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Assessment of the Parish of
Fenny Bentley



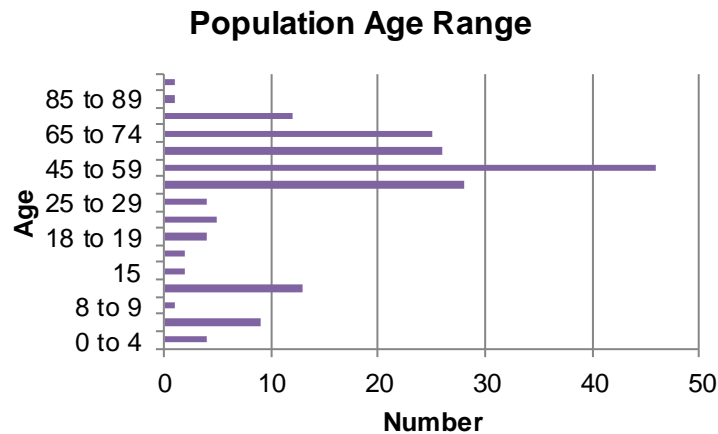
Fenny Bentley is located to the west of the A515, providing it with good access to Ashbourne 2 miles to the south. The Conservation Area was designated in 1997 and describes the village as one of the most southerly villages in the National Park. The village has a surface flowing stream 'Bentley Brook' running to the south, 'the village's name is derived from 'fennig' meaning 'marshy' and 'beonet' and 'leah' which signify a 'bent-grass clearing'.' (Conservation Area Appraisal).

Fenny Bentley is located within the slopes and valleys with woodland area of the Derbyshire Peak Fringe as described within the Peak District Landscape Characteristic Assessment (LSAP 2009).

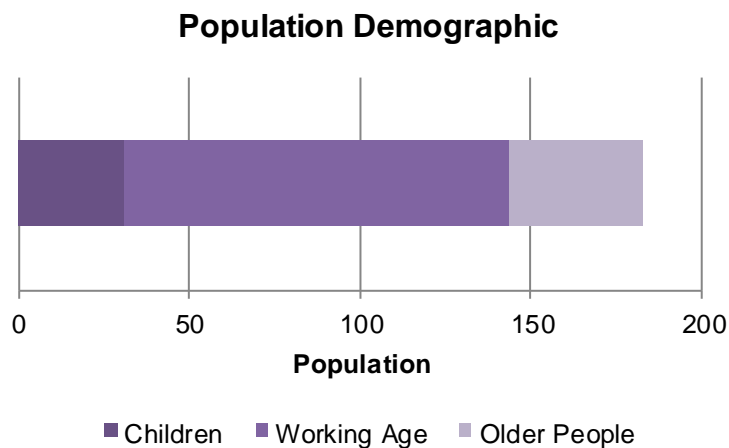
Views from the local community

Population and demographics

The parish of Fenny Bentley has a population of 183 (2011 census). The graph below shows that 45-59 year olds make up the largest percentage of the population.

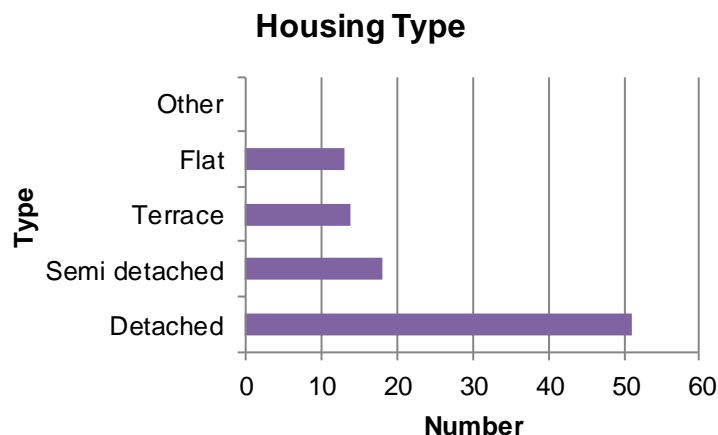


The purpose of the graph below is to give an indication of the balance of children, adult workers and retired persons living within the parishes. Whilst there is no longer a retirement age, the graph below uses an assumed working age of 18-65 year olds.

