

## Winster Parish Statement (draft)



Evidence of prehistoric settlement in Winster comes from two Iron Age burials accidentally discovered in 1856 in the garden of a house (now called The Manor), and from a burial mound excavated in 1868 on the hillside overlooking the village.

The earliest written reference to Winster is in The Domesday Book of 1086, which gives the name as *Winsterne*, meaning possibly 'Wine's Thorn Tree'. In medieval times the nucleus of the village was probably where it is now, with shared open fields to the west, north and east, some of which can still be seen in the traces of ridge and furrow that once marked them out. The area of open common and waste to the south of the parish (towards Grangemill) was enclosed by a parliamentary act of 1763. A separate act of 1809 enclosed Bank Pasture (the slopes above Winster).



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These enclosures established the patchwork of fields, but the walls often had to cut across the hummocks and ditches left by lead mining, which was the most important industry in the Winster area since Roman times. The lead deposits that were easiest to mine were up in the limestone rock on the south side, and this is probably why the village was built on a north-facing slope. In time shafts were also sunk into the shale and sandstone on the other (lower) side, but the workings had to be deeper, so flooding was always a problem. Long drainage soughs (tunnels) were dug down the length of the valley to the River Derwent, and in some places the water had to be pumped out by steam engines. Mining boomed in the eighteenth century and for a while Winster was one of the most important and populous towns in Derbyshire. But eventually, as the workings went still deeper and water proved to be more of a problem, lead mining became uneconomical, and the last nearby mine at Mill Close ceased working in 1939. Some of the old mines had fanciful names, such as Lickpenny, Lucky-the-Lane and Horsebuttocks, and many of the old shafts can still be seen in the fields round about, capped with stones or concrete slabs.

Winster has about seventy listed buildings. The greatest concentration is along Main Street, where the close-packed eighteenth-century frontages reflect the mining boom of the time. Prominent among them is Winster Hall, built about 1700, and the Market House, of about the same date and now owned by the National Trust. The close-packed small cottages that once belonged to the old mining families extend up the bank, linked by the web of gennels and alleyways that are a distinctive feature of Winster.



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The church is at the west end of the village. It has an eighteenth-century tower but the rest was rebuilt in Victorian times. The primary school is at the east end of Winster and was built in 1866. New housing was built near the school, mostly in the 1950s and 1960s.

Bank House on West Bank is the site of a famous murder. In 1821 the village doctor, William Cuddie, was courting the daughter of the influential Brittlebank family. The young lady's family objected and a quarrel ensued between Cuddie and her brothers, which eventually led to a duel, which was illegal at that date. In the course of the duel Cuddie received a fatal wound, so the brothers and their helpers were arrested to be tried for murder. But William Brittlebank, who had fired the shot, jumped bail and escaped abroad, never to be seen again. In the absence of the ringleader, the others were acquitted. This caused an outcry among the villagers, for Cuddie had been very popular whereas the Brittlebanks were widely disliked.

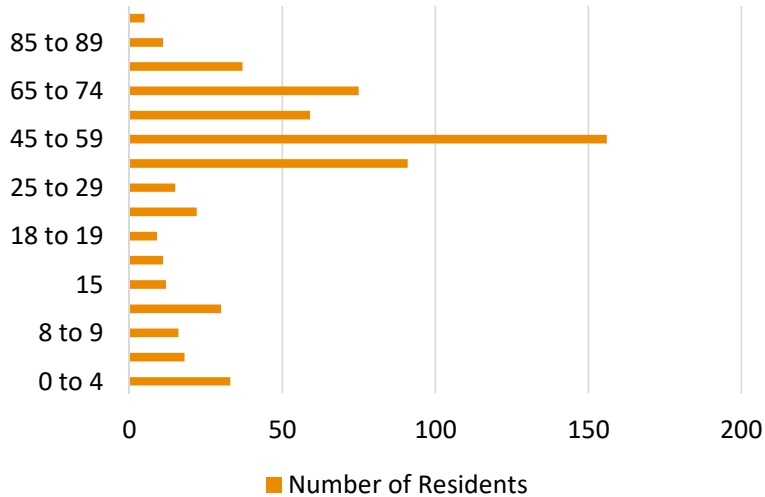
Many interesting stories about the village, based on recordings of people's memories, have been gathered into a book (see the list below). There is also a Village Map, which contains a great deal of historical information. There is also a booklet of six circular walks around Winster, the first of which guides the walker through the streets and gennels. These items are available in Winster's community-owned Village Shop.

