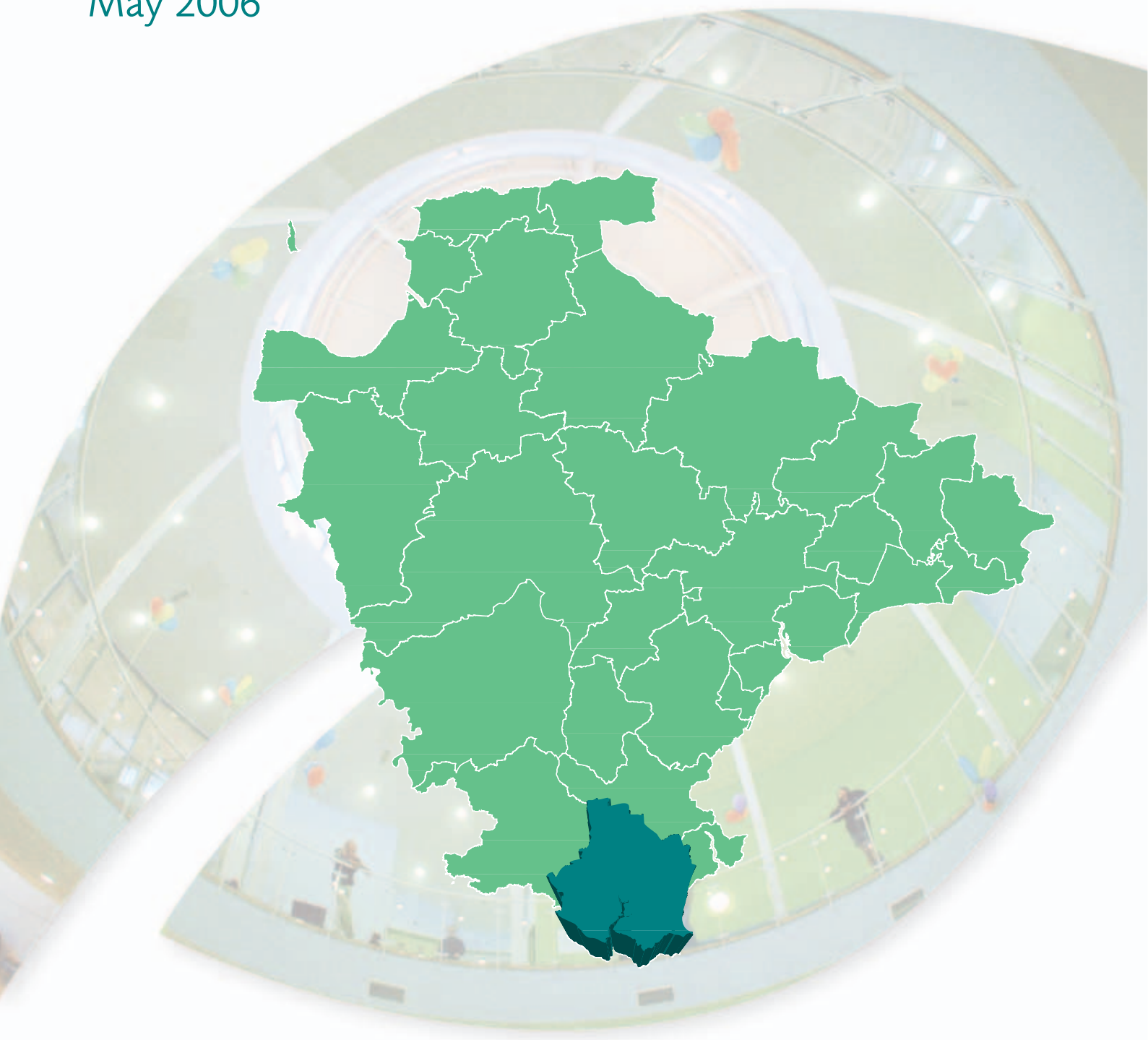


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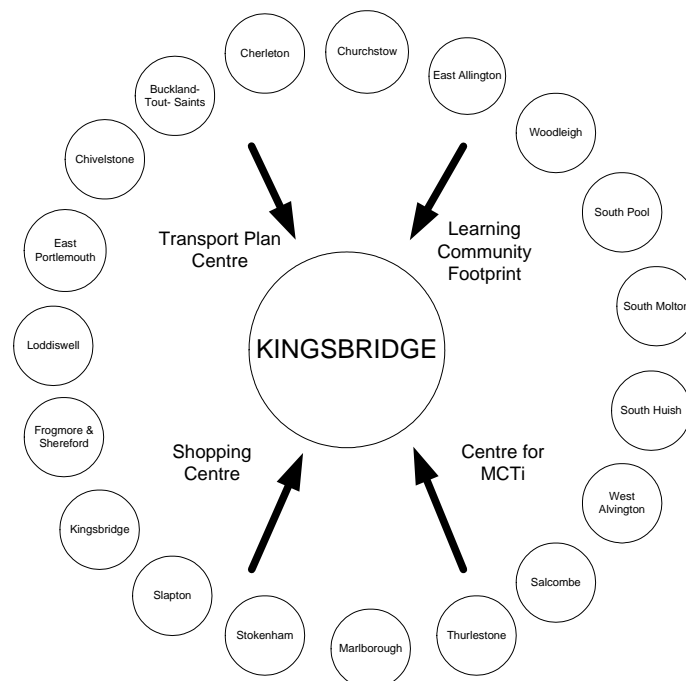


Identifying Devon Towns

The main factor that decides a town's hinterland is provision of services; the place that the hinterland looks to in order to provide the things it needs to survive. In order to identify the 28 Devon Towns, analysis of the following services and other relevant factors have been taken into account:

- Local Travel Plans – which are based on public consultation and map local travel patterns, the majority of which are short ones in and around local communities as part of people's daily lives.
- Shopping catchment areas – which are the service most frequently accessed by people.
- Learning Community catchment areas – which have a major influence on where people look to for services. Learning Community catchments do not always follow district or even county boundaries, but are based on a collection of feeder primary schools.
- Market and Coastal Towns Initiative areas - The Market and Coastal Towns Initiative was started after recognition that the health of a market town is vital to the well being of its hinterland, and that many of Devon's market towns were in need of regeneration. It is a Central Government initiative, administered by the RDAs. Over half of Devon is included in the Market and Coastal Towns Initiative.
- Parishes - The boundary definitions are shown in terms of parishes, as they are traditionally the smallest area used for 'clustering'.

The diagram below is an illustration of how this works for one Devon Town: Kingsbridge.



Exeter also provides a similar or related "market town" function as well as being a sub regional centre with a larger sphere of influence.

Foreword

In Devon, we want a county for everyone.

We want all to share in our economic prosperity, to have access to the best possible public services and to enjoy a good quality of life.

Our county is made up of many small and scattered communities built around larger market and coastal towns and the vibrant city of Exeter.

To make sure that the County Council and other agencies provide a good service to all these diverse communities and can meet their future needs, we need to fully understand and take into account the local situation and any local issues.

We call this initiative “Connecting with Communities” and it is a key part of our Strategic Plan for the future of Devon.

To help, we have produced a local profile of each of the key market and coastal towns in Devon and their surrounding area.

Based on key facts and figures, these profiles are just a starting point for local discussion about the real needs and priorities of each of our communities.

I hope you find this information useful and that it proves an invaluable resource in all future local planning.

Councillor Des Hannon
Executive Support Member for Improvement and Customer Service
Devon County Council



Introduction

This profile, one of 29 covering the area of Devon County Council, has been generated by the County Council's Corporate Information Service and is an important resource contribution to local community planning work.

Each profile provides a statistical overview, based on a series of facts and figures, of what life is like in each "Devon town" area. The profile contains a baseline of information and is intended to provide the basis for further discussion and development within the County Council and with partners.

In light of these discussions the profile can grow into a more rounded picture describing "how things are" for each area, as well as to set out the likely future actions that will be needed to redress any gaps in service or unmet needs.

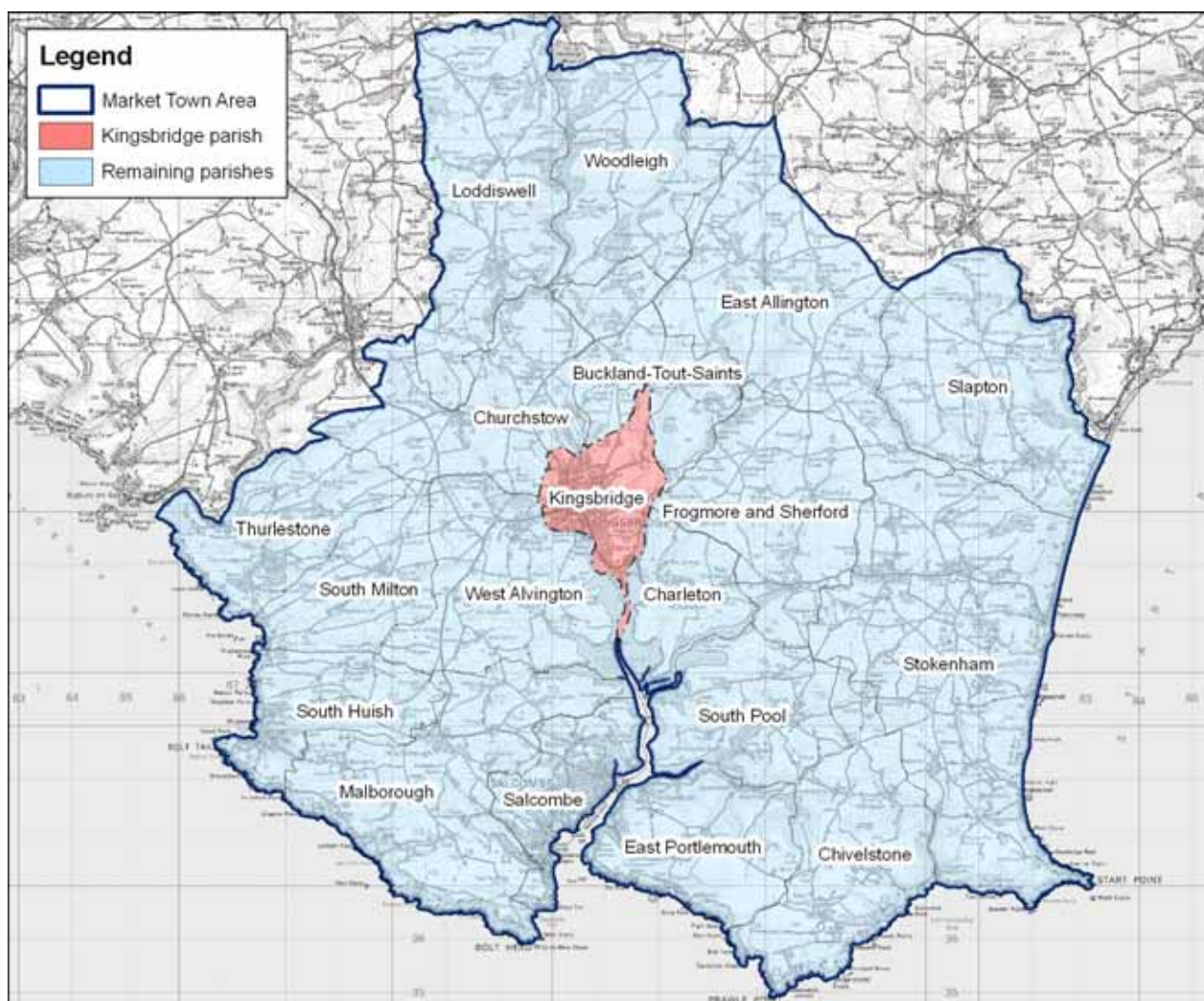
The profile is structured around a series of themes to cover social, economic and environmental well being. This is a starting point in producing profiles about our "Devon town" areas in which considerable effort has been made to provide a comprehensive series of data. Further data will be added to subsequent editions as they become available to provide a more complete picture and monitor trends.

