

King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley

Parish Profile



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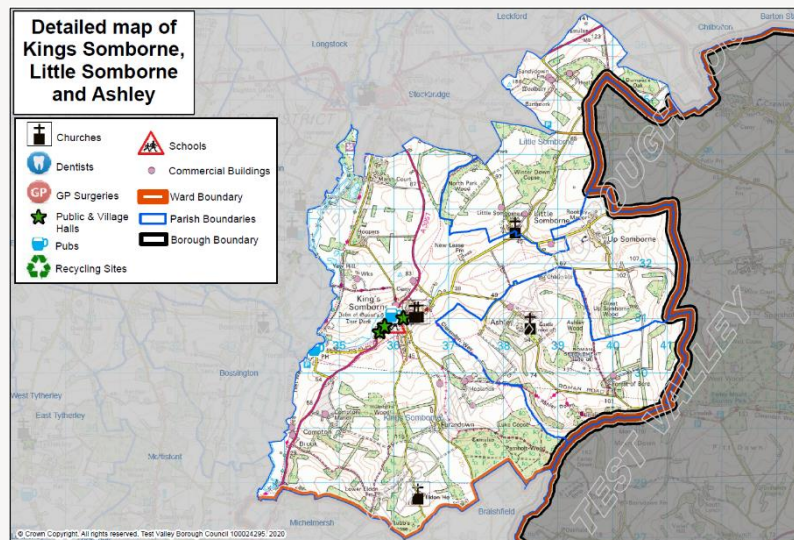


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This profile provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic make-up of the parishes of King's Somborne (which includes the village of Up Somborne), Little Somborne and Ashley within Test Valley. It looks at information on topics such as the population structure, economic, housing, health and educational information for the parish.

Whilst each are separate parishes, they have a collective profile due to Little Somborne and Ashley's respective small populations 78 and 63 respectively. Such small populations means it's impossible to profile either of these parishes independently without possibly identifying specific individuals. For this reason, some data sources, like the 2011 Census, are only available for King's Somborne; where this is the case, it will clearly only refer to King's Somborne and not Little Somborne or Ashley. If you have any questions or queries, please contact the Policy Team at Test Valley Borough Council using the contact information on the final page.

King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley are three of the Test Valley's fifty-nine parishes. King's Somborne has an area of **2722.87** hectares, Little Somborne an area **783.83** hectares and Ashley an area of **764.74** hectares; collectively, they represent 6.81% of the area of Test Valley. In terms of size, King's Somborne is Test Valley's **third largest** parish, Little Somborne its **thirty-fourth largest**, and Ashley its **thirty-sixth largest**. Together, their population is **1,782** and their population density is **0.40** people per hectare, which is lower than the borough's average population density of **2.10** people per hectare.



Census Data

Some of the data used in this profile is taken from the 2011 Census; where this is the case, this is clearly labelled. Though this data is from several years ago, the breadth and volume of information the Census collects means it remains a valuable source of data and a reasonable indication of current trends.

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Population



1,782

Population 2020



0.1%
decrease



1,780

Estimated
population in 2027



1.32% of Test Valley's population

Age breakdown

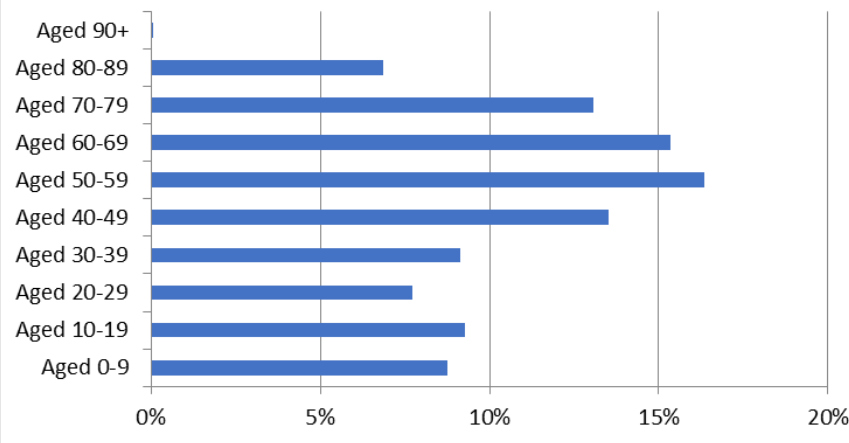
At 18.7% King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley have a smaller percentage of **young people** (aged 0-19) than the borough average of 22.8%. By 2027, the proportion of young people will decrease slightly to 18.1%, and will then be 4.9% lower than the borough average.

