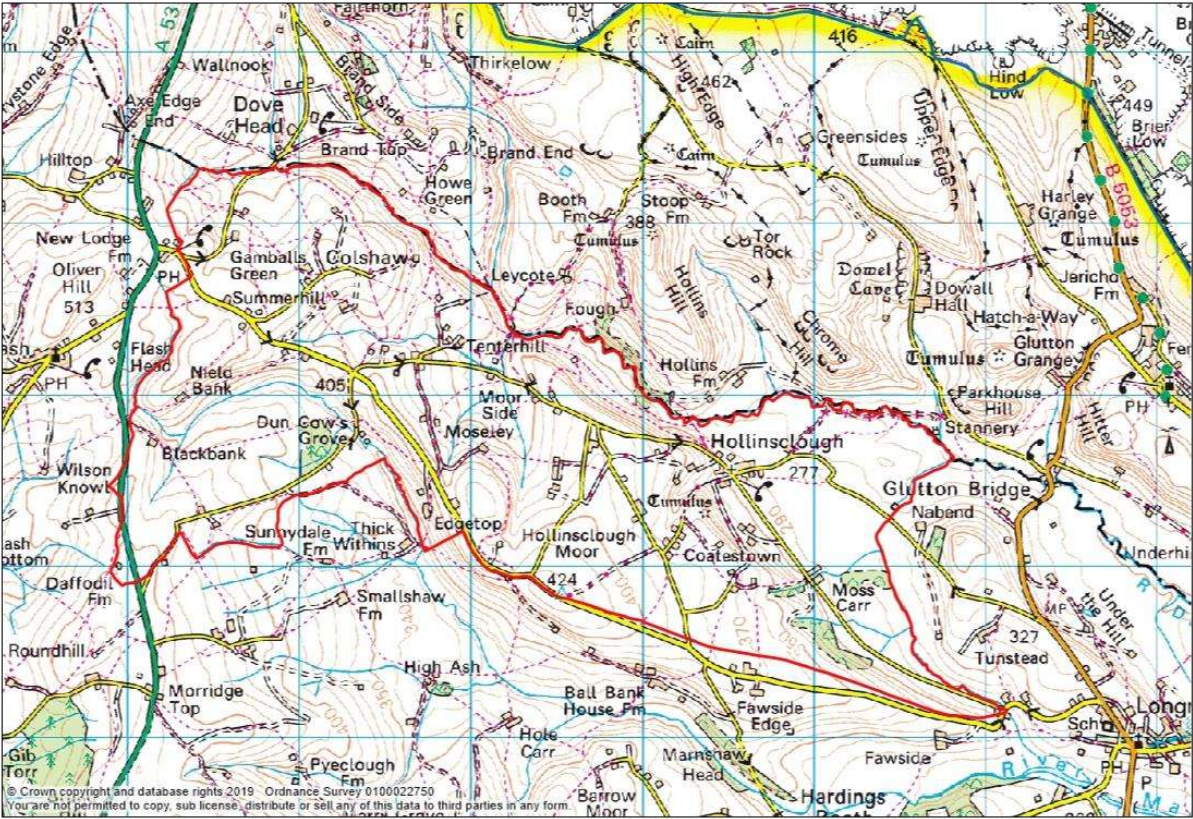


Key

- 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



Hollinsclough Parish Boundary



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Data sources

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Ordnance survey maps

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

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

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