The profiles are available on the County Council website – www.devon.gov.uk

Area definition

Market town areas have been defined as aggregations of parishes. The following 19 parishes make up the Kingsbridge market town area:

Buckland-Tout-Saints	East Portlemouth	Salcombe	Stokenham
Charleton	Frogmore & Sherford	Slapton	Thurlestone
Chivelstone	Kingsbridge	South Huish	West Alvington
Churchstow	Loddiswell	South Milton	Woodleigh
East Allington	Malborough	South Pool	



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As much of the data included in this profile is produced at a ward level, a 'best-fit' of wards is also used. Wards are included in one market town area if more than 60% of the population of that ward live within the market town boundary. If between 40% and 60% of a ward's population falls within a market town area it will be included, but may also be included in another area.

The wards that comprise the market town area in this profile are as follows:

Allington & Loddiswell	Kingsbridge North	Saltstone	Thurlestone
Kingsbridge East	Salcombe & Malborough	Stokenham	Westville & Alvington

Seven wards fall completely inside the market town boundary. With over 70% of the population of Allington and Loddiswell ward living inside the boundary, this ward will be included in the 'best-fit' for the purposes of this profile.

Each market town area is comprised of a centre (coloured red) and its surrounding hinterland (referred to as the "Remaining parishes" throughout this document). The centre for this profile is considered to be the parish of Kingsbridge, or the two Kingsbridge wards – Kingsbridge East and Kingsbridge North.

Some national datasets are released using a new geographic hierarchy – Super Output Areas. The lowest level – Lower Super Output Areas (or LSOAs) – is about one third the size of a ward. These are aggregated to form Middle Super Output Areas (MSOAs). Where data are only available at Super Output Area a best-fit approach has been adopted. There are ten LSOAs that fall either fully or partially inside the market town area, two of which form Kingsbridge parish. There are four MSOAs in the market town area, one of which forms an area similar to Kingsbridge parish. A further three provide a best for the remaining parishes.

Additional information has been included to provide some comparisons. All tables have data for the South Hams district and the area administered by Devon County Council – where reference is made to the county of Devon this refers to the area covered by Devon County Council, which does not include Plymouth or Torbay. Where possible data are also included at a national level, either for England or England & Wales.

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Population

Summary

The structure of the population in the market town area is noticeably different to that of the county. The proportion of those aged 45 to 64 years represents a nearly a third of the total population in the surrounding hinterland, which is greater than the county average.

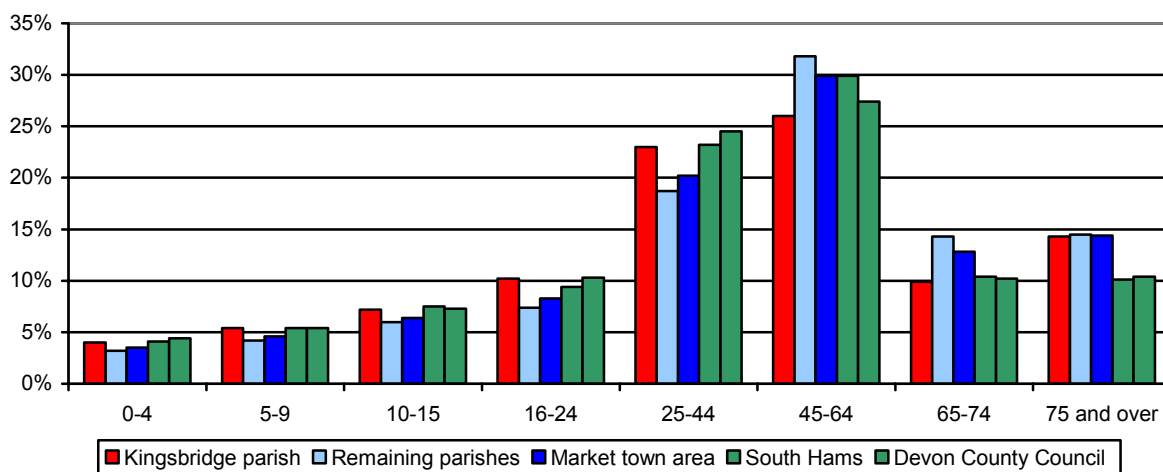
There has been significant population growth since 1991 in the parish of Kingsbridge. This increase is greater than the growth in the district and the county.

The proportion of people from minority ethnic groups in the market town area is noticeably below the district and county averages.

The level of households occupied by individuals in the market town area as a whole is similar to the county and national averages. There is no noticeable difference between Kingsbridge parish and the surrounding hinterland.

Percentage of population by age band (2004)

Area	Total population	Age band							
		0-4	5-9	10-15	16-24	25-44	45-64	65-74	75 and over
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	4.0%	5.4%	7.2%	10.2%	23.0%	26.0%	9.9%	14.3%
Remaining parishes	11,604	3.2%	4.2%	6.0%	7.4%	18.7%	31.8%	14.3%	14.5%
Market town area	17,449	3.5%	4.6%	6.4%	8.3%	20.2%	29.9%	12.8%	14.4%
South Hams	85,921	4.1%	5.4%	7.5%	9.4%	23.2%	29.9%	10.4%	10.1%
Devon County Council	742,911	4.4%	5.4%	7.3%	10.3%	24.5%	27.4%	10.2%	10.4%



Source: South Devon Health Informatics Service (FHSA data)

Population change (1991 to 2004)

Area/Comparisons	1991	2001	2004	% change 1991-2004
Kingsbridge parish	5,066	5,527	5,845	15.4%
Remaining parishes	11,387	11,292	11,604	1.9%
Market town area	16,453	16,819	17,449	6.1%
South Hams	77,665	81,849	85,921	10.8%
Devon County Council	646,903	704,493	742,911	14.8%

Source: 1991 Census, 2001 and 2004 South Devon Health Informatics Service (FHSA data)

Ethnicity (2001)

Area	All people	Ethnic group:			
		White	% White	Black and minority ethnic	% Black and minority ethnic
Kingsbridge parish	5,527	5,479	99.1%	48	0.9%
Remaining parishes	11,292	11,222	99.4%	70	0.6%
Market town area	16,819	16,701	99.3%	118	0.7%
South Hams	81,849	81,102	99.1%	747	0.9%
Devon County Council	704,493	696,590	98.9%	7,903	1.1%
England	49,138,831	44,679,361	90.9%	4,459,470	9.1%

Source: 2001 Census

Household composition (2001)

Area	All households	Single person households		Households comprising of more than one person	
		Number	%	Number	%
Kingsbridge parish	2,473	823	33.3%	1,650	66.7%
Remaining parishes	5,105	1,493	29.2%	3,612	70.8%
Market town area	7,578	2,316	30.6%	5,262	69.4%
South Hams	34,810	9,766	28.1%	25,044	71.9%
Devon County Council	298,574	86,890	29.1%	211,686	70.9%
England	20,451,427	6,150,264	30.1%	14,301,163	69.9%

Source: 2001 Census

Deprivation

Summary

There are no Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) in the top 25% most deprived LSOAs but two out of the ten LSOAs that make up the market town area are ranked in the most deprived 50% nationally.

The principal source of deprivation data is currently The Indices of Deprivation 2004. This is a Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) level measure of multiple deprivation and is made up of seven domains. A LSOA is an area of around 1,500 people and has been devised to standardise statistical geography across the country. The seven domains are:

- Income Deprivation
- Employment Deprivation
- Health Deprivation and Disability
- Education, Skills and Training Deprivation
- Barriers to Housing and Services
- Living Environment Deprivation
- Crime

There are two supplementary Indices (Income Deprivation Affecting Children and Income Deprivation Affecting Older People).

The model which underpins the Index of Deprivation 2004 is based on the idea of distinct dimensions of deprivation which can be recognised and measured separately. These are experienced by individuals living in an area. Where possible, the indicators relate to 2001.

The information will help target policies and funding, reinforcing the Government's drive to improve the quality of life in disadvantaged communities.

There are over 32,000 LSOAs in the 2004 index, replacing the 8,500 wards used to construct the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2000. The LSOA boundaries were determined nationally with no local input.

The 2004 index was developed from academic research undertaken by Oxford University.

The table below compares the areas in Devon ranked in the most deprived 25% nationally, in terms of the number of wards in 2000 and the number of LSOAs in 2004, together with the population of these areas.

Comparison of IMD 2000 and ID 2004

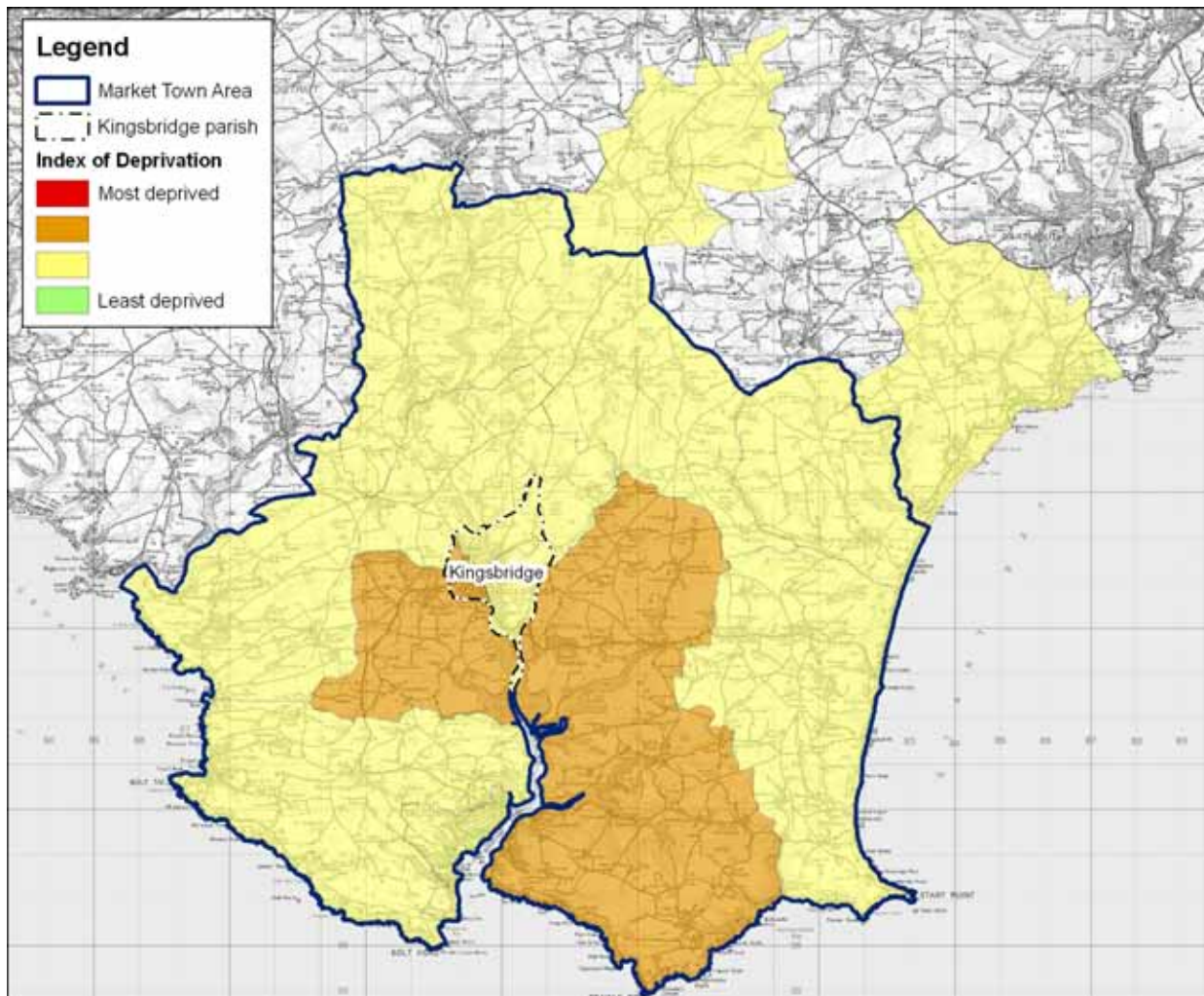
Area	IMD 2000		ID 2004	
	Number of wards	Population	Number of LSOAs	Population
East Devon	1	3,901	0	0
Exeter	3	17,070	14	22,057
Mid Devon	0	0	1	1,652
North Devon	6	21,409	10	14,158
South Hams	1	5,458	0	0
Teignbridge	6	24,408	6	8,918
Torridge	10	22,217	3	5,731
West Devon	1	1,483	0	0
Devon County Council	28	95,946	34	52,516

Source: Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and South Devon Health Informatics Service (FHSA data)

Application of the new index reduces the population in Devon perceived to be living in the most deprived areas by around 45%. This is probably due to the addition of crime and the living environment to the index, which in both cases the area covered by Devon County Council would have scored well compared to the national average. The reduced weighting given to the access to services domain may also be a contributing factor.