At 16.6%, King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley have a lower percentage of **young adults** (aged 20-39) than the borough average of 19.9%. The proportion of young adults living in these parishes is expected to decrease by 0.9% between 2020 and 2027, similar to the expected fall of 1.2% across the borough.

Middle aged residents (aged 40-69) constitute 44.7% of King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley's population, which is higher than the borough average of 40.2%. This is forecast to remain constant up to 2027, 5.1% above the borough average.

At 19.9%, King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley have a larger percentage of those **aged 70 and over**, 2.7% above the borough average. By 2027 this percentage is forecast to increase by 1.6%, a faster rate of increase than the forecast increase for the borough as a whole of 1.5%.

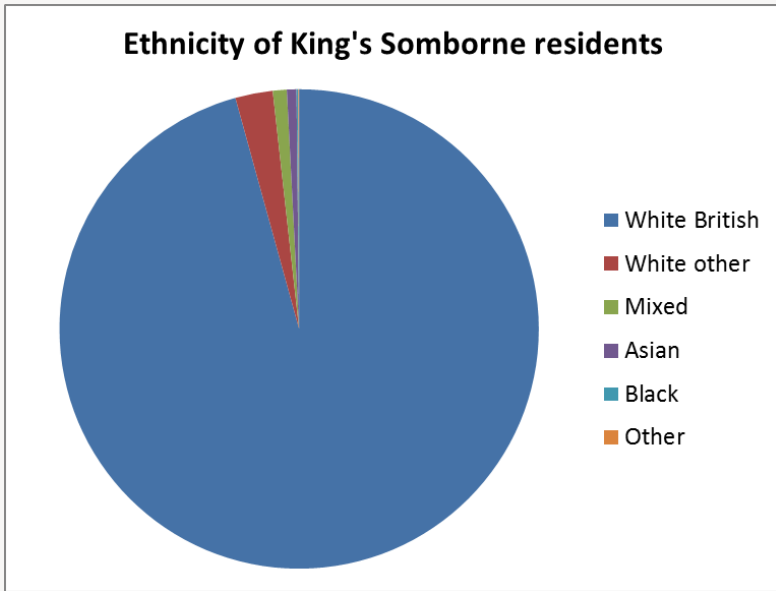
Percentage of the population by age group 2020



Population Data

This population data is taken from the Small Area Population Forecasts (SAPF), provided by Hampshire County Council. Further information on this is available online at: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/facts-figures/population/estimates-forecasts>.

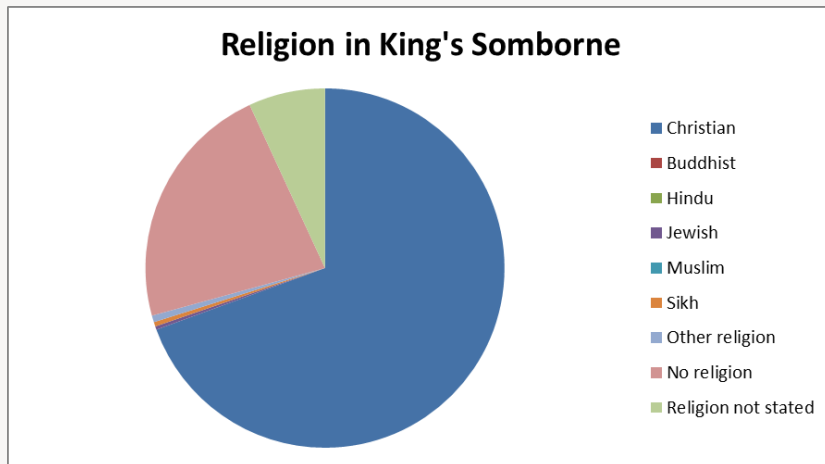
Ethnicity



White British	White other	Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	Asian	Black	Other
95.7%	2.5%	0.9%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%