*Wording taken from <https://www.winsterparishcouncil.gov.uk/brief-history.html> with kind permission of Geoff Lester*

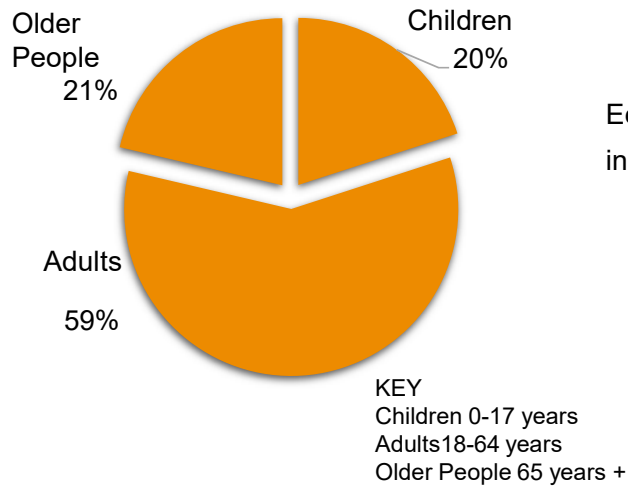


# Population and Demographics

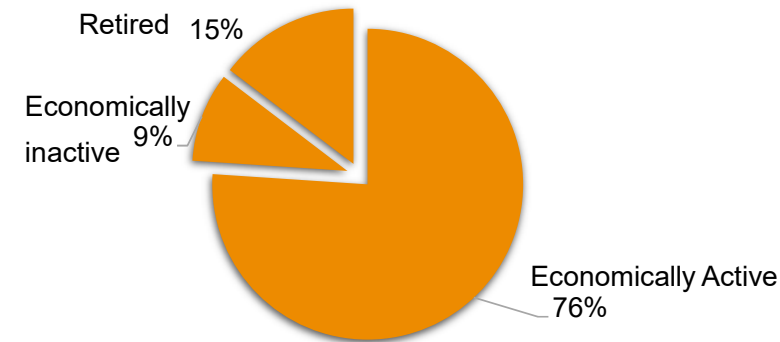
### Population Age Range



### Children, Adults and Older People



### Working and Non Working Adult Population (18+ years)



Source: Census 2011

The parish has a population of 600 residents (2011 census).