There are ten LSOAs that fall either completely or partially within the area covered by this profile. Two of these are classified as being in the most deprived 50% of LSOAs nationally, the remaining eight LSOAs fall into the next 25%. There is no LSOA in the most deprived 25% nationally.

Map of Index of Deprivation 2004



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Source: Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

The Local Economy

Summary

Unemployment levels in the market town area are similar to the district average and below the county and national average.

Economic activity rates as a whole within the market town area are lower than the county and national averages. Self-employment levels in the surrounding hinterland are significantly higher than the county and national averages and conversely the level of full-time employment is lower.

Claim rates for Income Support are significantly higher in Kingsbridge area compared to the surrounding hinterland. This level is also noticeably higher than the district and county averages.

Claim rates for Job Seekers Allowance in the market town area are similar to the district and county averages.

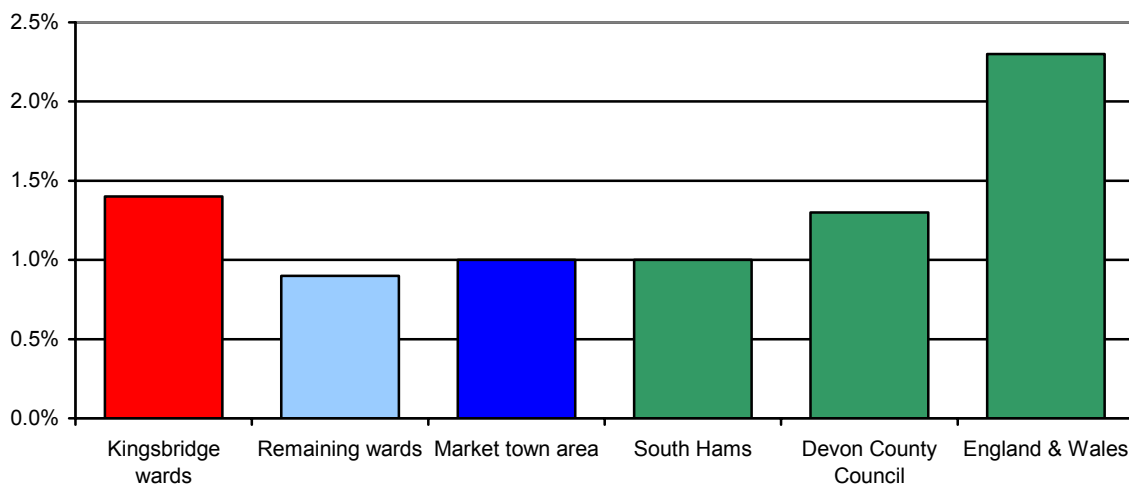
The number of households with an annual income of less than £20,000 in the parish of Kingsbridge is significantly higher than district and county averages.

The percentage of employment by industry sector of those living in the market town area highlights the main sectors of employment and wholesale & retail and real estate. This represents nearly 30% of employment in the market town area.

The largest numbers of businesses in the market town area are within the Hotel & restaurant and wholesale & retail sectors accounting for more than 40% of all businesses.

Unemployment as a proportion of working age resident population (April 2005)

Area	Number unemployed	% working age population
Kingsbridge wards	30	1.4%
Remaining wards	63	0.9%
Market town area	93	1.0%
South Hams	480	1.0%
Devon County Council	5,445	1.3%
England & Wales		2.3%



Source: Office for National Statistics

Economic activity (2001)

Area	People aged 16 to 74	Total economically active	Economically active	Employed part-time	Employed full-time	Self-employed	Unemployed	Students
Kingsbridge parish	3,744	2,384	63.7%	25.1%	46.9%	21.4%	3.0%	3.6%
Remaining parishes	8,012	4,690	58.5%	19.1%	37.8%	36.5%	3.4%	3.2%
Market town area	11,756	7,074	60.2%	21.1%	40.9%	31.4%	3.3%	3.3%
South Hams	58,398	38,453	65.8%	20.1%	50.0%	23.1%	3.5%	3.3%
Devon County Council	503,212	328,379	65.3%	20.5%	52.6%	19.3%	3.9%	3.6%
England	35,532,091	23,756,707	66.9%	17.7%	61.0%	12.4%	5.0%	3.9%

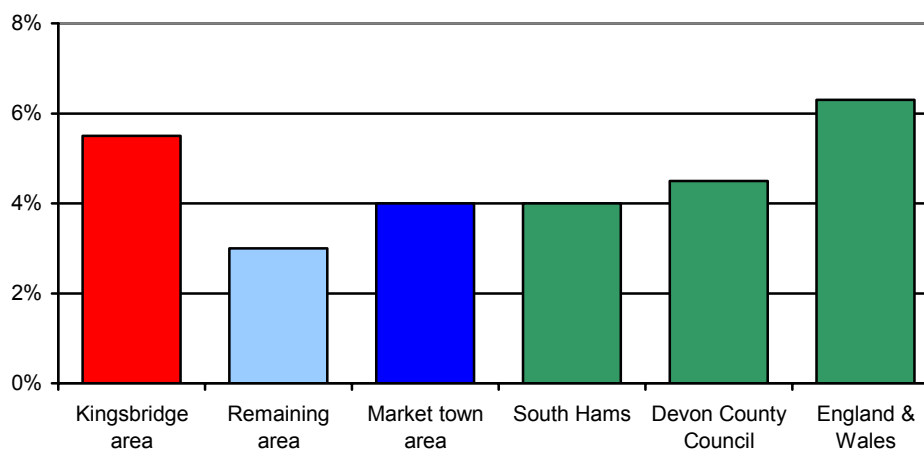
Source: 2001 Census

There are four MSOAs in the market town area, one of which forms an area similar to Kingsbridge parish. A further three provide a best fit for the remaining area. Due to the size of some of the MSOAs the remaining area may have a high rate.

Income Support and Job Seekers Allowance claim rates (2004)

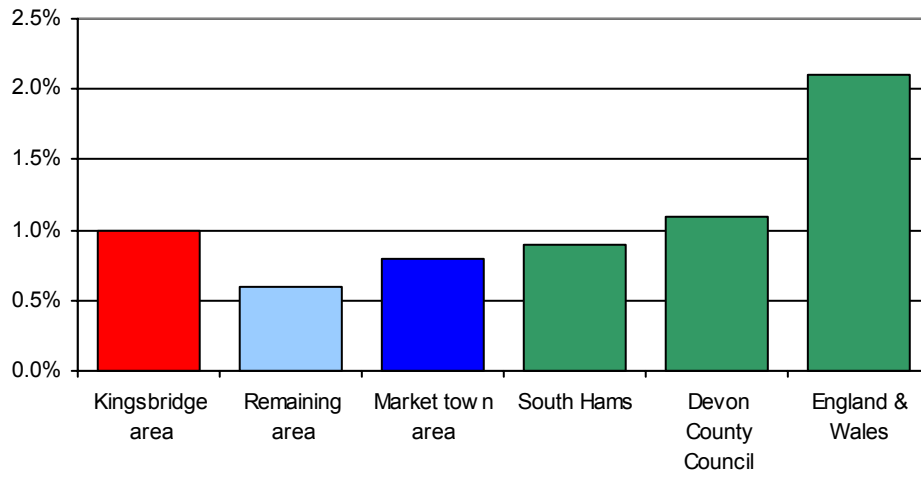
Area	Income Support			Jobseekers Allowance		
	Population aged 16 to 59	All claimants	Claim rate	Population aged 16 to 64	All claimants	Claim rate
Kingsbridge area	3,114	170	5.5%	3,406	35	1.0%
Remaining area	8,377	255	3.0%	9,590	60	0.6%
Market town area	11,491	425	3.7%	12,996	95	0.7%
South Hams	44,966	1,790	4.0%	49,785	435	0.9%
Devon County Council	388,926	17,530	4.5%	429,574	4,765	1.1%
England & Wales	30,694,973	1,946,020	6.3%	33,239,665	689,810	2.1%

Income Support claim rates (2004)



Source: Department for Work and Pensions

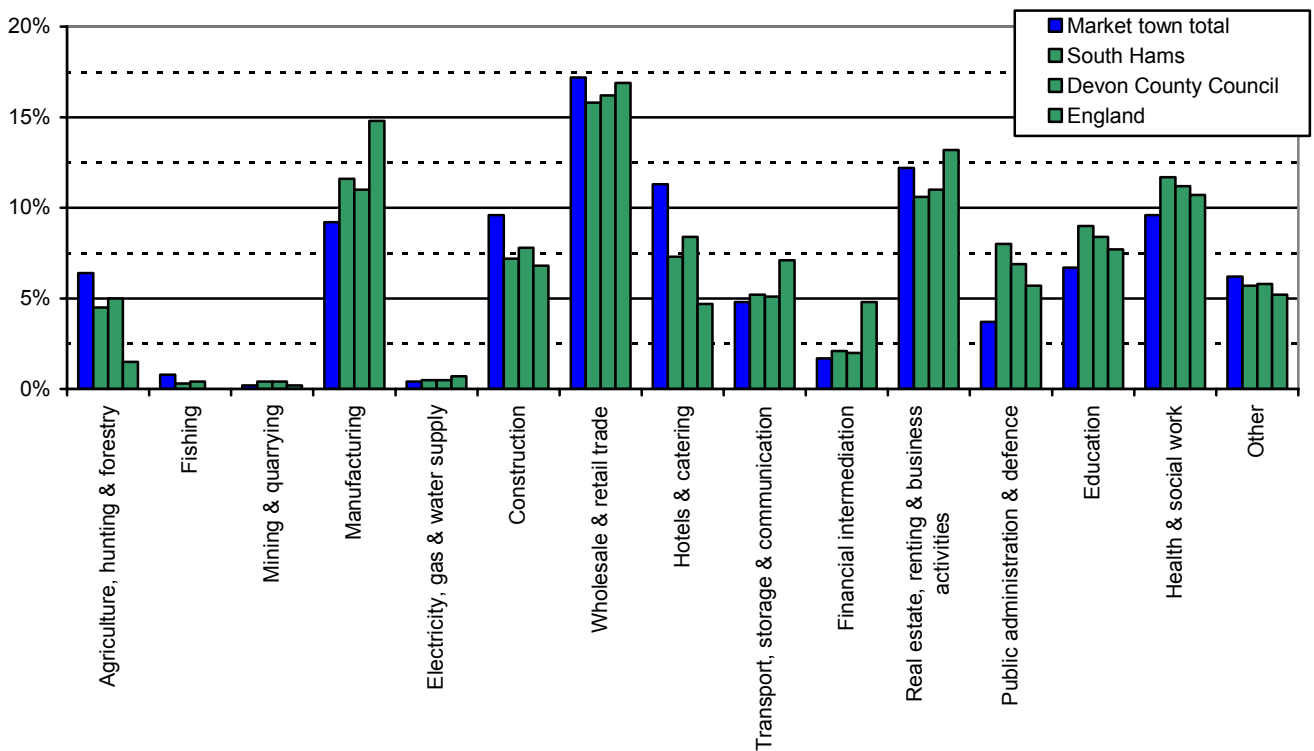
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Source: Department for Work and Pensions