The graph shows the ethnic groups within King's Somborne by percentage. In the 2011 Census, 95.7% of King's Somborne's population identified as White British. This is above the borough average of 93.1%. King's Somborne's level of ethnic diversity is also lower than England as a whole, where only 79.8% of the population are White British.

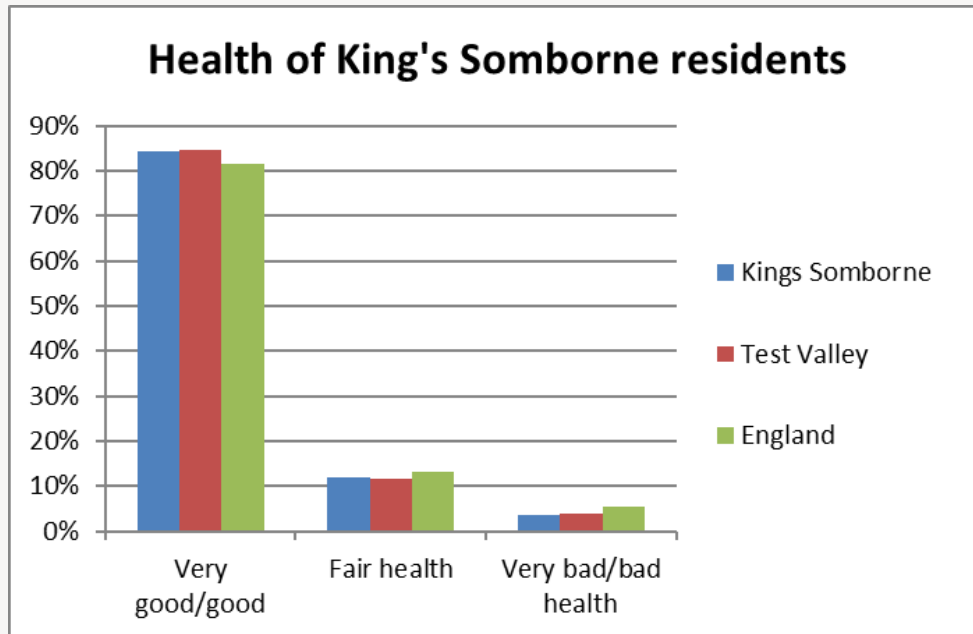
Religion



Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other religion	No religion	Religion not stated
69.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.6%	22.4%	6.9%

At the 2011 Census, the majority of King's Somborne residents (69.5%) classified themselves as Christian, which is higher than the borough average of 65.7% as well as the English average of 59.8%. The next largest group are those that say they have no religion (22.4%), which is lower than both the Test Valley average (25.1%) and the English average (27.7%). Of those groups that do adhere to a religion, Other Religions are collectively the second largest group at 0.6%; this is higher than the equivalent figure for both Test Valley and England where 0.4% of people identify as adhering to Other Religions.

