

# **OXFORDSHIRE NEEDS ANALYSIS**

# Henley Parliamentary Constituency

## **June 2020**

This report was produced by Oxfordshire Community Foundation using community mapping and reporting tool Local Insight. This tool has been developed by OCSI and makes use of open data to help councils and community organisations make informed funding and policy decisions. It brings in up-to-date data drawn from the Census, the Department for Work and Pensions, deprivation indices and other sources.

Note that data will change regularly as information is updated on Local Insight. This report was correct at the date of publication.

Key to maps:

20% least deprived

20% most deprived

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## **Basic Statistics**

As can be seen from the table below, overall Henley Parliamentary constituency is not very deprived in comparison to the England averages.

Population	There are 99,595 people living in Henley	Education & skills	16% of people have no qualifications in Henley compared with 22% across England
Vulnerable groups	6% of children are living in poverty in Henley compared with 17% across England	Economy	41% people aged 16-74 are in full-time employment in Henley compared with 39% across England
Housing	2% of households lack central heating in Henley compared with 3% across England	Access & transport	10% of households have no car in Henley compared with 26% across England
Crime & safety	The overall crime rate is lower than the average across England	Communities & environment	The % of people 'satisfied with their neighbourhood' (90.2%) is higher than the average across England (79.3%)
Health & wellbeing	14% of people have a limiting long-term illness in Henley compared with 18% across England		

However, we can see from digging into the data that there are pockets of greater deprivation and there are significant number of individuals, both young and old, who require assistance.



# **Population**

### Age

Total Population	Aged 0-15	Working age population	Aged 65+	Dependency ratio
99,595	18,045	58,280	23,270	0.71
49.4% male; 50.6% female	18.1% (England average = 19.2%)	58.5% (England average = 62.6%)	23.4% (England average = 18.2%)	England average = 0.60

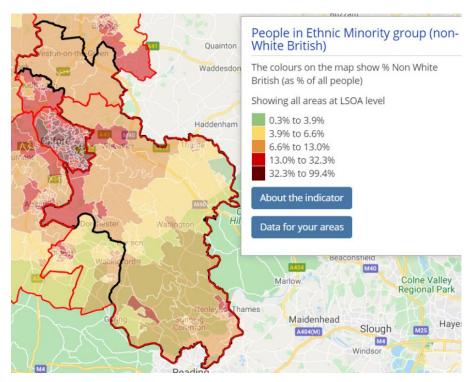
Source: Mid-Year Estimates (ONS) 2018

The age demographic of Henley is significantly different to the England average. With nearly a quarter of the population being over 65 there is a noticeably older population than the England average. Both the proportion of children and working age people are less than the England Average.

#### **Ethnicity**

White British	Non-White	White-non-British	Mixed
89,250	3,540	5,025	1,330
91.2% (England average = 79.8%)	3.6% (England average = 14.6%)	5.1% (England average = 5.7%)	1.4% (England average = 2.3%)
Asian	Black	Other ethnic group	Households with multiple ethnicities
1,545	470	195	3,430
1.6% (England average =	0.5% (England average = 3.5%)	0.2% (England average = 1.0%)	8.7% (England average = 8.9%)

Source: Census 2011



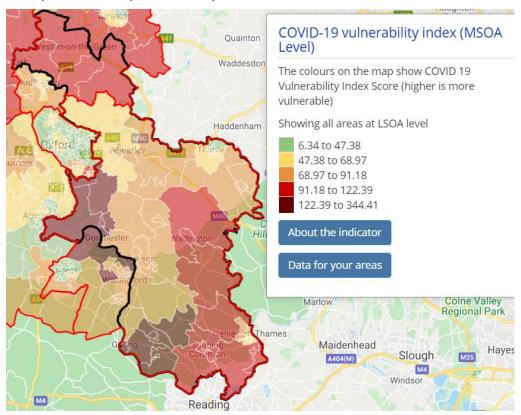
Henley is not very although diverse, there is a population of non-white British people. It can be seen from this map that there are greater concentrations ethnic minorities in a small area of Henley on Thames and in areas to the south and Oxford east of including Berinsfield and Wheatley.

Even these areas though do not have a proportion of non-White British equal to the England average of 20.2%



## **Covid-19 Vulnerable Groups**

The Red Cross recently created the 'Food Vulnerability Index'. This map shows the vulnerabilities in Henley Parliamentary Constituency.



There does appear to be quite high levels of vulnerability in the Henley area. This can probably be attributed to the older population and the rural nature of the constituency. The Covid-19 vulnerability index does combine multiple sources of data including demographic data (over 70s) and isolation from services including supermarkets and pharmacies.