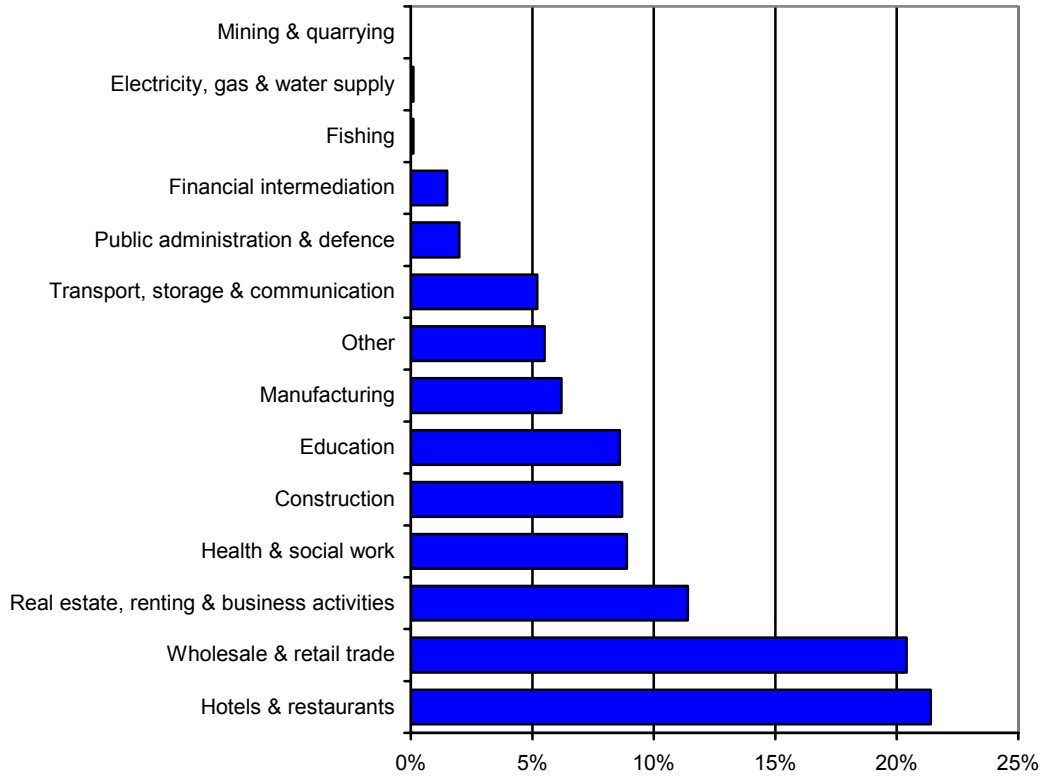
Employment of people living in the area by industry (2001)

Sector	Kingsbridge parish	Remaining parish	Market town total	South Hams	Devon County Council	England
Agriculture, hunting & forestry	2.8%	8.3%	6.4%	4.5%	5.0%	1.5%
Fishing	0.5%	1.0%	0.8%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0%
Mining & quarrying	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%	0.2%
Manufacturing	9.8%	8.9%	9.2%	11.6%	11.0%	14.8%
Electricity, gas & water supply	0.7%	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.7%
Construction	9.8%	9.5%	9.6%	7.2%	7.8%	6.8%
Wholesale & retail trade	21.9%	14.9%	17.2%	15.8%	16.2%	16.9%
Hotels & catering	8.6%	12.7%	11.3%	7.3%	8.4%	4.7%
Transport, storage & communication	5.6%	4.4%	4.8%	5.2%	5.1%	7.1%
Financial intermediation	1.9%	1.6%	1.7%	2.1%	2.0%	4.8%
Real estate, renting & business activities	11.5%	12.5%	12.2%	10.6%	11.0%	13.2%
Public administration & defence	4.3%	3.3%	3.7%	8.0%	6.9%	5.7%
Education	6.6%	6.8%	6.7%	9.0%	8.4%	7.7%
Health & social work	9.1%	9.9%	9.6%	11.7%	11.2%	10.7%
Other	7.0%	5.7%	6.2%	5.7%	5.8%	5.2%



Source: 2001 Census

Percentage of businesses in profile area by Standard Industrial Classification (2004)



Source: Annual Business Inquiry

Skills and Learning

Summary

Children living in areas other than Kingsbridge parish achieve significantly higher results in Maths and Science at Key Stage 2 level 4 than those that live in the parish.

Achievement rates for GCSEs at grades A* to C were also better for children living outside of Kingsbridge parish but all results were good compared to all the comparators.

The overall level of qualification within the market town area is broadly similar to the district and county averages. However, the proportion of people with no qualifications is noticeably higher in Kingsbridge parish. Kingsbridge parish also has a smaller proportion of people with the highest level of qualification.

Number and percentage of pupils achieving at least Key Stage 2 Level 4 (2004)

Area	Total pupils	English		Maths		Science	
		Number	% pupils	Number	% pupils	Number	% pupils
Kingsbridge parish	61	49	80.3%	44	72.1%	54	88.5%
Remaining parishes	113	88	77.9%	94	83.2%	103	91.2%
Market town area	174	137	78.7%	138	79.3%	157	90.2%
South Hams	822	643	78.2%	618	75.2%	746	90.8%
Devon County Council	7,781	6,030	77.5%	5,766	74.1%	6,803	87.4%
England			75.0%		73.0%		86.0%

Source: Children and Young People's Services, Devon County Council

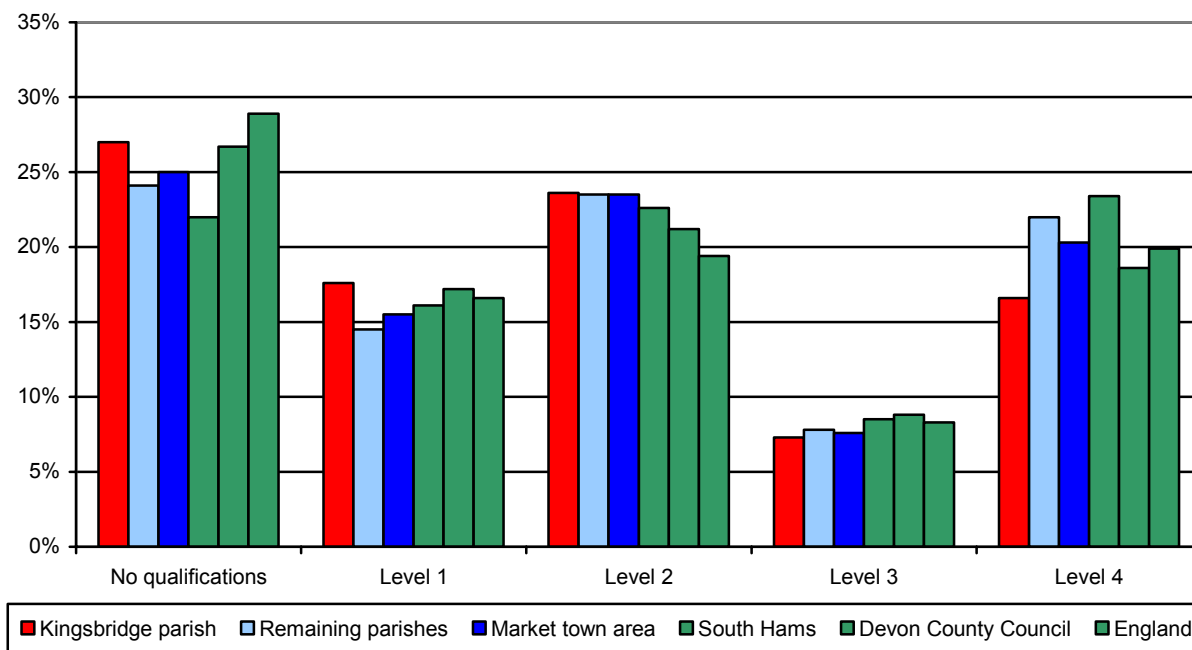
GCSE attainment (2002/03)

Area	Number of students	Students achieving five or more A*-C	% students achieving five or more A*-C	Students achieving five or more A*-G	% students achieving five or more A*-G
Kingsbridge parish	66	47	71.2%	63	95.5%
Remaining parishes	99	72	72.7%	98	99.0%
Market town area	165	119	72.1%	161	97.6%
South Hams	777	507	65.3%	738	95.0%
Devon County Council	6,955	3,741	53.8%	6,484	93.2%
England			52.9%		88.8%

Source: Children and Young People's Services, Devon County Council

Highest level of qualification (2001)

Area	No qualifications	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Other
Kingsbridge parish	27.0%	17.6%	23.6%	7.3%	16.6%	7.9%
Remaining parishes	24.1%	14.5%	23.5%	7.8%	22.0%	8.2%
Market town area	25.0%	15.5%	23.5%	7.6%	20.3%	8.1%
South Hams	22.0%	16.1%	22.6%	8.5%	23.4%	7.5%
Devon County Council	26.7%	17.2%	21.2%	8.8%	18.6%	7.6%
England	28.9%	16.6%	19.4%	8.3%	19.9%	6.9%



Source: 2001 Census

Note:

Level 1: 1+'O' level passes, 1 CSE/GCSE any grades, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ.

Level 2: 5+'O' level passes, 5+CSE's (grade A-C), School Certificate, 1+'A' levels/'AS' levels, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ.

Level 3: 2+'A' levels, 4+'AS' levels, Higher School Certificate, NVQ level 3, Advanced GNVQ.

Level 4: First degree, Higher degree, NVQ levels 4 and 5, HNC, HND, Qualified Teacher Status, Qualified, Medical Doctor, Qualified Dentist, Qualified Nurse, Midwife, Health Visitor.

Health, Care and Wellbeing

Summary

Incapacity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance claim rates are below all three comparisons in the market town area but closer to national average in Kingsbridge parish. This is mirrored when you look at Disabilities Living Allowance claim rates except that Kingsbridge is not quite so high.

The rate of people living with a limiting long-term illness within the market town area is slightly higher than the district and county averages. The same is true for the general health indicator.

