

AFONWEN - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Afonwen is a very small village located on the edge of the County near the authority border of Denbighshire. The settlement is located off the A541 which links principally Denbigh & Mold. Afonwen is relatively well served in terms of public transport services however as a settlement is very small with less than 60 dwellings and a population of little more than 200. Service provision within Afonwen is limited with local residents being reliant upon access to nearby settlements including Caerwys and Bodfari for day to day services.

	Settlement No. of Dwellings
2000 UDP Baseline Figure	55
2014 Housing Land Study	58

	Settlement Population
2001 Census	224
2011 Census	203

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

Community centre / hall	No
Civic offices / facility	No
Library	No
Hospital	No
Doctors surgery	No
Dentist surgery	No
Pharmacy	No

Community & Health

Place of worship	No
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Retail & Commercial Related

Supermarket	No
Non-food retail units	Craft & Antiques Centre with Café & Gift Shop
Convenience shop	No
Other shops	No
Café / Take away	In Craft Centre
Bank/Building Society	No

Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint	No
Public house / club / restaurant	Yes. The Edenshine Restaurant situated in Craft Centre.
Post office	No
Post box	Yes .Post box & new public phone at Caerwys junction
Petrol Filling Station	No

Employment

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Transport

Rail station	No
Bus station / stop	Yes. There are bus stops on entering village from Mold & at Pwll Gwyn
Bus service frequency	Yes. 7 buses daily to Denbigh, 6 buses daily to Mold, 2 buses on Sat only to Holywell
Cycle route	No
Access to main highway network	Situated on the A541 Mold to Denbigh Road

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Afonwen post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 3.1-7.5 mega bytes per second. Accordingly it is to be expected that broadband provision in Afonwen is poor and is constrained. This is likely to have a negative effect on the ability of local residents seeking to access online services such as banking, post office services or online shopping.

Other Comments

Other notable Local Companies / Businesses in the local vicinity include - Mountain View B & B, Swallows Rest (Gwenoldy) Coed-y-Mynydd Isaf self-catering cottage, GG Gallaghers Car Sales, Storage & Vehicle Hire, Semliki Boarding Cattery, Pudding Perfect (outside catering company specialising in cakes, puddings and desserts) and Bim's Kitchen (African inspired food products) at the Pwll Gwyn Hotel.

Previous Surveys of Service Provision

Whilst there has not been any significant changes in service provision over the last 15 years the public house has recently closed and is now in use for a private business venture.

Year of Survey	Public House	General Shop	PFS and Shop	Post Office	Cashpoint	Health / Medical Facility	Community Centre & or other Building	Educational Facility
2000 (UDP Survey)	1	-	-	-	na	-	-	-
2006 (Student Survey)	1	-	-	-	na	-	-	-
2010 (Pub is the Hub Survey)	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 Afonwen is very limited.