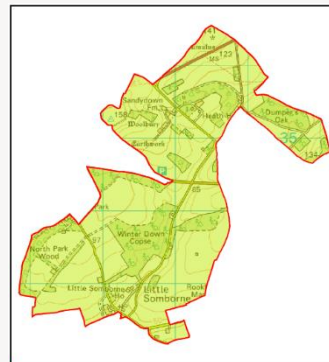
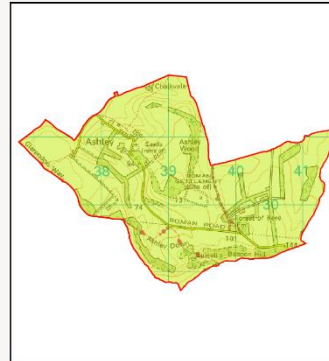
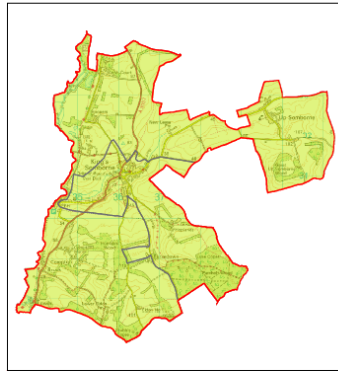
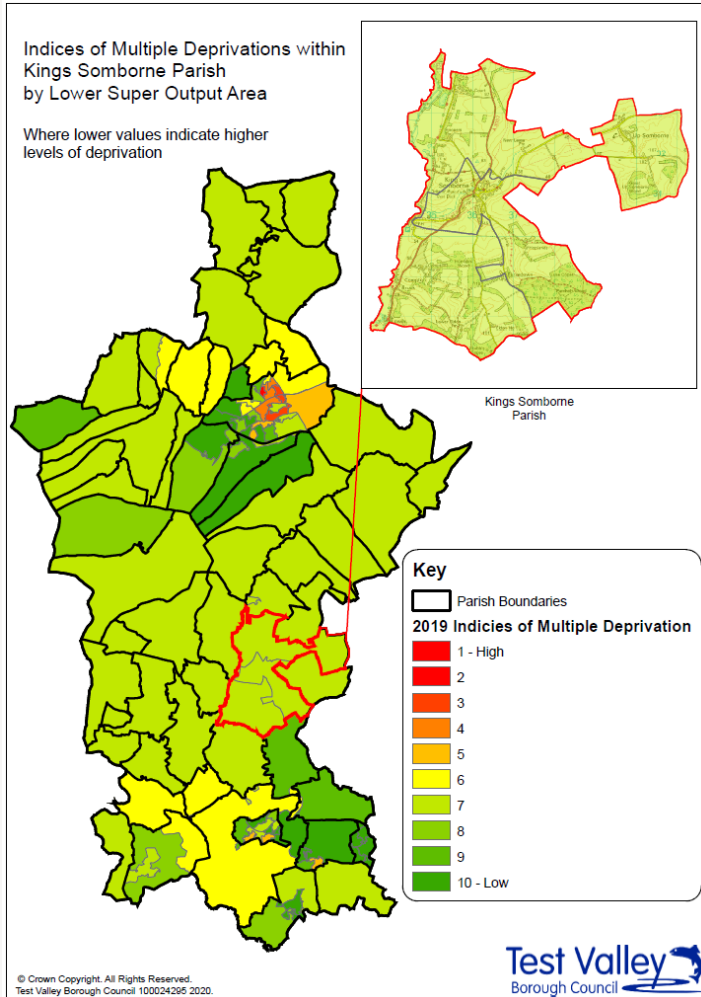
Health



2.6% of King's Somborne residents are long term sick or disabled (2011 Census)

At the 2011 Census, 84.3% of residents in King's Somborne said they felt that they were in very good or good health. This similar to the average for Test Valley (84.6%) and higher than the equivalent figure for England (81.4%). 3.7% of the population rated their health as bad or very bad, which is lower than the borough average (3.8%) and the average for England (5.5%).

Deprivation



The English Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 is designed to identify areas where communities lack resources and are in need. To do this, seven factors are considered, which are:

- income deprivation;
- employment deprivation;
- education, skills and training deprivation;
- health deprivation and disability;
- crime;
- barriers to housing and services;
- living environment deprivation.

Areas are scored on each of these factors, and ranked nationally from least deprived to most deprived.