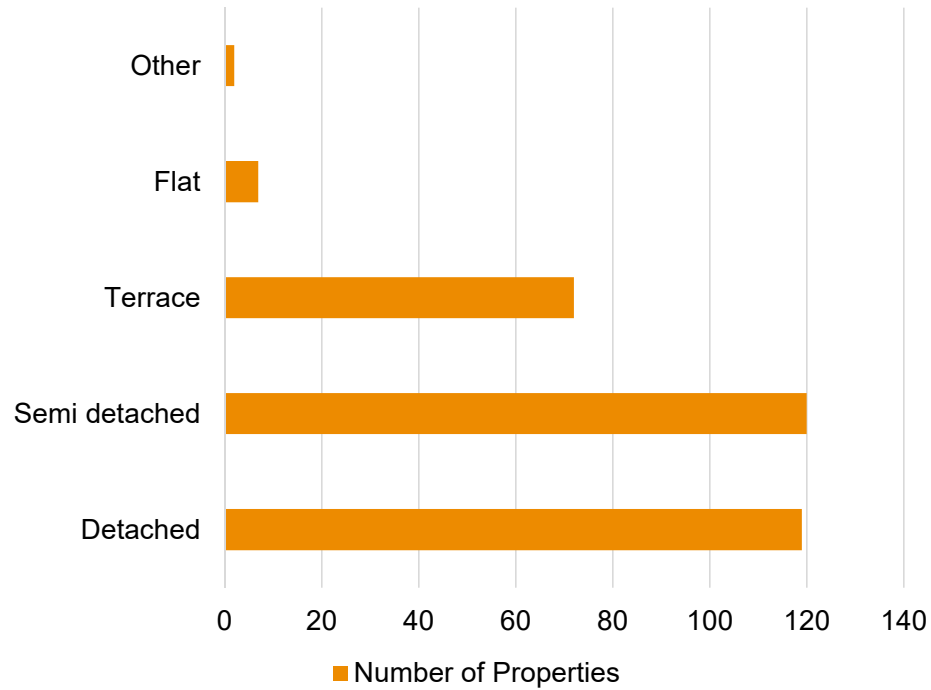


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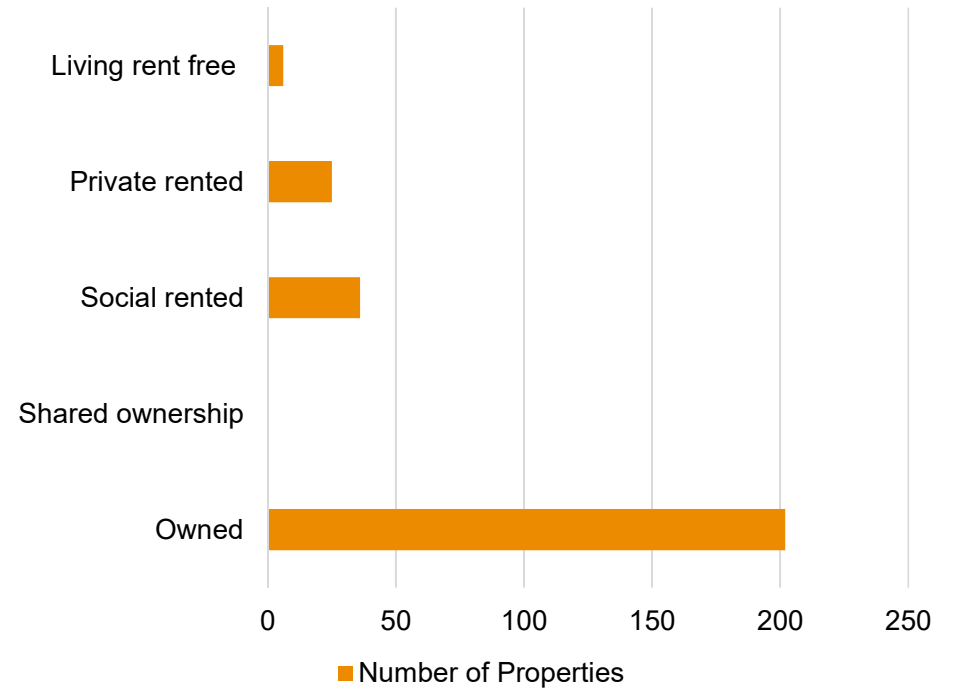