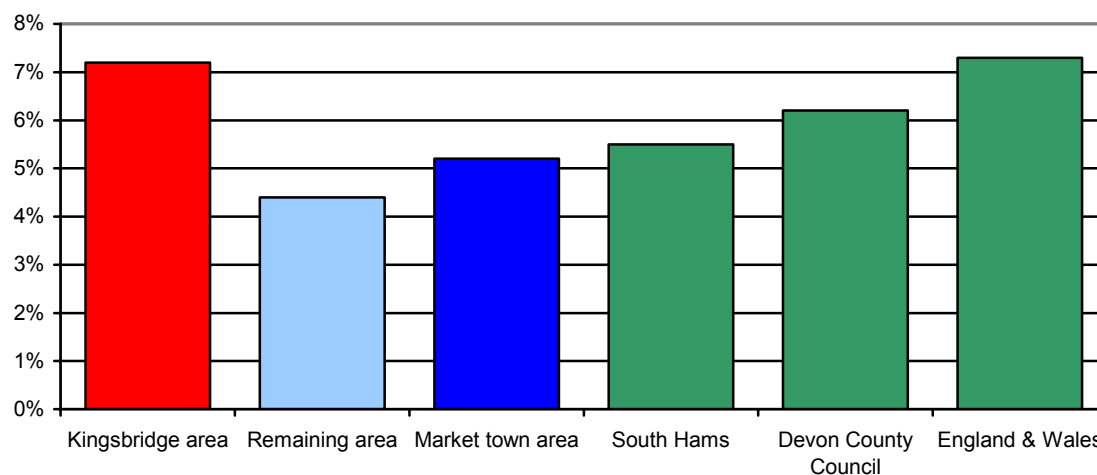
The data below relating to Incapacity Benefit & Severe Disablement Allowance and Disability Living Allowance are based on a best fit of Middle Super Output Areas (MSOAs). There are four MSOAs in the market town area, one of which forms an area similar to Kingsbridge parish. A further three provide a best fit for the remaining area.

Incapacity Benefit & Severe Disablement Allowance and Disability Living Allowance claimant rates (2004)

Area	Incapacity Benefit & Severe Disablement Allowance			Disability Living Allowance		
	Population aged 16 to 64	All claimants	Claim rate	Total population	All claimants	Claim rate
Kingsbridge area	3,406	245	7.2%	6,052	220	3.6%
Remaining area	9,590	425	4.4%	16,747	460	2.7%
Market town area	12,996	670	5.2%	22,799	680	3.0%
South Hams	49,785	2,730	5.5%	81,874	2,785	3.4%
Devon County Council	429,574	26,670	6.2%	704,510	25,645	3.6%
England & Wales	33,239,665	2,421,940	7.3%	52,042,019	2,341,615	4.5%

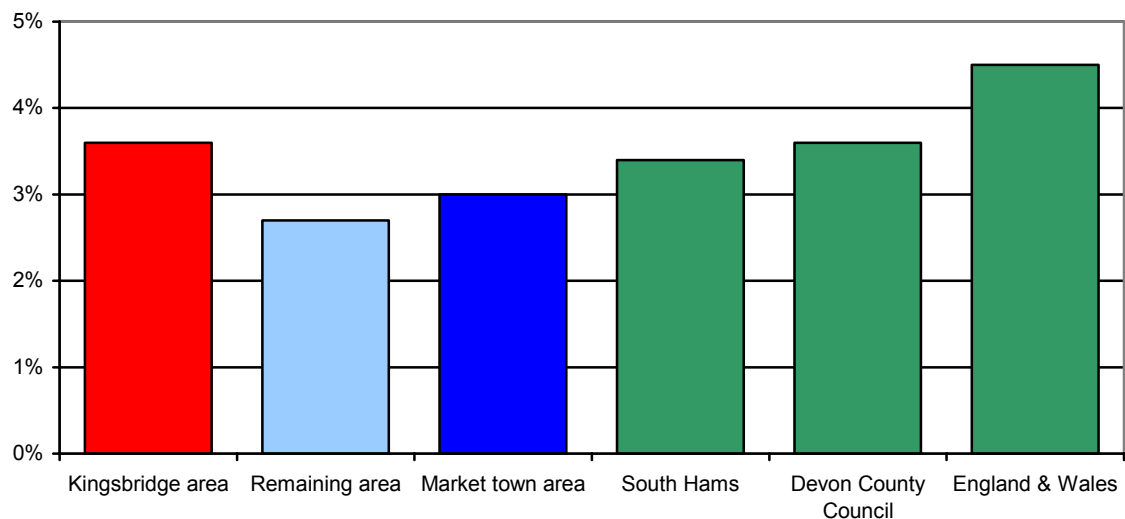
Source: Department for Work and Pensions

Incapacity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance claimant rates (2004)



Source: Department for Work and Pensions

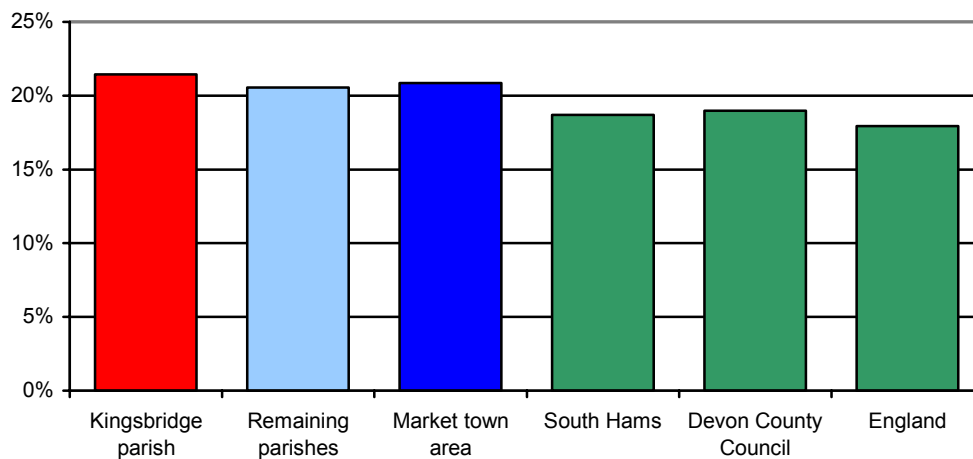
Disability Living Allowance claimant rates (2004)



Source: Department for Work and Pensions

Percentage of people living with a limiting long-term illness (2001)

Area	All people	People living with a limiting long-term illness	% people living with a limiting long-term illness
Kingsbridge parish	5,521	1,184	21.4%
Remaining parishes	11,293	2,322	20.6%
Market town area	16,814	3,506	20.9%
South Hams	81,849	15,305	18.7%
Devon County Council	704,493	133,756	19.0%
England	49,138,831	8,809,194	17.9%



Source: 2001 Census

General health (2001)

Area	All people	People describing their health as good or fairly good		People describing their health as not good	
		Number	%	Number	%
Kingsbridge parish	5,521	5,000	90.6%	521	9.4%
Remaining parishes	11,293	10,324	91.4%	969	8.6%
Market town area	16,814	15,324	91.1%	1,490	8.9%
South Hams	81,849	75,179	91.9%	6,670	8.1%
Devon County Council	704,493	643,988	91.4%	60,505	8.6%
England	49,138,831	44,702,955	91.0%	4,435,876	9.0%

Source: 2001 Census

Older People

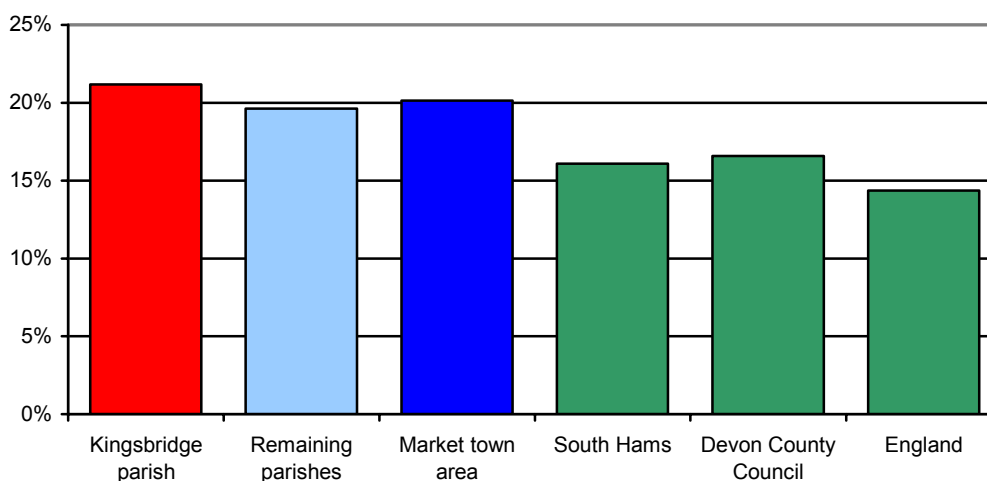
Summary

20% of households in the market town area are occupied by lone pensioners. This is noticeably above the county and national averages.

The rate of Social Services clients is significantly higher in Kingsbridge parish compared to the district and county averages.

Percentage of lone pensioner households (2001)

Area	Total households	Households occupied by lone pensioners	% households occupied by lone pensioners
Kingsbridge parish	2,473	524	21.2%
Remaining parishes	5,105	1,002	19.6%
Market town area	7,578	1,526	20.1%
South Hams	34,810	5,605	16.1%
Devon County Council	298,205	49,466	16.6%
England	20,451,427	2,939,465	14.4%



Source: 2001 Census.

Number of Social Services clients per 1,000 population (2004)

Area	Clients by age group per 1,000 population of the same age group			
	50-64	65-74	75-84	85 and over
Kingsbridge parish	16.2	57.3	159.3	425.1
Remaining parishes	12.6	28.4	117.3	379.2
Market town area	13.6	35.9	130.9	395.4
South Hams	11.8	37.3	141.3	444.6
Devon County Council	14.9	40.6	142.0	460.3

Source: Adult and Community Services, Devon County Council

Children and Young People

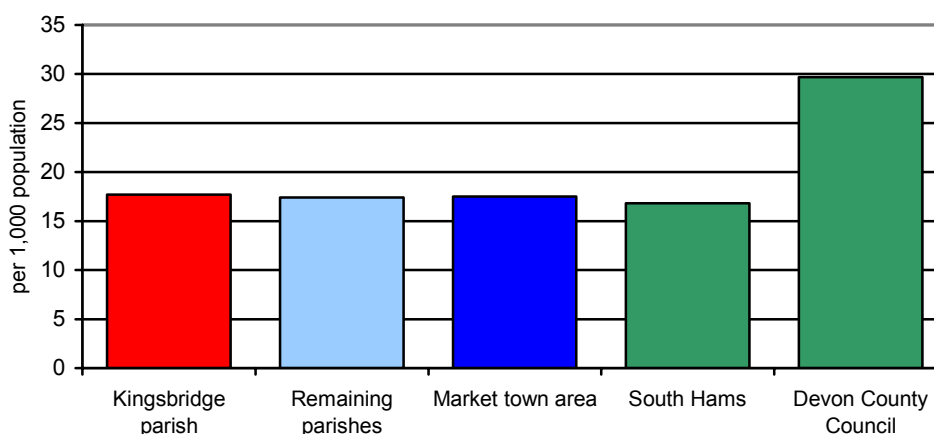
Summary

The proportion of children in need is similar to the district average but below the county average. The urban centre has similar rate to its surrounding hinterland.

The proportion of young offenders is significantly higher in the Kingsbridge wards compared to the surrounding hinterland. The profile area saw a drop in offenders from 2001 to 2002.

