

# Micheldmersh and Timsbury Parish Profile



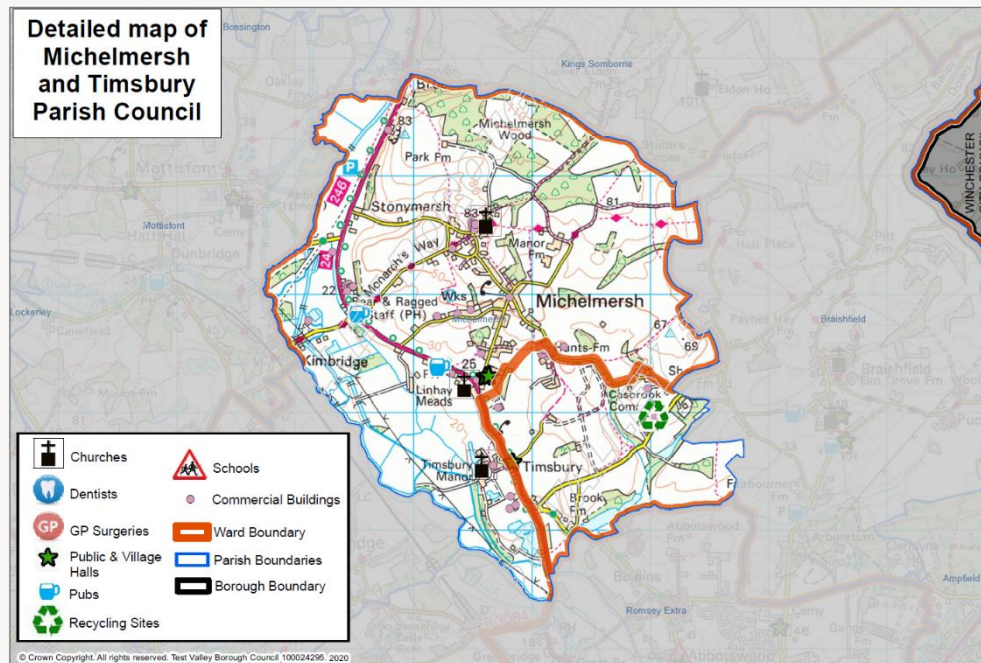
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# Michelmersh and Timsbury Parish Profile

This profile provides a summary of the latest available information on the demographic make-up of the parish of Michelmersh and Timsbury within Test Valley. It looks at information on topics such as the population structure, economic, housing, health and educational information for the parish.

**Michelmersh and Timsbury** is one of the Test Valley's fifty-nine parishes. It has an area of **1127.85** hectares which represents **1.80%** of the total area of Test Valley; in terms of size, **Michelmersh and Timsbury** is Test Valley's **twenty-second largest** parish. The parish's population is **915** and its population density is **0.81** 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



915

Population 2020



0.8%  
decrease



922

Estimated  
population in 2027



0.69% of Test Valley's population

## Age breakdown

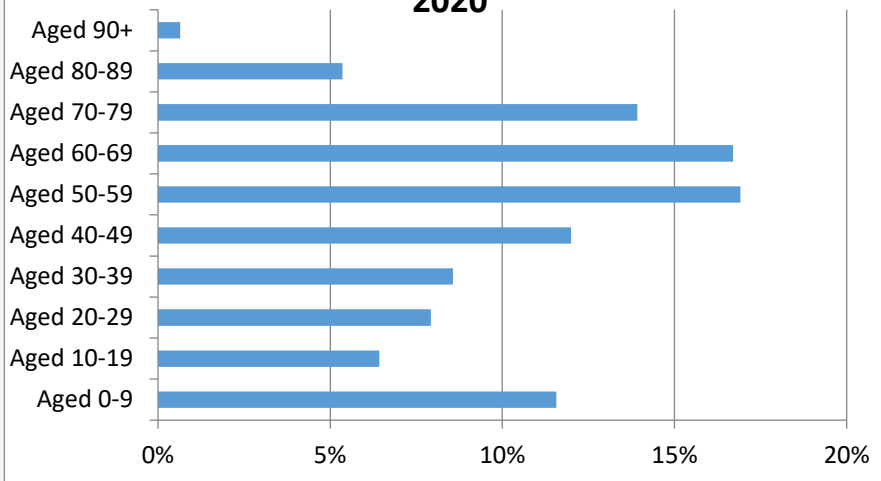
At 19.7% Michelmersh and Timsbury has a smaller percentage of **young people** (aged 0-19) than the borough average of 22.8%. By 2027, the proportion of young people will decrease to 17.4% and will be 5.6% lower than the borough average.