# Housing

## Housing Type



## Housing Tenure



Source: Census 2011

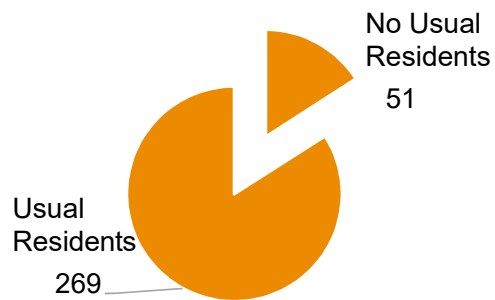


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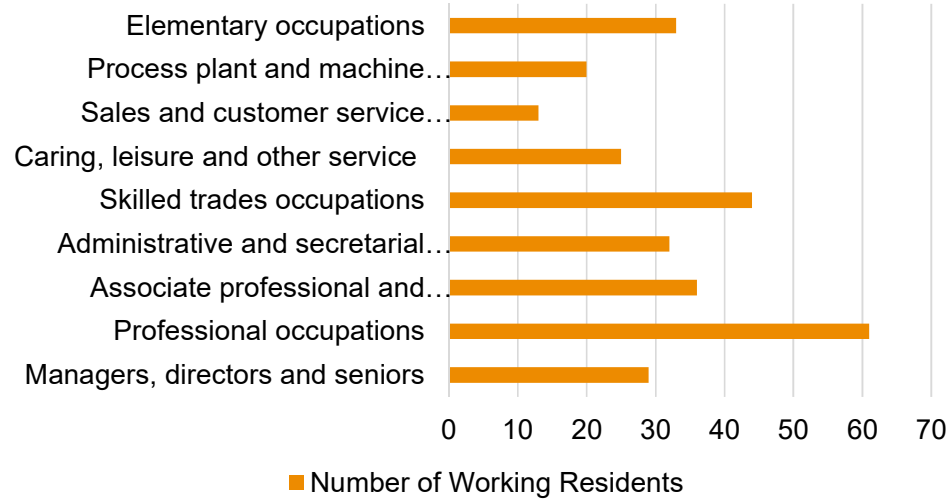
## Residency

### Occupancy of Properties



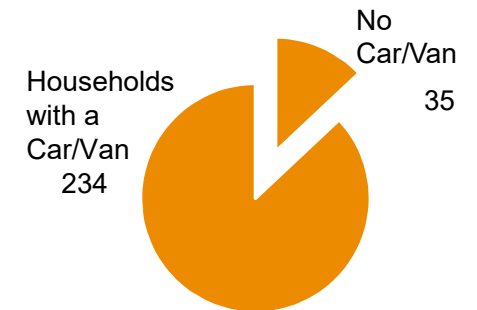
## Employment

### Occupations of Working Adults



## Car/ Van Ownership

### Households with a Car/Van



Source: Census 2011



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## Settlement Amenities

Accommodation	★
Events/Traditions	★
Groups	★
Website/Newsletter	★
Conservation Area	★
Car Parking	★
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)	0
Industrial Units	
Playing Field	★
Playground	★
Community Hall	★
Primary School	★
Post Office	★
Convenience Food Shop	★

Key



Is present

Is not present



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## Access to Essential Services

	Service	Time in Minutes
Walking	General Practice	0-10
	Pharmacy	60+
	Post Office	0-10
	Primary School	0-10
	Secondary School	60+
	Shop	0-10
Public Transport	General Practice	0-10
	Pharmacy	10-20
	Post Office	0-10
	Primary School	0-10
	Secondary School	30-40
	Shop/Supermarket	0-10

Source: Derbyshire County Council

## Tourism Accommodation

<http://www.winster.org/pages/holiday-accommodation.htm>

## Planning

Over the last 5 years, 19 planning applications have been approved in the parish

## Digital Presence

[www.winster.org](http://www.winster.org)

A wealth of information about local government in Winster and the village can be found at [www.winsterparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.winsterparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## Affordable Housing

Over many years the Parish Council has worked in partnership with Peak District Rural Housing (PDRH) to address the shortage of affordable housing for single people and couples in Winster. The Parish Council assisted PDRH to find a suitable development site within the historic village to meet the needs of its residents. Planning consent has been achieved to build 4 x 2 bedroom flats off Florence Gladwin Close.





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## Community

<b>Sports Clubs</b>	Yoga, Winster Football Club, Winster Senior Club, Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society, Winster Community Orchard & Pond Group.
<b>Events/ Traditions</b>	Wakes Week, Secret Gardens of Winster Winster Pancake Races at Shrovetide, Winster Guisers, Winster Morris Dancers.
<b>General</b>	Gardening and Countryside Group, Morris Dancing, Tea and Toast at St John the Baptist church, Open Thursday – a companionship group, Singing group and choir Luncheon club, History club, Senior club Winster Darby and Joan Club

Source: Parish Council

## Public Transport

<b>Service</b>	<b>Route</b>	<b>Bus Company</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
172	Bakewell— Matlock	Hulleys	Mon- Sat	08:05-18:05 hourly btwn 10:10-14:10

