

CARMEL - SETTLEMENT SERVICE AUDIT

Settlement Commentary

Carmel is a large village lying to the west of Holywell with views overlooking the Dee Estuary and pleasant rural surroundings including an area of ancient woodland overlooking Carmel (to the South). Service provision in Carmel is relatively good given the role that Carmel plays serving nearby villages. Carmel is easily accessible from both the A55 (approximately 3 kilometres away) and from nearby Holywell and benefits from close proximity to Holywell . It is also well served by public transport with regular bus services which connects the village to the towns of Holywell, Mold and Rhyl.

| | Settlement No. of Dwellings |
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| 2000 UDP Baseline Figure | 465 |
| 2014 Housing Land Study | 474 |

| | Settlement Population |
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| 2001 Census | 1,229 |
| 2011 Census | 1,217 |

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

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| Pre-School / Nursery Provision | Yes, Ysgol Bro Carmel caters for ages 3 – 11 with 177 pupils on the school roll as at August 2014 |
| Primary school | Yes, Bro Carmel |
| Secondary school | No |

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| College | No |
| Other Education Facility | No |

Leisure & Recreation Facilities

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| Indoor leisure centre / sports facility | No |
| Swimming pool | No |
| Formal outdoor sports facility | Yes, Bowling Green |

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| Formal outdoor play facility /area | Yes, School playing field used by Holywell Juniors F.C. Equipped childrens play area adjacent to Carmel Road |
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Community & Health

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| Community centre / hall | Yes, Carmel Village Hall – FCC decided to grant a lease to a new residents management committee April 2014 |
| Civic offices / facility | No |
| Library | No |
| Hospital | No |
| Doctors surgery | No |
| Dentist surgery | No |
| Pharmacy | No |
| Place of worship | Capel Carmel close to village Hall and School |

Retail & Commercial Related

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| Supermarket | No |
| Non-food retail units | No |

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| Convenience shop | No, however there is a co-operative store with the petrol filling station in Holywell |
| Other shops | No |
| Café / Take away | No |
| Bank/Building Society | No |
| Free Standing of a Bank - Cashpoint | No |
| Public house / club / restaurant | Yes, Food served at the Halfway House P.H. Allt y Goch |
| Post office | No |
| Post box | Yes |
| Petrol Filling Station | No, But there is in Holywell in close proximity to Carmel |

Employment

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| Employment | No |
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Transport

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| Rail station | No |
| Bus station / stop | Yes A5026 Carmel Road |
| Bus service frequency | Yes, Service 14a – 5 buses a day to Caerwys, 6 a day to Holywell (Mon – Fri) 14c - 4 a day to Mold 5 a day to Holywell (Mon – Sat) 19 – 4 a day to Rhyl, 7 a day to Holywell (Mon – Sat) 127 – 1 a day to Mold (School day only) |
| Cycle route | No |
| Access to main highway network | Yes, Direct access onto the A 5026 |

Broadband Provision

According to the latest OFCOM data (2013) Carmel post codes (where data is available) have a median average broadband range of 2.6-8.9 mega-bytes per second. Carmel is a large settlement connected to a key town of the County (Holywell) and this level of broadband provision is poor. This poor level of broadband provision will adversely impact the ability of local residents and businesses alike whether in day to day business activities or for accessing online services such as banking, post office services or online shopping.

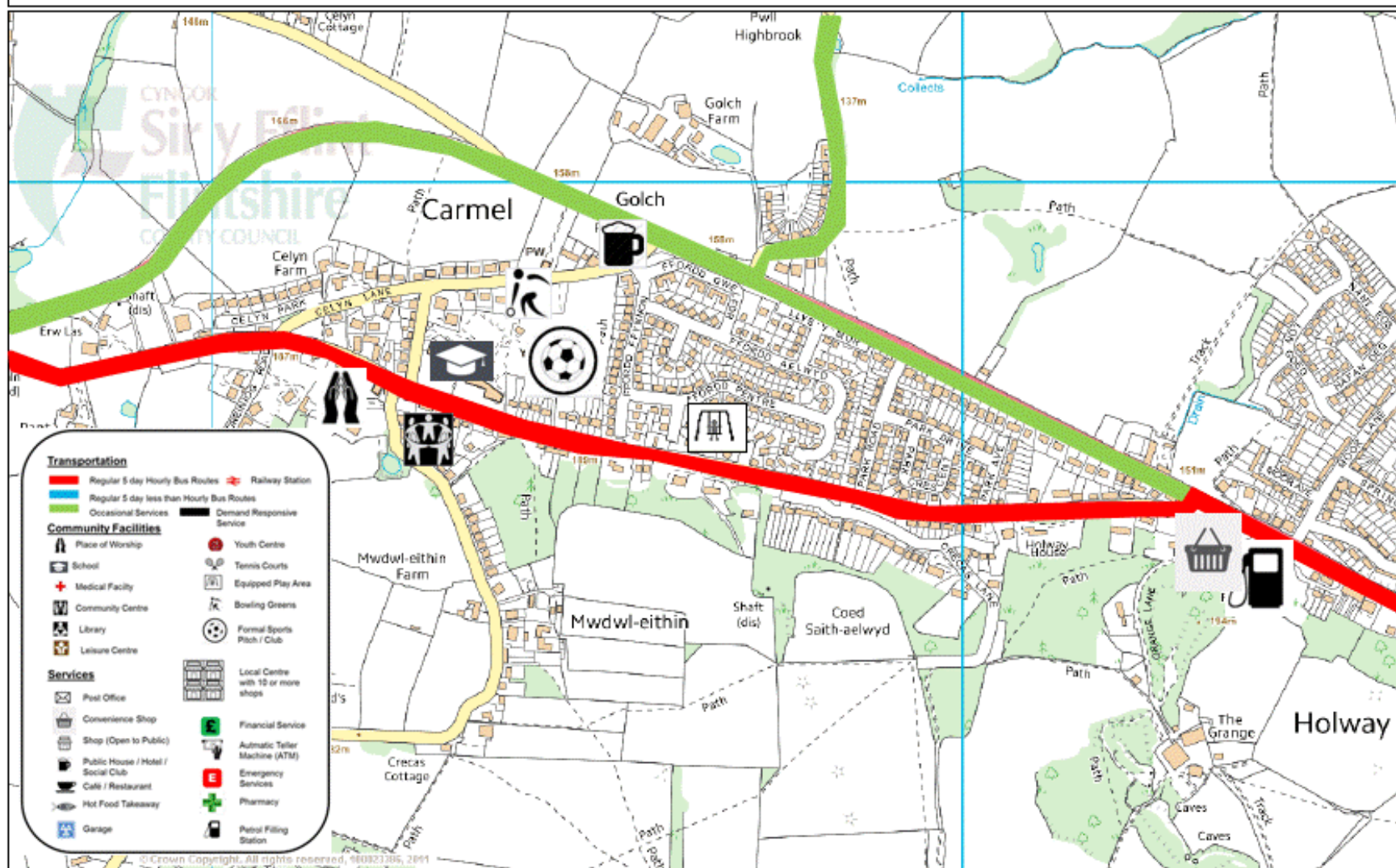
Other Comments

None

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 Carmel could be considered inadequate where it not for the presence of services in Holywell.

Carmel Service Provision



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