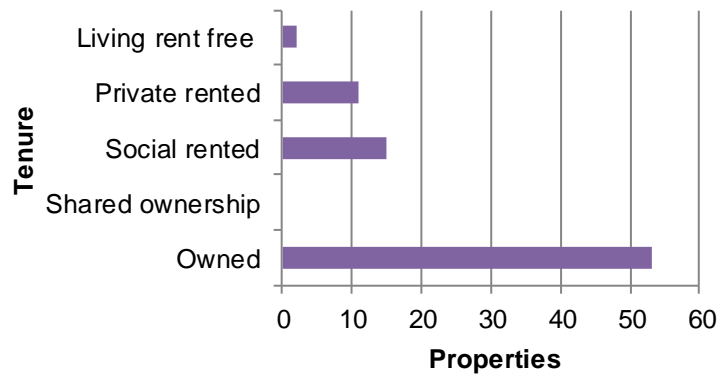


Housing

A sustainable community relies on a mix of housing to attract a mix of people. Below is a breakdown of types and tenures. Detached properties make up 53.1% of properties, semi-detached 18.8%, terraced properties 14.6%, and flats 13.5% of properties in Fenny Bentley parish.



Housing Tenure



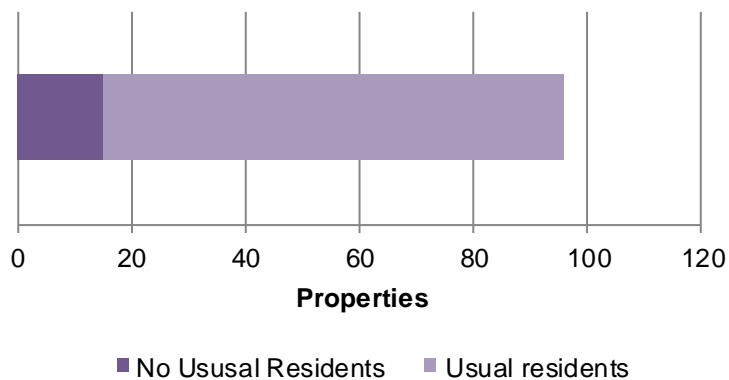
The majority of properties, 65.4%, are owner occupied either with or without a mortgage (no shared ownership). Renting either privately (13.6%) or through a housing association (18.5%) accounts for 32.1% of the housing stock.

There are no care homes in the parish.

Residency

Second homes or holiday lets are a growing concern in the Peak District National Park. Whilst they can provide holiday accommodation to support tourism, a high proportion can alter the dynamics of a village to its detriment. Of the 96 residential properties located in Fenny Bentley Parish, 81 have a 'usual resident', meaning that they are inhabited. There are 15 properties with no 'usual resident' and are therefore second homes, holiday lets, or vacant properties. This equates to 15.6% of properties in the Parish.

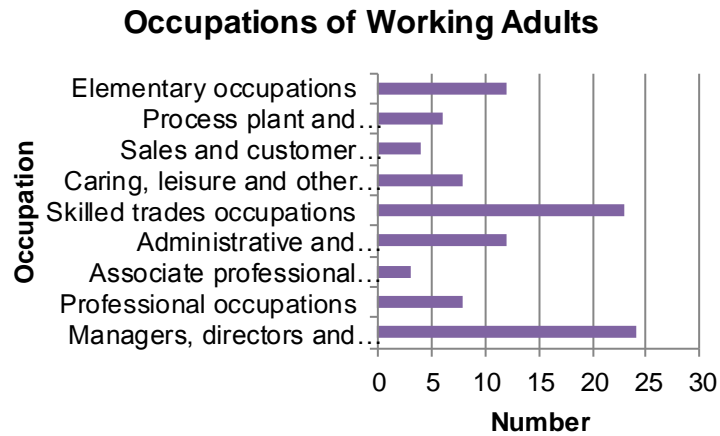
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Employment

Of the total population of Fenny Bentley parish, 73.6% are economically active in either full time, part time work or ad hoc working and 26.4% are economically inactive (19.3% of the total population are retired).