Children in need aged 0 to 17 years per 1,000 population aged 0 to 17 years (2003/04)

Area	Number of children aged 0 to 17	Number of children in need aged 0 to 17	Children in need aged 0 to 17 per 1,000 population aged 0 to 17
Kingsbridge parish	1,132	20	17.7
Remaining parishes	1,778	31	17.4
Market town area	2,910	51	17.5
South Hams	16,756	281	16.8
Devon County Council	145,459	4,317	29.7



Source: Children and Young People's Services, Devon County Council

Young offenders aged 10 to 17 years per 1,000 population aged 10 to 17 years (2000 to 2002)

Area	2000	2001	2002
Kingsbridge wards	11.7	16.1	11.2
Remaining wards	6.0	14.9	9.0
Market town area	7.6	15.3	9.6
South Hams	7.7	17.3	11.9
Devon County Council	14.2	20.0	19.3

Source: Youth Offending Team

Community Safety

Summary

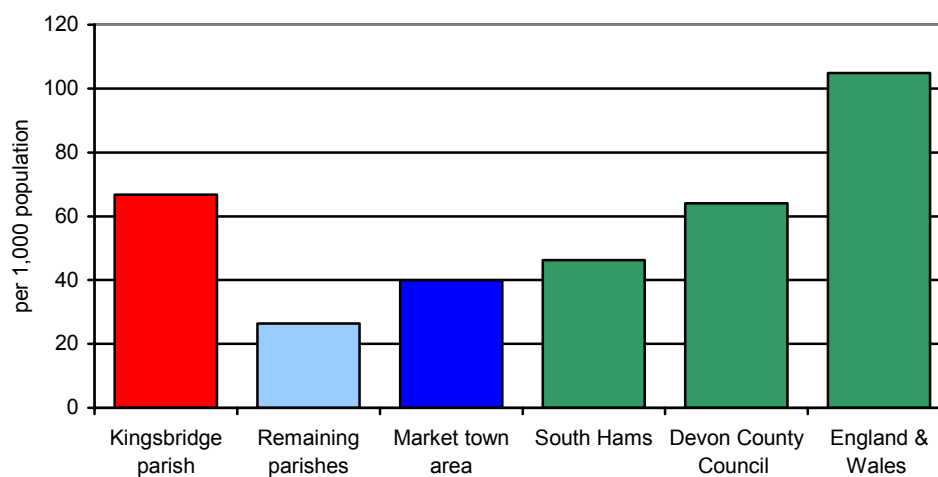
The rate of crime in all types apart from vehicle crime is highest in Kingsbridge parish. Total crime rates in the profile area are below all three comparatives.

All crime rates in the profile area are below the national average.

Data comprises addressable data only, and as such rates are based on approx 92% of all crime.

Total crime per 1,000 population (2004/05)

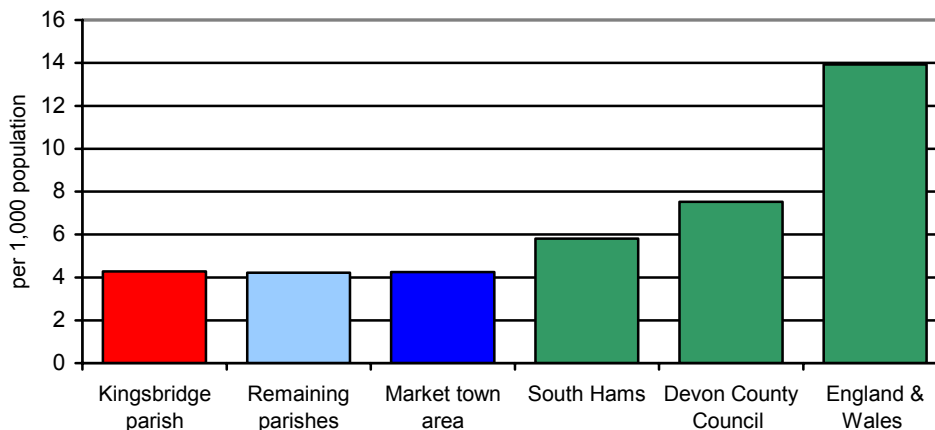
Area	Population	Total number of crimes	Crimes per 1,000 population
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	390	66.7
Remaining parishes	11,604	307	26.5
Market town area	17,449	697	39.9
South Hams	85,921	3,972	46.2
Devon County Council	742,911	47,612	64.1
England & Wales	53,045,600	5,562,700	104.9



Source: Devon & Cornwall Constabulary (Amethyst)

Vehicle crime per 1,000 population (2004/05)

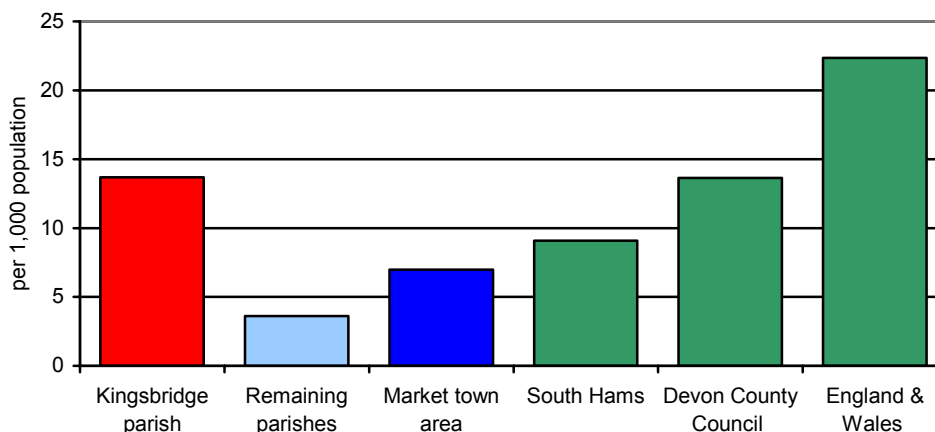
Area	Population	Number of vehicle crimes	Vehicle crimes per 1,000 population
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	25	4.3
Remaining parishes	11,604	49	4.2
Market town area	17,449	74	4.2
South Hams	85,921	499	5.8
Devon County Council	742,911	5,594	7.5
England & Wales	53,045,600	738,500	13.9



Source: Devon & Cornwall Constabulary (Amethyst)

Violent crime per 1,000 population (2004/05)

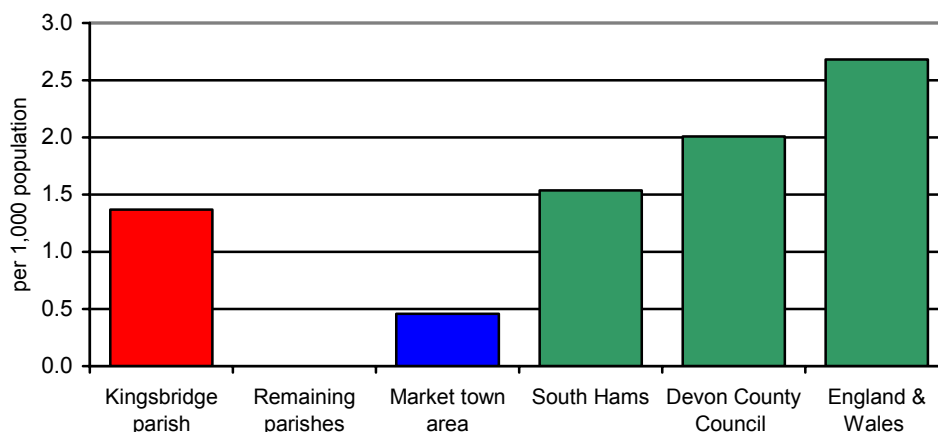
Area	Population	Number of violent crimes	Violent crimes per 1,000 population
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	80	13.7
Remaining parishes	11,604	42	3.6
Market town area	17,449	122	7.0
South Hams	85,921	783	9.1
Devon County Council	742,911	10,138	13.6
England & Wales	53,045,600	1,185,700	22.4



Source: Devon & Cornwall Constabulary (Amethyst)

Drug offences per 1,000 population (2004/05)

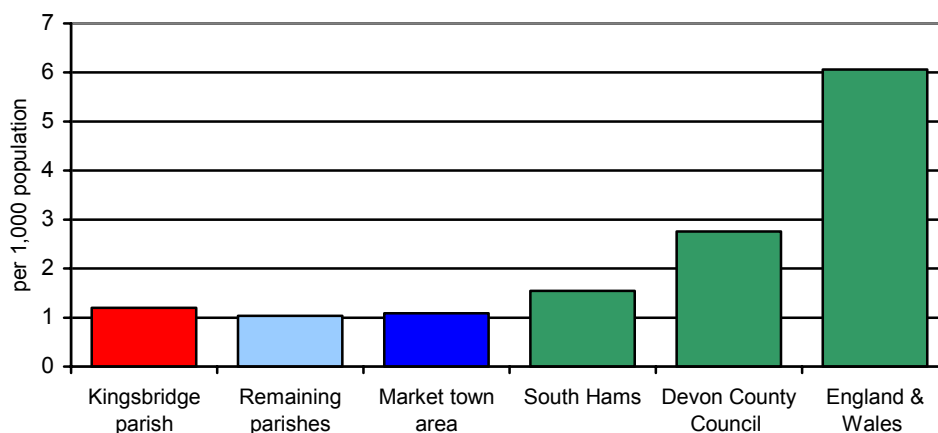
Area	Population	Number of drug offences	Drug offences per 1,000 population
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	8	1.4
Remaining parishes	11,604	-	-
Market town area	17,449	8	0.5
South Hams	85,921	132	1.5
Devon County Council	742,911	1,492	2.0
England & Wales	53,045,600	142,300	2.7



Source: Devon & Cornwall Constabulary (Amethyst)

Dwelling burglaries per 1,000 population (2004/05)

Area	Population	Number of dwelling burglaries	Dwelling burglaries per 1,000 population
Kingsbridge parish	5,845	7	1.2
Remaining parishes	11,604	12	1.0
Market town area	17,449	19	1.1
South Hams	85,921	133	1.5
Devon County Council	742,911	2,046	2.8
England & Wales	53,045,600	321,500	6.1



Source: Devon & Cornwall Constabulary (Amethyst)

Housing

Summary

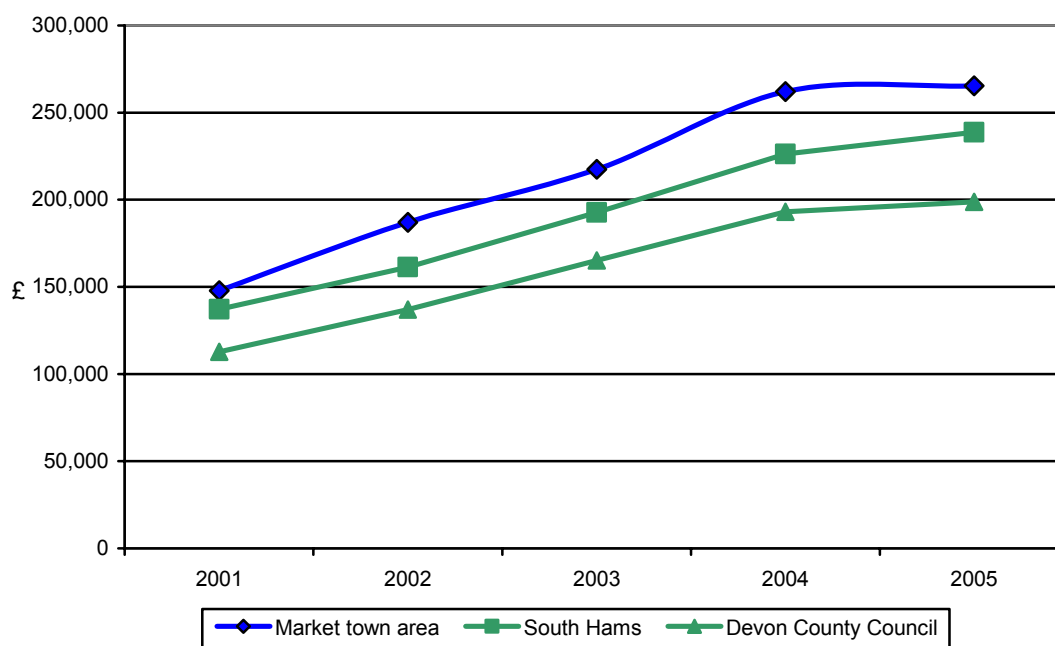
House prices outside of Kingsbridge parish are currently around 37.5% higher than those in the parish. The average house price in the market town area has increased by around 80% in the four years from 2001 to 2005.