At 17%, Michelmersh and Timsbury has smaller amount of **young adults** (aged 20-39) than the wider borough at 19.9%. The proportion of young adults living in the parish is expected to increase by 0.5% between 2020 and 2027, compared to a fall of 1.2% across the borough.

**Middle aged residents** (aged 40-69) constitute 45.6% of Michelmersh and Timsbury's population, which is higher than the borough average of 40.2%. This is forecast to decrease to 43.5% by 2027, 3.9% above the borough average.

At 17.7%, Michelmersh and Timsbury has a similar percentage of those **aged 70 and over**, 0.5% above the borough average. By 2027 this percentage is forecast to increase by 3.9%, a faster rate of increase than compared to the forecast increase of 1.5% for the borough as a whole.

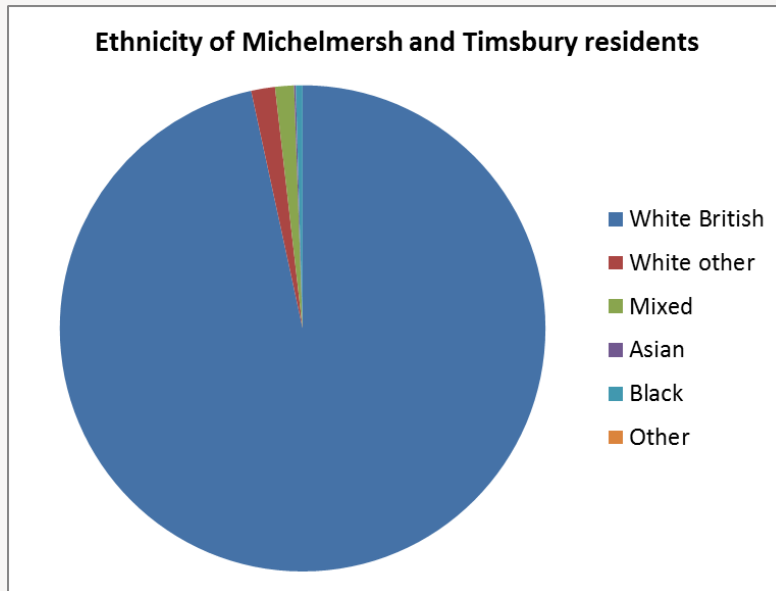
Percentage of the population by age group  
2020



## 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>.

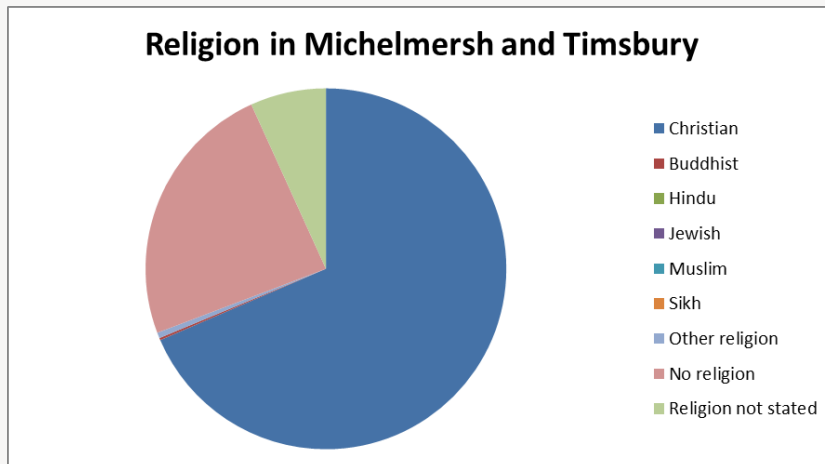
## Ethnicity



White British	White other	Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	Asian	Black	Other
96.6%	1.6%	1.2%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%

The graph shows the ethnic groups within Michelmersh and Timsbury by percentage. In the 2011 Census, 96.6% of Michelmersh and Timsbury's population identified as White British. This is slightly higher than the borough average of 93.1%. Michelmersh and Timsbury's level of ethnic diversity is also lower than England as a whole, where only 79.8% of the population are White British.