The following graph sets out the occupations of the economically active population. It shows that managers, directors and senior professions and skilled trades occupations are the most common in the area.

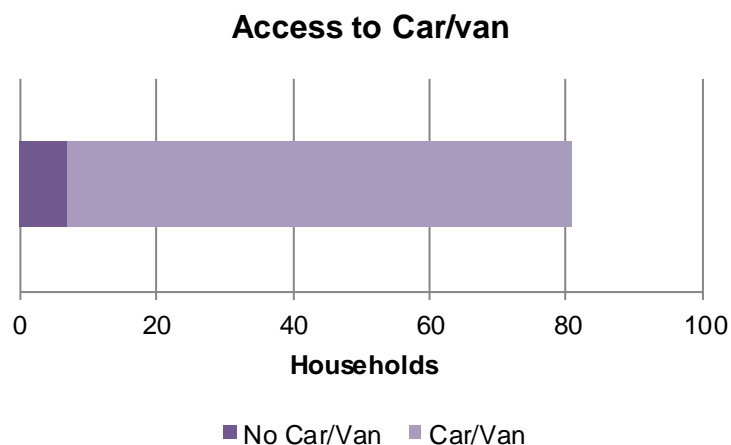


Transport

Public transport is provided by High Peak and Ashbourne Little Bus.

Fenny Bentley	Route	Bus company	Days	Frequency
441/442	Buxton— Ashbourne	High Peak	Mon-Sat	Btwn 08:11—19:41 Approx. every 1-2 hours.
Derbyshire Connect	No specific route but operates around the southeast area of the Peak District and Derbyshire	Ashbourne Little Bus	Mon-Sat	Mon-Fri: Btwn 07:00- 19:00 Sat: Btwn 08:00-19:00

In Fenny Bentley Parish, 93.4% of households own a car or van.



Settlement Amenities

The following tables sets out which amenities are present in Fenny Bentley (Core Strategy DS1 settlement).

Convenience food shop	X
Post Office	X
Primary School	✓
Community Hall	X
Playground	X
Playing field	X
Industrial units	X
Distance to General Practice (miles)	2.5
Within 1 mile of an A or B road	✓
Good public transport route	✓
Public House	✓
Post Box	✓
Church	✓
Car parking (formal/informal)	✓
Broadband	✓
Mobile Library	X
Conservation Area	✓
Village website/newsletter	✓
Village groups	✓
Village events	✓
Tourist accommodation	✓

The following table show the time taken by walking and public transport to reach essential services from Fenny Bentley settlement.

	Service	Time in minutes
Walking	GP	50-60
	Pharmacies	50-60
	Post Office	50-60
	Primary School	0-10
	Secondary School	60+
	Shop/supermarket	50-60
Public Transport	GP	10-20
	Pharmacies	10-20
	Post Office	10-20
	Primary School	0-10
	Secondary School	20-30
	Shop/supermarket	10-20

Fenny Bentley parish groups, traditions and events

Sports clubs	
General	Regular coffee mornings, Fundraising events by the Fenny Bentley Initiative
Traditions	
Events	

Tourism facilities

During the warmer months, the population of settlements can swell dramatically as tourists come to enjoy the Peak District either for the day or to stay. Fenny Bentley parish has bed and breakfast, self catering and camping and caravanning facilities.

Planning

Over the last 5 years 11 planning applications have been approved.