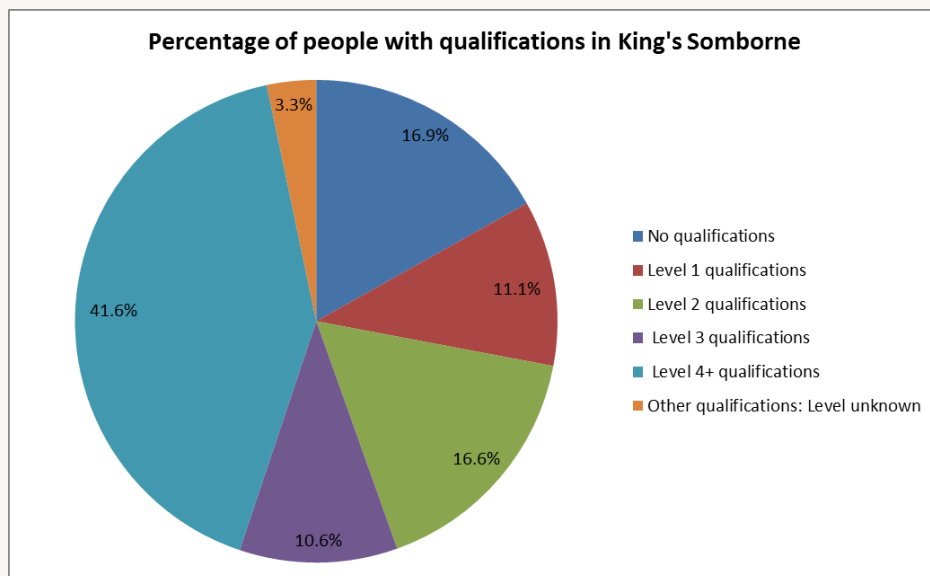
This map shows the deprivation scores for parishes of King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley against all areas in Test Valley. Of 32,844 areas ranked across the country, the village of King's Somborne ranks 20,788th. Similarly, the rural areas of King's Somborne alongside Ashley and Little Somborne rank 20,299th. This puts all three parishes in the **40% of least deprived** areas in the country.

More specifically, all three parishes rank in the top 20% of most deprived areas when it comes to physical proximity of local services. They are also in the top 20% of most deprived areas for its 'indoors' living environment; this is defined by the amount of houses with central heating as well as the proportion of social and private houses that are in a poor condition (as defined by the Decent Homes Standard).

Further information about the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government 2019 English Indices of Deprivation is available online at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019>

Education and employment

Qualifications

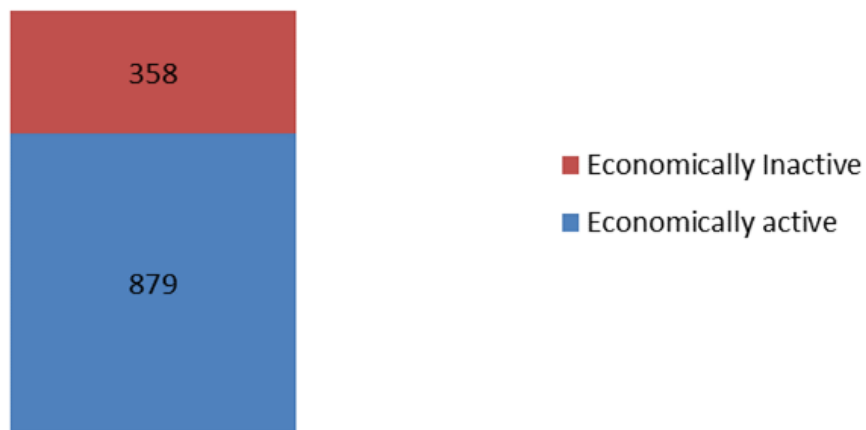


The pie chart shows the qualifications gained by King's Somborne residents aged 16-74 years, according to the 2011 Census. 79.9% of people living in King's Somborne have at least one GCSE or equivalent qualification, a figure which is higher than the Test Valley average of 77.6%. Additionally, 3.3% of residents have an unknown qualification, which is similar to the borough average. This means that 16.9% of King's Somborne residents between 16 and 74 have no academic, vocational or professional qualifications, which is 1.5% lower than the borough average. In addition, 41.6% of King's Somborne residents have a level 4 qualification or above, which is equivalent to at least an undergraduate degree. This is significantly higher than the borough average of 30.5%.