In 2004 average house prices within the market town area are significantly higher than the national average.

The level of owner occupied dwellings in Kingsbridge parish is noticeably lower than the district and county averages. Conversely, there is a higher percentage of housing association housing in Kingsbridge parish compared to the district and county averages.

House price change (2001 to 2005)

Area	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	% change 2001 - 2005
Kingsbridge parish	£110,760	£152,543	£174,475	£205,514	£215,810	94.8%
Remaining parishes	£172,874	£208,083	£251,169	£306,901	£296,998	71.8%
Market town area	£147,864	£187,051	£217,499	£262,102	£265,425	79.5%
South Hams	£137,166	£161,400	£192,718	£226,370	£238,815	74.1%
Devon County Council	£112,752	£136,982	£165,267	£193,056	£198,835	76.4%



Source: Land Registry

Note: Data comprises sales between April and December 2001, all sales in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and from January to March 2005.

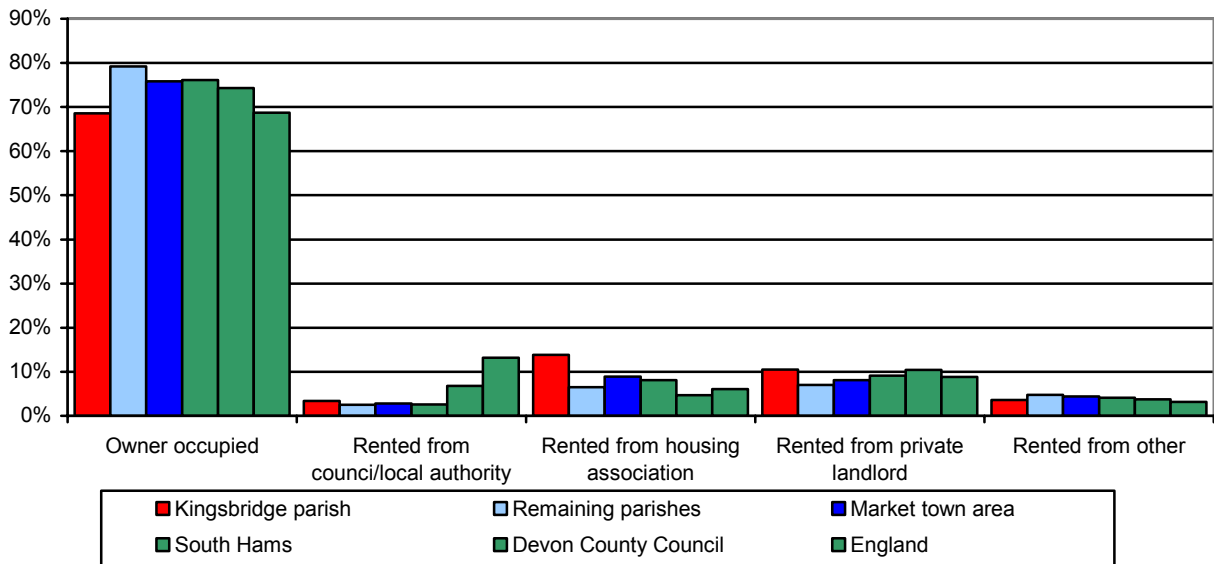
Average house price (2004)

Area	Detached	Semi-Detached	Terraced	Flat/Maisonette	Overall
Kingsbridge parish	£285,716	£202,760	£188,101	£142,443	£205,514
Remaining parishes	£335,966	£246,956	£259,585	£370,880	£306,901
Market town area	£319,216	£228,015	£218,737	£267,322	£262,102
South Hams	£303,713	£194,404	£178,160	£209,510	£226,370
Devon County Council	£266,940	£180,252	£157,985	£138,260	£193,045
England & Wales	£270,745	£162,379	£136,862	£168,298	£178,504

Source: Land Registry

Percentage of dwellings by tenure (2001)

Area	All households	Owner occupied	Rented accommodation			
			Local authority	Housing association	Private	Other
Kingsbridge parish	2,473	68.6%	3.4%	13.8%	10.5%	3.6%
Remaining parishes	5,106	79.2%	2.5%	6.5%	7.0%	4.8%
Market town area	7,579	75.8%	2.8%	8.9%	8.1%	4.4%
South Hams	34,810	76.1%	2.6%	8.1%	9.1%	4.1%
Devon County Council	298,576	74.3%	6.8%	4.7%	10.4%	3.8%
England	20,451,427	68.7%	13.2%	6.1%	8.8%	3.2%



Source: 2001 Census

Transport

Summary

There are higher levels of car ownership outside Kingsbridge parish. Around a quarter of Kingsbridge parish households do not have access to a car.

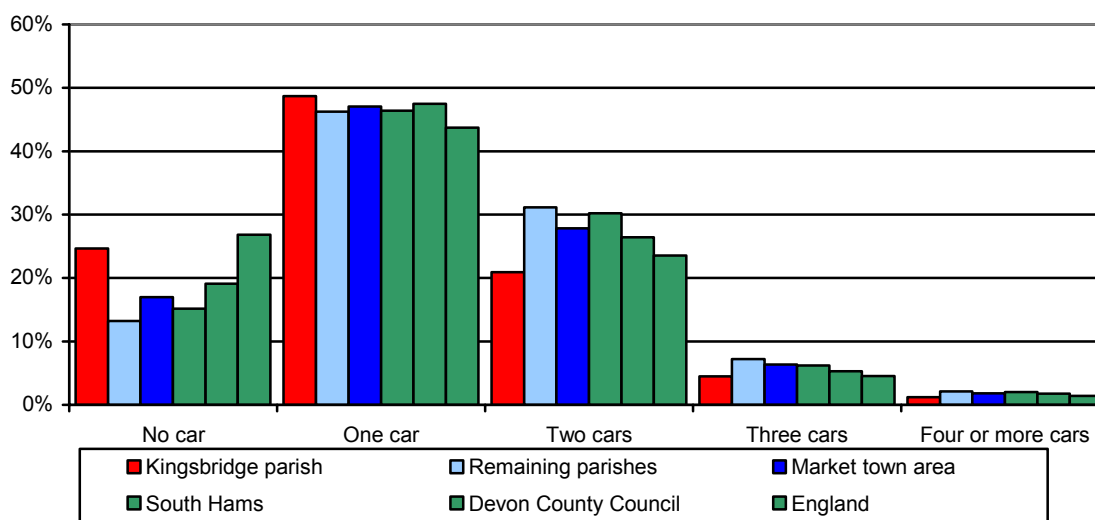
Around 20% of people living in the market town area work from home; this is higher in the remaining parishes. This is above all three comparisons. Within Kingsbridge parish almost a third of people travel to work either on foot or by bicycle, this is noticeably higher than the district, county and national averages.

The percentage of households who can access a shop within 30 minutes by public transport is significantly below the county and national averages in the surrounding hinterland at 51%.

Access to an acute hospital and GP are also significantly below the county and national averages.

Car ownership (2001)

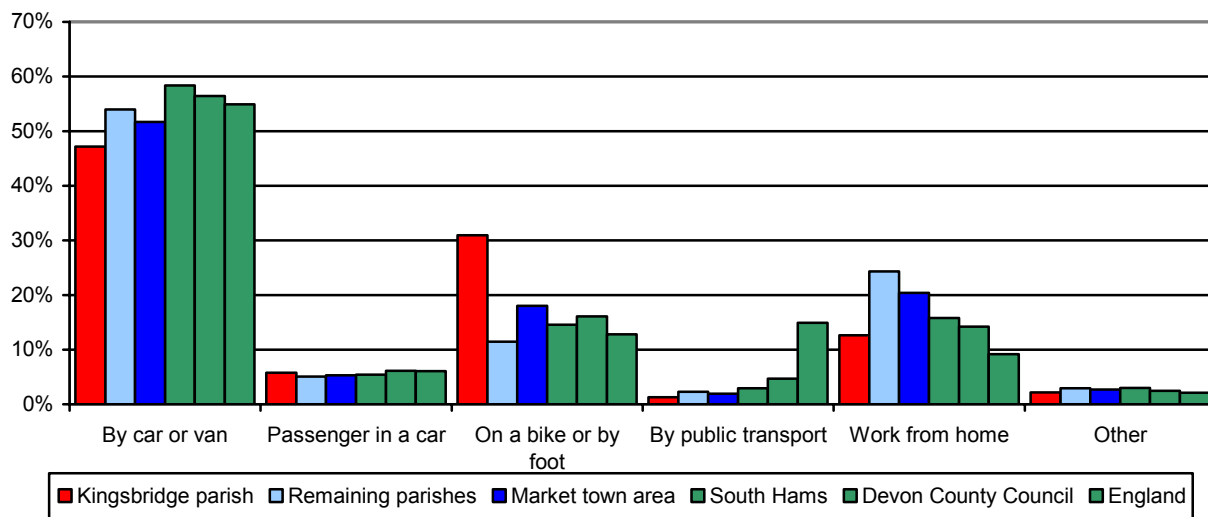
Area	All households	Households with:				
		No car	One car	Two cars	Three cars	Four or more cars
Kingsbridge parish	2,473	24.7%	48.7%	20.9%	4.5%	1.2%
Remaining parishes	5,100	13.2%	46.3%	31.2%	7.2%	2.1%
Market town area	7,573	17.0%	47.0%	27.8%	6.3%	1.8%
South Hams	34,810	15.2%	46.4%	30.2%	6.2%	2.0%
Devon County Council	298,576	19.1%	47.5%	26.4%	5.3%	1.7%
England	20,451,427	26.8%	43.7%	23.6%	4.5%	1.4%



Source: 2001 Census

Mode of travel to work (2001)

Area	All 16-74 year olds in Employment	Percentage of population by mode of travel to work					
		By car or van	Passenger in a car or van	On a bike or by foot	By public transport	Work from home	Other
Kingsbridge parish	2,300	47.2%	5.8%	31.0%	1.3%	12.7%	2.2%
Remaining parishes	4,546	54.0%	5.1%	11.4%	2.3%	24.3%	2.9%
Market town area	6,846	51.7%	5.3%	18.0%	2.0%	20.4%	2.7%
South Hams	37,003	58.3%	5.4%	14.5%	2.9%	15.8%	3.0%
Devon County Council	314,267	56.4%	6.1%	16.1%	4.7%	14.2%	2.5%
England	22,441,498	54.9%	6.1%	12.8%	14.9%	9.2%	2.1%



Source: 2001 Census

The data below relating to accessibility by public transport are based on a best fit of Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs).

Accessibility by public transport (2005)

Area	Number of households	Percentage of households that can access:		
		Acute hospital within 60 minutes	GP within 30 minutes	Shops within 30 minutes
Kingsbridge area	1,779	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Remaining area	6,674	0.0%	68.0%	51.6%
Market town area	8,453	0.0%	74.7%	61.8%
South Hams	34,795	42.2%	81.9%	80.0%
Devon County Council	298,578	66.7%	86.6%	85.2%
England	17,436,116	82.8%	95.2%	94.4%

Source: Department for Transport

Note: Acute hospitals are establishments which provide at least minimal medical, surgical or obstetrical services for inpatient treatment and/or care, and which provide round-the-clock comprehensive qualified nursing service as well as other necessary professional services. Most patients require a relatively short stay.