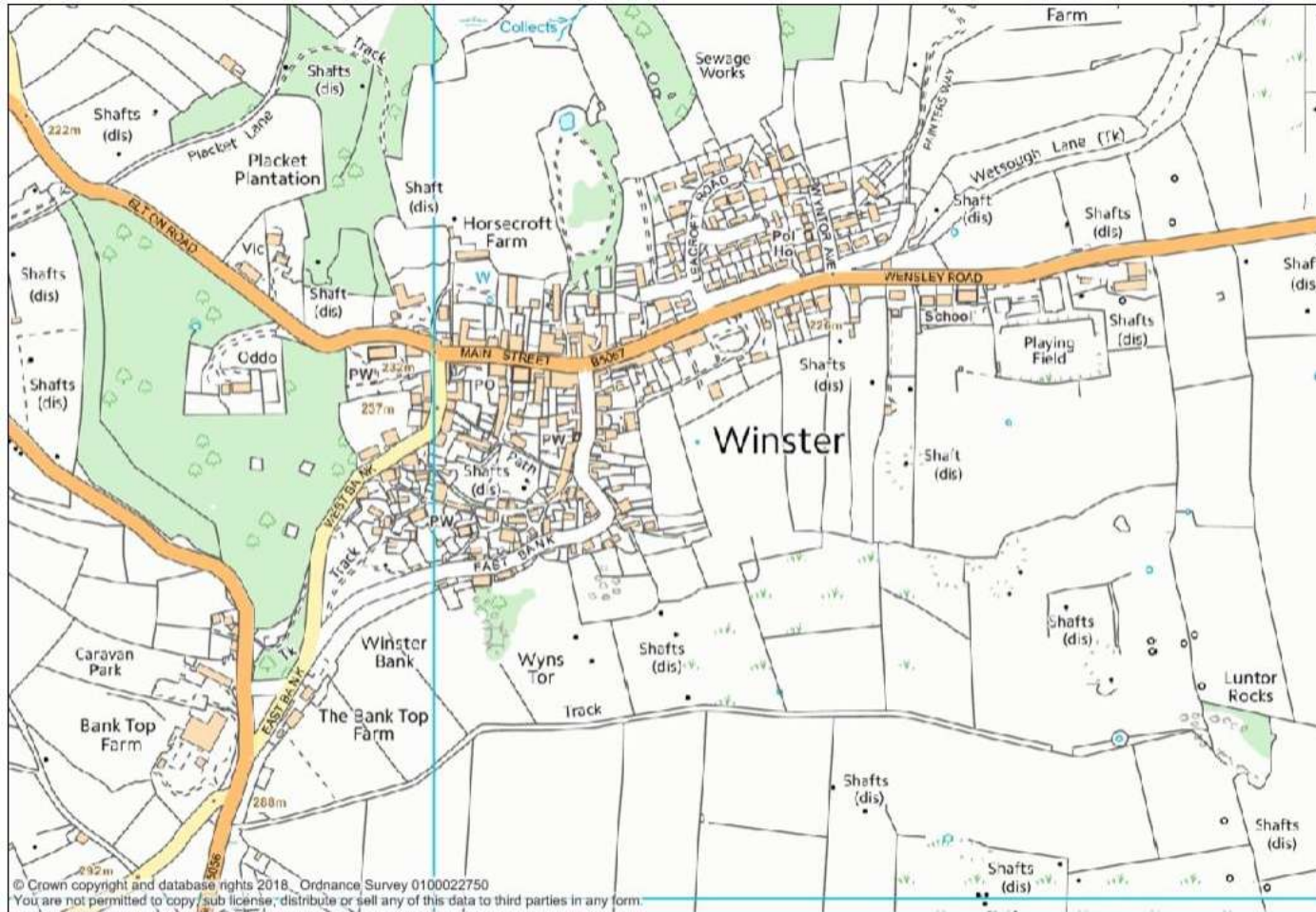
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## Map of Winster