No qualifications	No academic or professional qualifications.
Level 1	1+'O' level passes, 1+CSE/GCSE any grades, NVQ level 1, Basic/Essential skills, NVQ Level 1.
Level 2	5+'O' level passes, 5+GCSEs (grades A*-C) 1 A level/2-3 AS levels. City and Guilds Craft, Apprenticeship, NVQ level 2.
Level 3	2+'A' levels, Higher School certificate, NVQ level 3, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, BTEC National.
Level 4/5	Degree (for example BA, BSc) higher degree (for example Master's, PhD, PGCE), NVQ levels 4 and 5, Qualified Teacher status, Nurse or Accountancy. BTEC Higher level.
Other qualification	Level unknown, vocational/work-related Qualifications, Foreign qualifications.

Economic Activity

Economic activity (count)



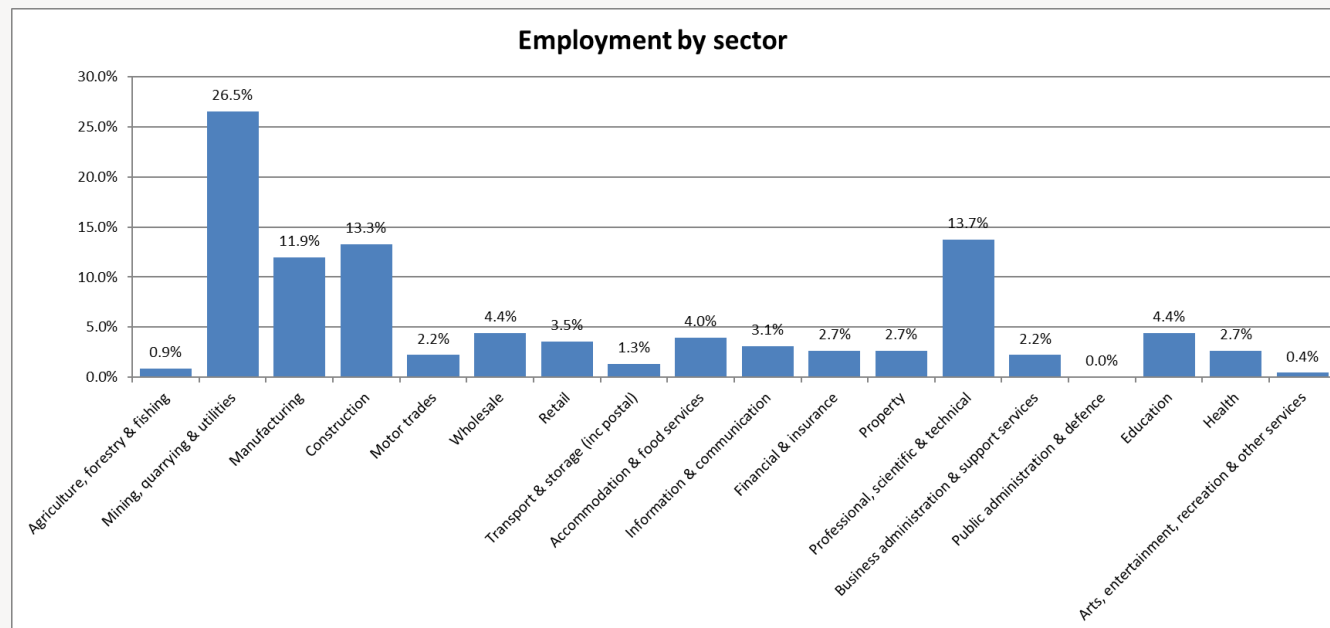
According to the 2011 Census, 71.1% of King's Somborne residents aged 16-74 are economically active, slightly lower than Test Valley as a whole where the figure is 73.4% of residents. This includes people in full-, part- and self-employment, those who are actively seeking a job, and full-time students.

The 28.9% of residents aged 16-74 are economically inactive, compared to 26.6% of Test Valley residents. This includes people who are retired, long-term sick or disabled, or who look after the home and family.