The Environment – Landscape

Summary

In 2002 Devon County Council undertook and published a landscape appraisal of the county which included a landscape character assessment. The result of this assessment was the division of the County into 32 Landscape Character Zones. The Kingsbridge market town area contains three Landscape Character Zones.

Landscape character

Landscape character is defined as a distinct and recognisable pattern of elements that occur consistently in a particular type of landscape. Character makes each part of the landscape distinct, and gives each its particular sense of place.

Landscape character has an important role to play in that it informs the Devon County Structure Plan's fundamental landscape policy (CO1), requiring that development should be informed by and sympathetic to the landscape character of the area.

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Ria Coastline

Location - This zone occupies the coast of South Devon between Torbay and Plymouth, enfolding the six separate elements of the Coastal Plateaux Zone. It includes the estuaries of the major South Devon rivers, including that of the Dart upstream as far as Totnes. This zone covers the central part of the market town area.

Designations - The majority of the zone has national landscape recognition as part of the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Some of the most inland parts of the zone are excluded from this, but have been designated as Areas of Great Landscape Value as a landscape of county importance. The coastal fringe has been designated by Devon County Council as Coastal Preservation Area and defined by the Countryside Agency as Heritage Coast.

Key Characteristic Features

- Major estuaries and rias (drowned river valleys) forming large expanses of inland tidal water and mudflats.
- Sudden landform variations adjacent to estuaries and rias.
- Plateau areas between rivers cut by streams and creeks with steeply undulating farmland and woodland.
- Historic settlements.
- Waterside features and water activities.
- Dense network of hedgebanks, green lanes, coastal tree groups, orchards.
- Freshwater coastal lagoons.

South Devon Coastal Plateaux

Location - This zone consists of six separate plateaux on the southernmost coast of Devon between Torbay and Plymouth. The area linking Start Point to the Kingsbridge-Salcombe Estuary and the area linking Bolt Head to Bolt Tail are located within the market town area.

Designations - All the separate parts of the zone have national recognition as part of the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The most coastal parts are also designated by Devon County Council as Coastal Preservation Area and have been defined as Heritage Coast by the Countryside Agency.

Key Characteristics Features

- Unconnected areas of relatively flat coastal plateaux cut by narrow, steep combs which are sometimes wooded.
- Arable or mixed farming landscape with exposed character of windswept, stunted trees.
- Distinctive geological coastal features.
- Historic coastal features – lighthouses, daymarks, coastguard cottages, forts, wrecks.
- No through roads creating “cut off” character.
- Popular recreation locations.

Under Dartmoor

Location – The slightly ambiguous zone title refers to the area of South Devon immediately to the south of Dartmoor. It stretches from Newton Abbot and Totnes in the east to the outskirts of Plymouth in the west, extending south towards Kingsbridge. This zone features in the northern part of the market town area.

Designations – Part of the zone in the north west of the market town area, in the valley of the River Avon, is part of the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, a designation indicating national landscape significance. Much of the remainder of the zone within the market town area has been designated an Area of Great Landscape Value, indicative of a landscape of county significance.

Key Characteristics Features

- A plateau surface dissected by major rivers flowing off Dartmoor.
- Complex, steeply undulating landform shaping the overall plateau, the result of a network of streams and valleys.
- Farming landscape dominated by Dartmoor on the northern skyline.
- Patchwork of fields, small woodlands and hedgerows with some estate planting, including hilltop clumps.
- Scattered settlement of dispersed farmsteads and villages.
- Elements of limestone scenery in the north east.
- Influence of the A38 road along the northern edge.

The Environment – Wildlife and Geology

Summary

The last 60 years have seen many dramatic changes within the English countryside, with increasing urbanisation and shifting patterns of agriculture. Devon has fared better than most, however, being protected by its remoteness and undulating terrain.

There remains much wildlife and geology to enjoy and conserve, and many opportunities exist throughout the County to enhance the natural environment. Landowners, industry and, of course, local communities all have the chance to contribute to the conservation of Devon's rich natural history.

The area around Kingsbridge is packed full of wildlife and this description can only touch upon some of the more notable features. The coastline dominates the area. To the east lies Slapton Ley, a magnificent site supporting a range of habitats including vegetated shingle, coastal lagoon, reedbed, wet woodland and marsh. To the west is the mouth of the Avon with its grazing marshes, saltmarsh and sand dunes, and the river extending inland through valleys cloaked with woodland. Between these two points lies a long coastline with species-rich maritime grassland, heathland and scrub and, in the centre, the Salcombe Estuary with its rich intertidal and sub-tidal flora and fauna. Inland, the area is characterised by its sunken lanes, with their huge, ancient and species-rich hedgebanks. The coastline, in particular, is also of considerable importance for its geology.

As you would expect, these habitats support a wealth of plants and animals. Dippers and kingfishers can be seen on the Avon, and Slapton Ley is of note for its breeding and passage birds. The Salcombe Estuary is used by large numbers of wintering wildfowl and passage waders. One of the most interesting birds found in this area is the curlew, a once common farmland bird now confined to southern Devon but whose numbers are now on the increase thanks to concerted efforts. The coastal grasslands and heathlands are rich in invertebrates, and the inland hedgebanks are home to the balm-leaved figwort, a plant which is nationally scarce but which has good populations here. Of particular note in this area is Andrew's Wood, a Devon Wildlife Trust reserve to the north which is home to Britain's largest known population of the nationally rare heath lobelia.

Key sites

The table below contains information on the key features of some of the most important wildlife sites of this part of Devon. A map is also included to illustrate these.

Site name	Interest	Designation
South Devon Shore Dock	Vegetated sea cliffs and the nationally rare plant, shore dock.	SAC
Andrews Wood	Species-rich grassland, wet heath and woodland; heath lobelia.	SSSI, Devon Wildlife Trust Reserve
Bolt Head to Bolt Tail	Maritime grassland, heathland and scrub, with good invertebrate and breeding bird faunas.	SSSI
Hallsands to Beesands	Noteworthy geological and geomorphological features, this site is of importance for the understanding of coastal erosion processes.	gSSSI
Prawle Point & Start Point	Maritime grassland and scrub, with good invertebrate and breeding bird faunas. Important geological exposures.	SSSI
Salcombe to Kingsbridge Estuary	Rich intertidal and subtidal flora and fauna. Feeding ground for wintering wildfowl and passage waders.	SSSI, LNR
Slapton Ley	Vegetated shingle, coastal lagoon, reedbed, and scrub with breeding, passage and wintering birds.	SSSI, Field Studies Council reserve
South Milton Ley	Freshwater reedbed with breeding and passage birds.	SSSI
Stokenham	Important lichen assemblage.	SSSI

The South Devon Shore Dock SAC, above, consists of Bolt Head to Bolt Tail SSSI and Prawle Point & Start Point SSSI.

In addition to the table above, the Kingsbridge area has 104 **County Wildlife Sites and County Geological Sites**. These cover a range of habitats including coastal grassland, scrub and heath, farmland with important bird interest, ancient semi-natural woodland and neutral grassland, together with important geological features.

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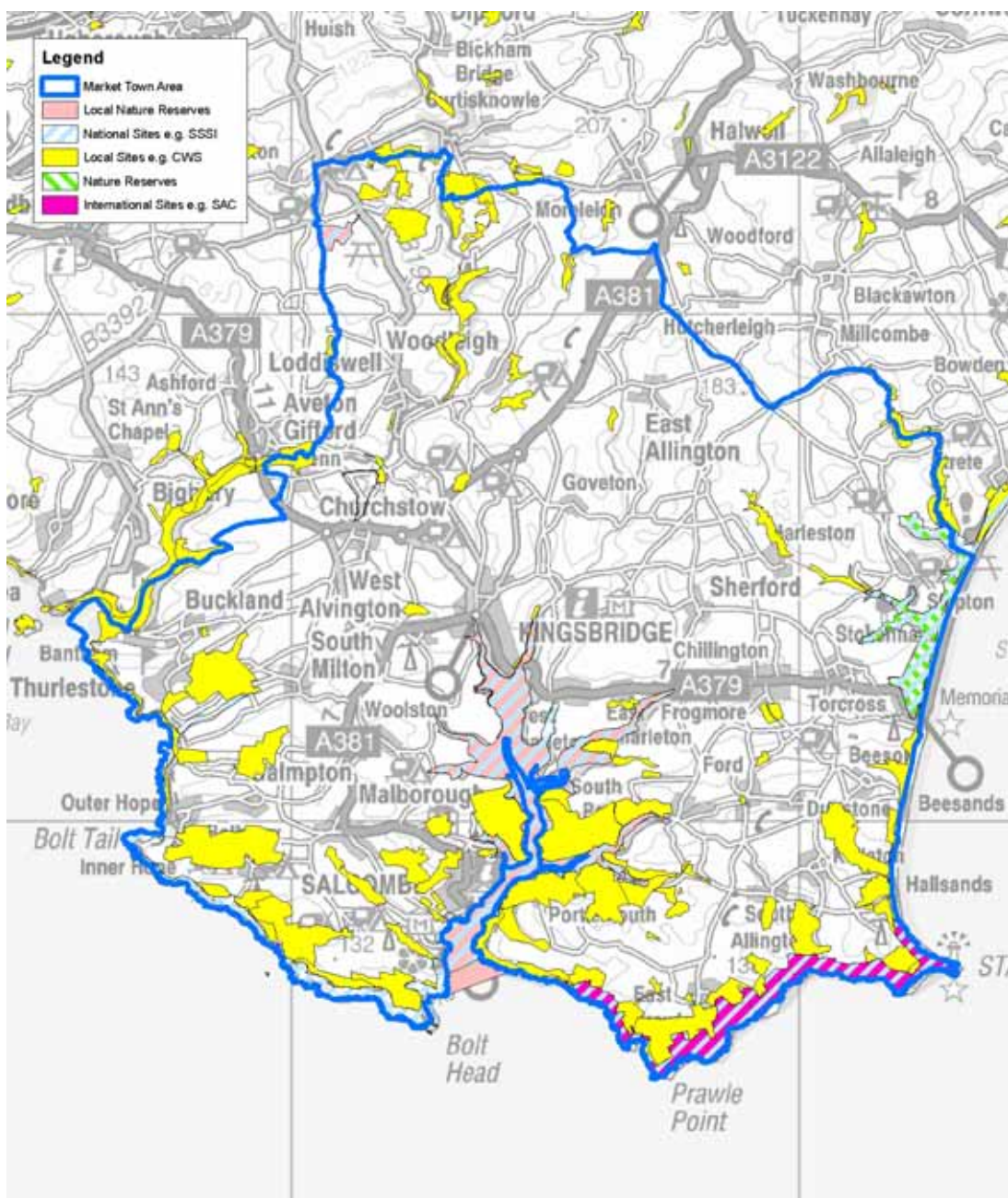
Special Areas of Conservation (SAC): these sites are notified because they contain species and/or habitats of European importance (listed in the Habitats Directive 1994). SAC is a statutory designation with legal implications.

Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI): these sites are notified because of their national importance for wildlife or geological features (gSSSI, above). SSSI is a statutory designation with legal implications. SSSI status does not confer any right of access to the public.

Local Nature Reserves (LNR): these are places with local wildlife or geological interest which offer good opportunities for learning about nature or simply enjoying it. LNR is a statutory designation made by local authorities.

County Wildlife Sites (CWS): these are sites of county importance for wildlife. CWS is not a statutory designation and does not have any legal status, though CWSs are usually included in district planning documents. CWS recognition places no formal obligation on the landowner, but may increase eligibility for land management grants. There are also County Geological Sites of a similar standing.

Key sites within the market town area



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