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## Winster and its Services (1 of 2)



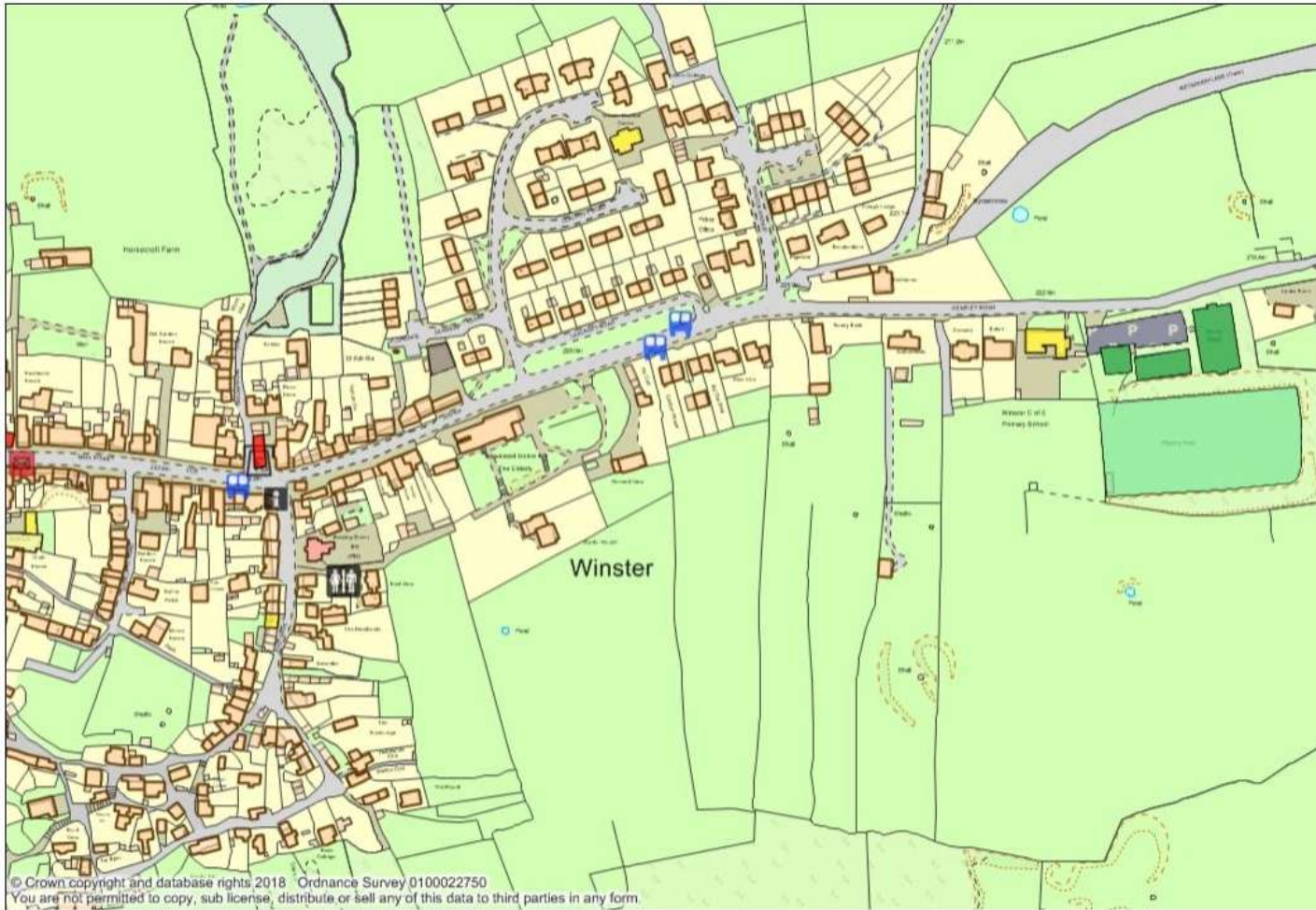
### Key

- 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
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## Winster and its Services (2 of 2)