Employment by sector

Following the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) review in 2017, new Ward and Parish boundaries have been introduced in Test Valley. Hence, this information has been produced on a 'best fit' basis, it's not an exact representation of King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley but provides as good an indication as is currently feasible.

This data is taken from the 2018 UK Business Register and Employment Survey which is produced by the Office for National Statistics (ONS). This dataset relies upon a sample of 85,000 businesses across the country, from which these estimates are modelled. As such, there will be some sampling variability which result in the quality of the estimates deteriorating for smaller geographies.



This graph shows the percentage of the workforce by sector, according latest Business Register and Employment Survey in 2018. The largest sector employing people in King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley is Mining, Quarrying & Utilities (26.5%) followed by Professional, Scientific & Technical (13.7%) and Construction (13.3%).

Properties

Total number of properties
in King's Somborne

708

Total number of properties
in Little Somborne

36

Total number of properties
in Ashley

28

Dwellings
(King's Somborne)

19.0%
Terraced



32.5%
Semi-Detached



4.2%
Flat



44.3%
Detached



0.0%
Mobile



Estimated Average Value

King's Somborne

Little Somborne

£311,710

£400,387

£444,834

£756,200

£740,052

£300,844

£808,904

£1,081,469

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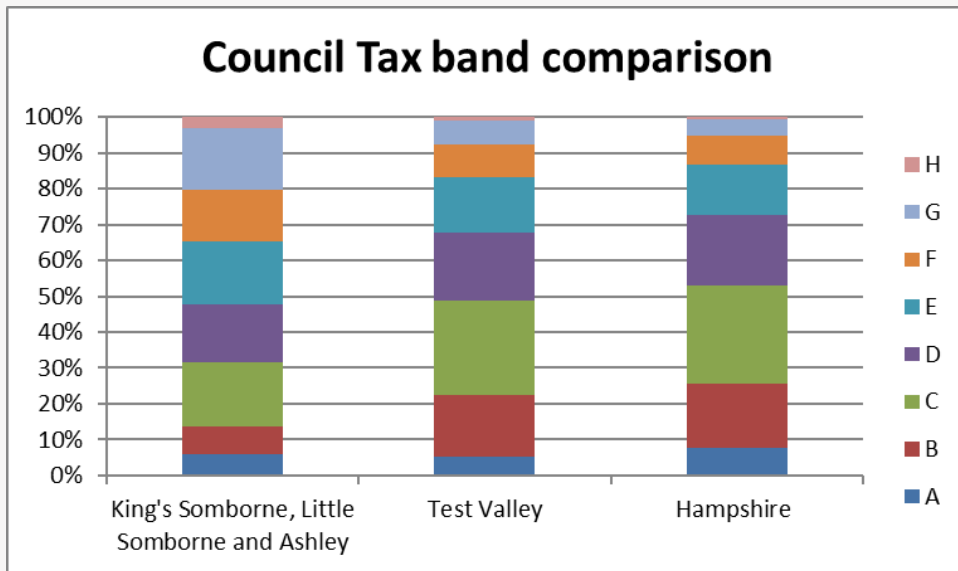
According to Zoopla estimates, the average value of a property in King's Somborne in 2021 is **£658,240**. This is an increase of 9% over the past 5 years and makes King's Somborne the twenty-ninth most expensive parish in Test Valley.




Meanwhile, Zoopla estimates that the average value of a property in Little Somborne is **£923,288**. This is also an increase of 9% over the past 5 years and makes Little Somborne the sixth most expensive parish in Test Valley.

Unfortunately, neither Zoopla nor Rightmove produce property value estimates for Ashley.