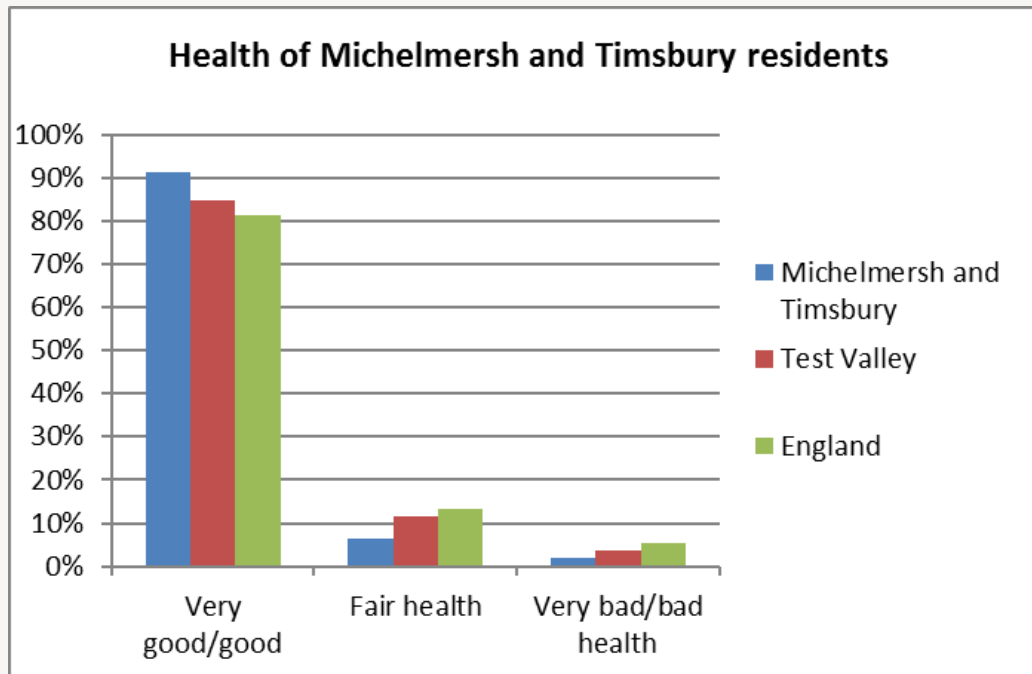
## Religion



Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other religion	No religion	Religion not stated
68.6%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	24.0%	6.8%

At the 2011 Census, the majority of Michelmersh and Timsbury residents (68.6%) classify themselves as Christian, which is higher than both the borough average of 65.7% and English average of 59.8%. The next largest group are those that say they have no religion (24.0%) 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 0.5%, which is higher than the equivalent figures for both Test Valley and England as a whole, where 0.4% of people identified as adhering to Other Religions.

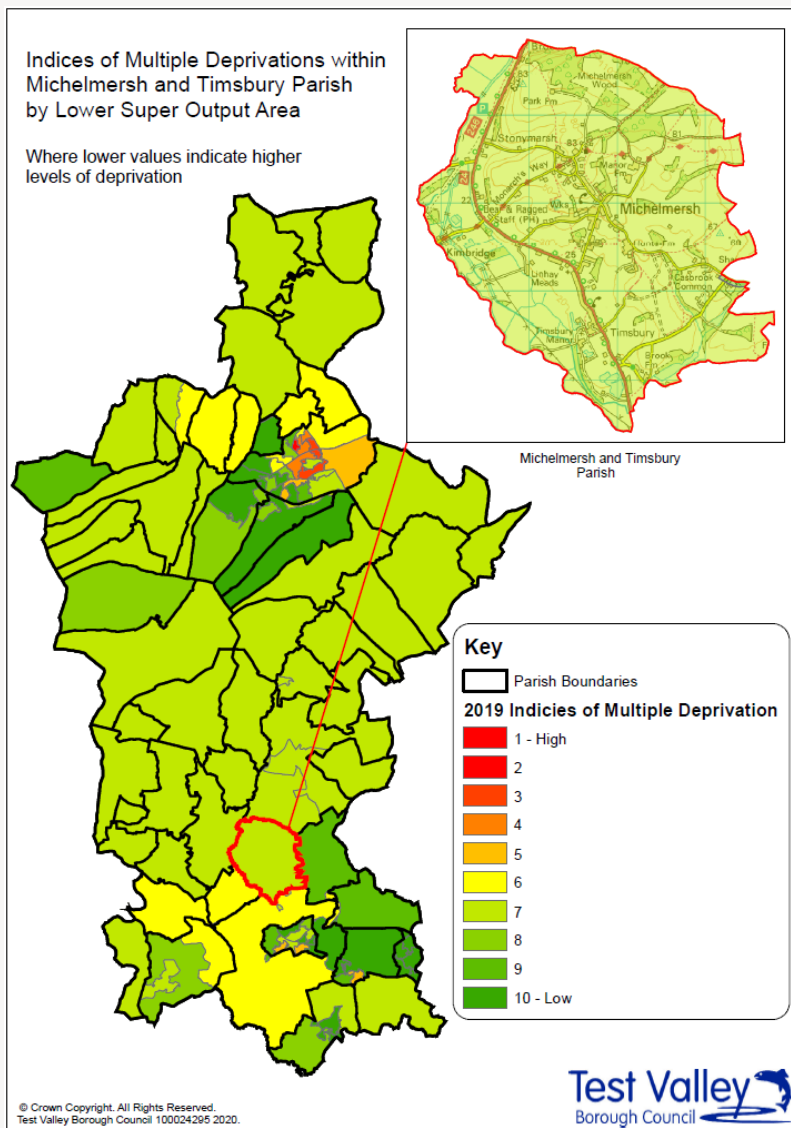
## Health



At the 2011 Census, 91.4% of residents in Michelmersh and Tisbury said they felt that they were in very good or good health. This is significantly higher than both the average for Test Valley (84.6%) and the average for England (81.4%). 2.0% of the population rated their health as bad or very bad, which is lower than both the borough average (3.8%) and the average for England (5.5%).

