

Interpretation of the Data – Holt

This supplementary document explores some of the underlying data from the profile and links it to the data at a district-level.

Precept In 2014/15 the average parish precept in Malvern Hills District was £43.66 per household and the range from £100.42 to £1.53. The precept for Holt was £28.16 the 32nd largest out of 53.

Population Holt is the 19th largest parish in Malvern Hills. Between 2001 and 2011 the population growth was less than 17%, much greater than the District growth of 3.4%.

Households (dwellings with residents) The number of households has increased from 261 to 299. With a rapidly rising population this results in the size of households increasing slightly from 2.35 persons to 2.40. The number of single person households has increased by 30% from 56 to 73 (24% of all households). 60% of single person households are single pensioner households; this has increased by 63% from 27 to 44 in 2011.

Older people The number of persons aged 60 and over has increased by 37% from 171 to 234. Persons aged 75 and over have increased by 87% from 39 to 73. The population has aged significantly and that trend is set to continue.

Children The number of persons aged 0 to 15 has increased by 34% from 102 to 137. This is one of the highest increases in the district, an upward trend is only present in one third of parishes.

Deprivation The Index of Multiple Deprivation shows that 13 households (4.3%) are deprived in three or four of the dimensions of employment, education, housing and health and disability, the district-level percentage is 3.2%. However, Housing or Council Tax benefit and JSA claimants are lower than the district average.

Cars and vans The number of households with no access to a car/van has increased slightly from 18 to 19. This means that 6% of households rely on other means of transportation.

Health The percentage of the population reporting good or very good health in each parish ranges from 91% to 75%. In Holt it is 83% but the number of people reporting that they are healthy will likely reduce as the population ages.

Considerations How to ensure that care and support for older people is sustained and developed as the population continues to age. Working in partnerships with other parishes and the statutory authorities is likely to be helpful.

How to minimise social isolation as the number of single person households increases.

How to sustain and develop transport services particularly for the 6% with no access to a car or van.

How to ensure that deprived households have access to supporting services and benefits. Promotion of the CAB Community Liaison Volunteers may be helpful.