## **Isolation**

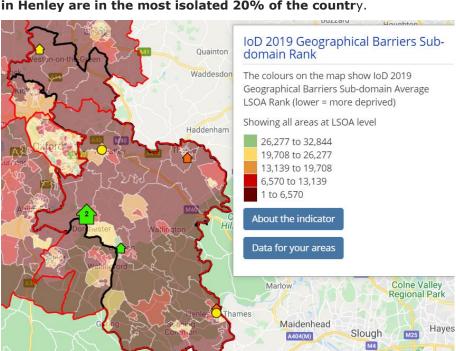
The rurality of the area can be seen in this table:



Source: Road distances - Commission for Rural Communities: Distance to Service dataset (2010)

The distance from a Job Centre, a secondary school, a GP and a Post Office are around double the average distance for England. The average distance to a pub is less than average, but of course these have been shut during the lockdown.





The distance to services can be seen in the IoD 2019 Geographical Barriers Sub-domain Rank which shows distance to services including: schools, doctors, supermarkets or general store. **Most places in Henley are in the most isolated 20% of the country**.

This distance from services can cause isolation, particularly in times like these. This isolation can lead to mental health issues. Over the lockdown period we have funded a number of projects that can help in the relief of isolation.

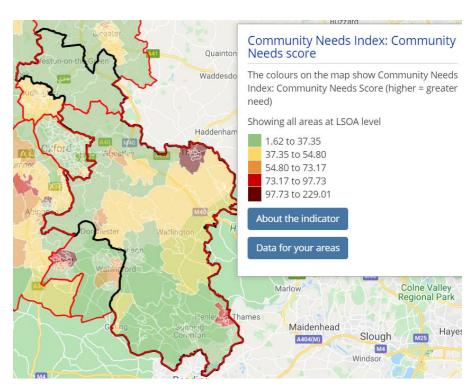
On the map above the yellow circle in Henley on Thames is **NOMAD**, who have used food parcel deliveries to stay in contact with many of their client base and used electronic means to stay in touch with vulnerable individuals and families. Also based in Henley on Thames is **Riverside Counselling Service** (orange house) who are providing counselling services to adults and young people who are affected with increased anxieties and the effects of self-isolation across much of the county. Also represented by an orange house but near Thame are **Oxfordshire Lowland Search and Rescue** who are providing a vital emergency response frequently to people with mental health issues. In the north of the constituency there is **Kirtlington Youth Club** that ensures that young people who are already isolated because of schools being closed are able to receive support and contact with others via their youth leader. In Wheatley, The Maple Tree is supporting families of early years children. The **Berinsfield Information and Volunteer Centre** is providing advice and help via telephone and email. Also shopping and delivery of food and medication for some of the most vulnerable residents. And in Benson there is the **Mill Steam Day Centre** that are supporting a volunteer hub. The Hub provides shopping prescription collection, dog walking, signposting for isolated villagers.

# **Community**

There has been an excellent pulling together of the community to deal with issues caused by the pandemic and the lockdown. This has been true of Henley and required here too.

The map below shows the Community Index Score. This score has been developed by the Local Trust and OCSI to identify areas experiencing poor community and civic infrastructure, relative isolation, and low levels of participation in community life.





It can be seen from the map that there is a higher level of need in Thame and Henley-on-Thames with some need in Wheatley and Berinsfield. It is very good to see that by this measure there is a strong sense of community in most of the constituency.

# **Community Resilience Grants Awarded**

Up to 16th June 2020

Group	Grant	Summary
NOMAD	£5,000	Advice & support - Food Bank, using the opportunity that food parcel deliveries give us to stay in contact with many of our client base. In addition we are using and developing electronic means to stay in touch with vulnerable individuals and families.
Riverside Counselling Service	£5,000	Advice & support - counselling service to adults and young people who are affected with increased anxieties and the effects of self-isolation.
Berinsfield Information and Volunteer Centre	£5,000	Advice & support - providing advice and help via telephone and email. Also shopping and delivery of food and medication.
Kirtlington Youth Club	£600	Advice & support - Ensure that young people who are already isolated because of schools being closed are able to receive support and contact with others via their youth leader.
The Maple Tree	£3,216	Advice & support - supporting families of early years children.
Oxfordshire Lowland Search and Rescue	£10,000	Support & advice - adapting to remote planning and searchers to keep social distancing
Mill Stream Day Centre	£1,000	Advice & support - focussed on supporting volunteer hub which is based in the Centre using Centre's infrastructure. The Hub provides shopping prescription collection, dog walking, signposting for isolated villagers.