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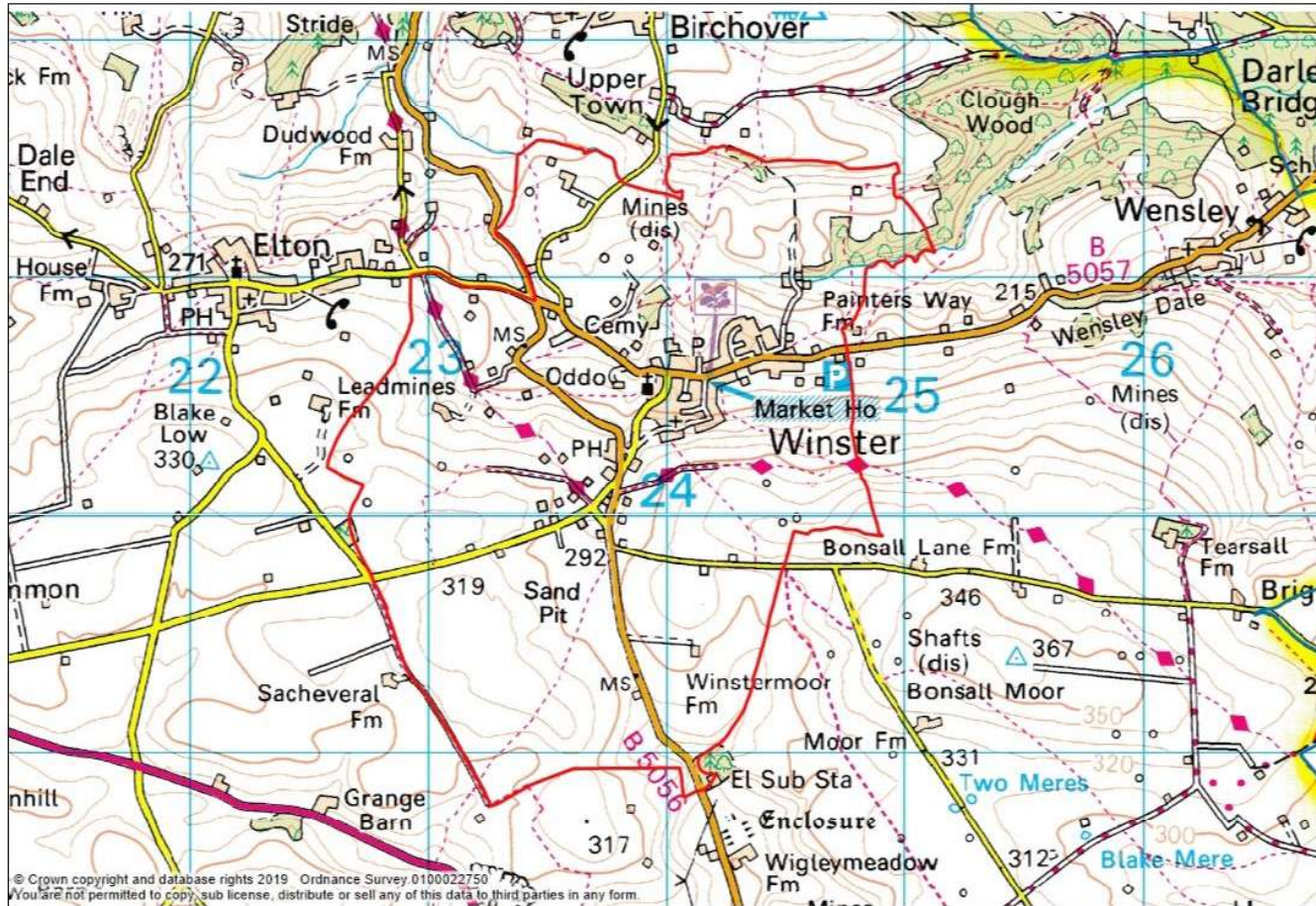
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## Winster Parish Boundary





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### **Data sources**

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Ordnance survey maps

Derbyshire Accessibility Assessment 2016, Derbyshire County Council

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