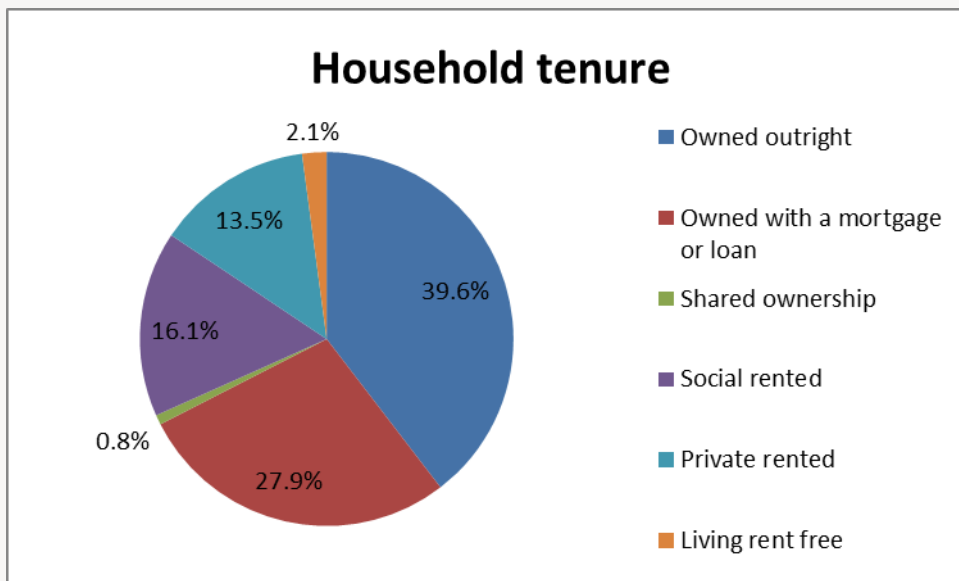
In Hampshire, the average value of a property is £381,137 (a 12% rise in 5 years) whilst in South East England, the average is £424,800 (an 11% rise in 5 years).

Council Tax Bandings



	King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley	Test Valley
Bands F-H 	34.7%	16.9%
Bands C-E 	51.7%	60.8%
Bands A-B 	13.6%	22.3%

Household Tenure



Household tenure refers to the financial arrangements under which people occupy their homes and is taken from the 2011 Census.

This pie chart depicts the tenure of households in King's Somborne. 67.5% of people in King's Somborne live in a property which they own outright or with a mortgage or loan. This is lower than the average for Test Valley, which is 70.3%, but is similar to the average for the South East of England, which is 67.6%.

16.1% of residents rent their property from a Housing Association, higher than the borough average of 14.4%.

13.5% of residents privately rent their property; this figure is higher than the borough average of 12.9%.

Community facilities

Within King's Somborne, Little Somborne and Ashley there are a range of community facilities including the King's Somborne Village Hall, two local shops Epworth Hall, a Working Men's Club, recreation ground, children's play area, allotments and two pubs. Between them, the parishes also four churches, St Peter and St Paul's (King's Somborne), King's Somborne Methodist Church, All Saints' (Little Somborne) and St Mary's (Ashley), the latter two of which are in the care of The Churches Conservation Trust.

The area has a pre-school, the Sombornes Pre-School as well as a primary school, King's Somborne Church of England Primary School. The closest GP surgery is situated in Stockbridge whilst the nearest railway station can be found in Mottisfont and Dunbridge, Romsey or Winchester.



Community plans

King's Somborne and Ashley are both currently in the process of making **Neighbourhood Plans**. Once made, the plan will explore issues that are important to the parish, set out a vision for the area and provide planning policies relating to the use and development of land. Further information about each Neighbourhood can be found below:

King's Somborne: <https://www.testvalley.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planningpolicy/neighbourhood-planning/king-39-s-somborne-neighbourhood-plan-nhp>

Ashley: <https://www.testvalley.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planningpolicy/neighbourhood-planning/ashley-neighbourhood-plan>

Details of any community planning exercises your parish is undertaking can be added here. Please get in touch with the Policy Team at the email address below and we will be more than happy to add information at your request.

Test Valley Borough Council – Policy Team

The information in this profile has been prepared by Test Valley Borough Council's Policy Team. If you have any further queries or would like to talk to us about other information you would like to see, then please contact the Policy Team who will be happy to help:

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