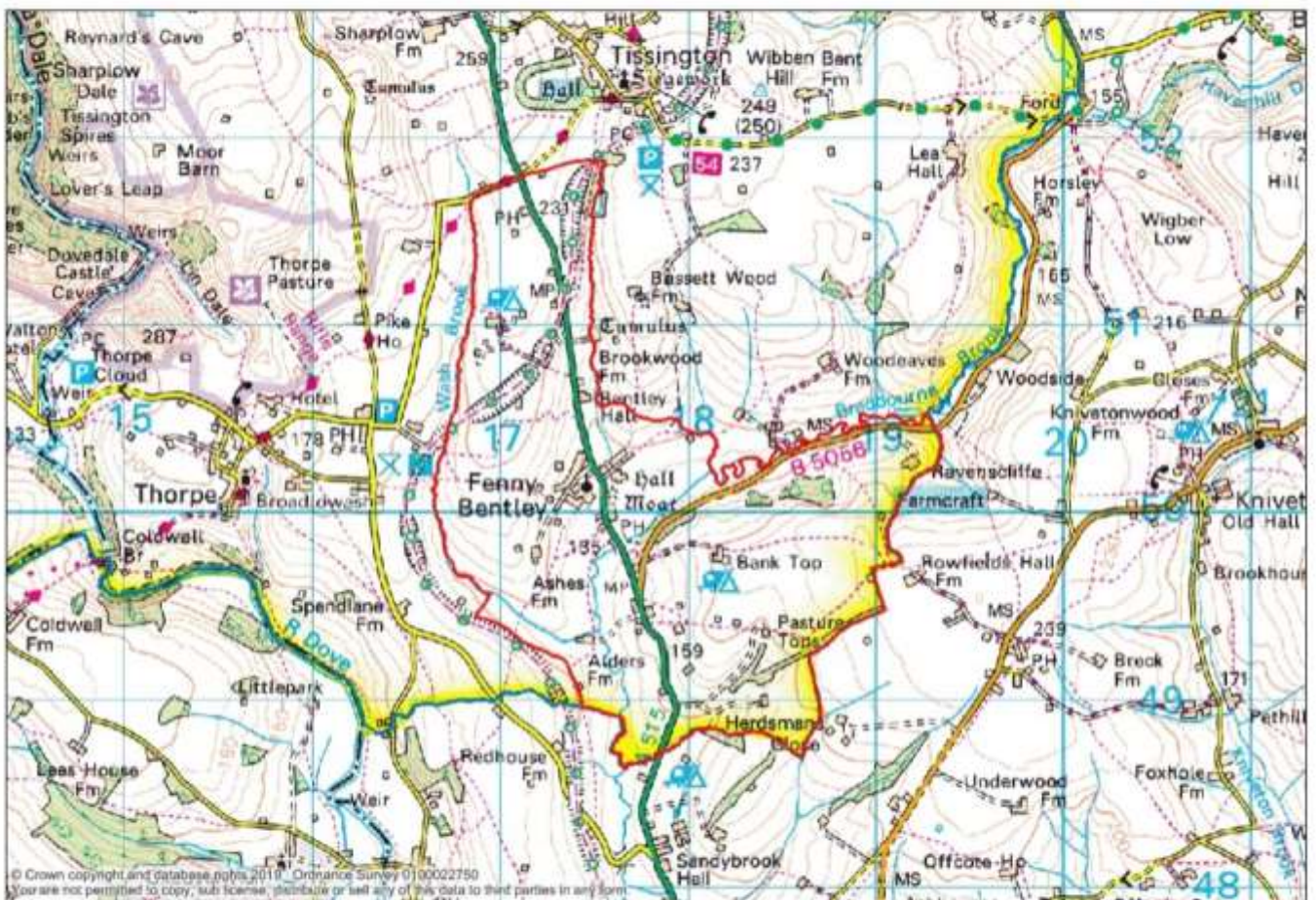
Potential For Affordable Housing

Digital presence

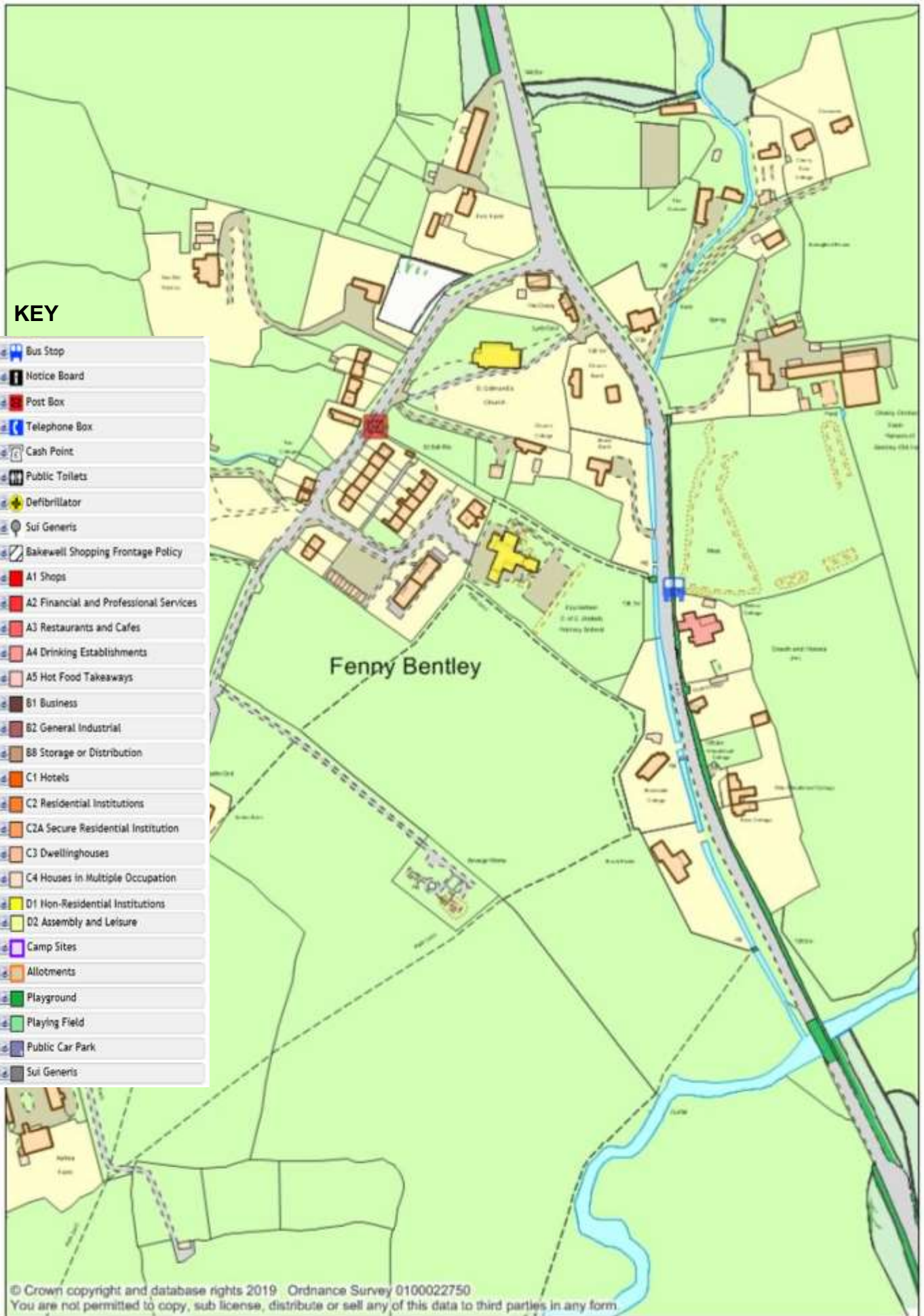
<http://www.fennybentley.org.uk>

Fenny Bentley Community Aspirations

Map of Fenny Bentley Parish Boundary



Map of Fenny Bentley and its services



Data sources

Peak District National Park Conservation Area Appraisals

Peak District National Park Landscape Strategy Action Plan (LSAP)

www.nomisweb.co.uk

Ordnance survey maps

Derbyshire Accessibility Assessment 2016, Derbyshire County Council

<http://www.derbybus.info/times/timetables/>

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