**1.1% of Michelmersh and Tisbury residents are long term sick or disabled (2011 Census)**

## 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 parish of Michelmersh and Timsbury against all areas in Test Valley. Of 32,844 areas ranked across the country, Michelmersh and Timsbury ranks 20,099<sup>th</sup>, this puts it in the **40% of least deprived** areas in the country.

More specifically, Michelmersh and Timsbury ranks in the top 10% of most deprived areas when it comes to physical proximity of local services. Michelmersh and Timsbury is 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).\*

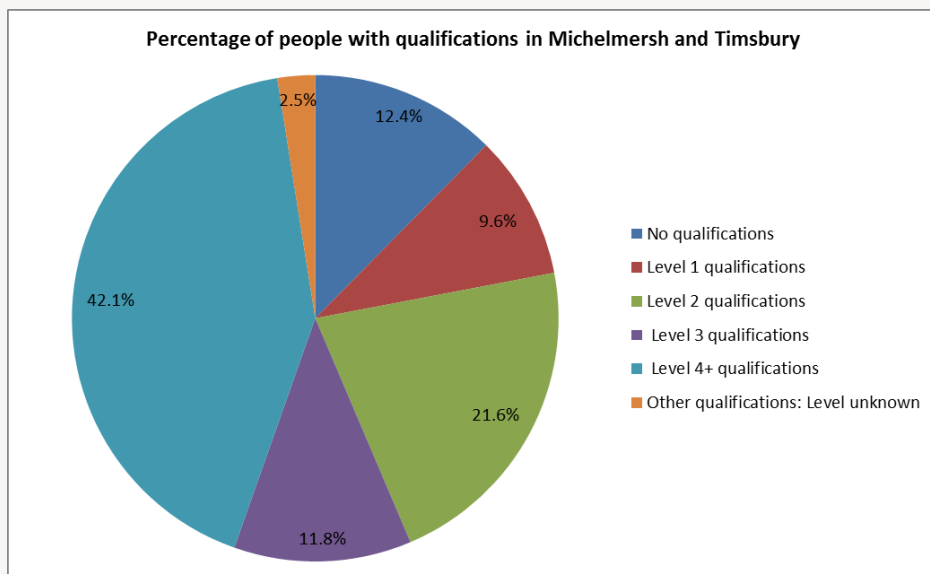
*Further information about the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government 2019 English Indices of Deprivation is available online at:*

*<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/english-indices-of-deprivation-2019>*

*\*Ward and Parish Councillors believe that this data is not reflective of their local knowledge of the quality of housing in the local area.*

# Education and employment

## Qualifications

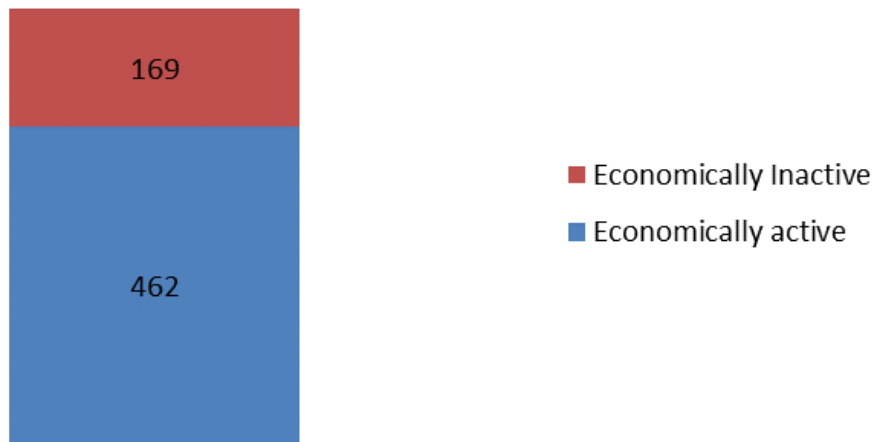


The pie chart shows the qualifications gained by Michelmersh and Tisbury residents aged 16-74 years, according to the 2011 Census. 85.1% of people living in Michelmersh and Tisbury have at least one GCSE or equivalent qualification, a figure which is significantly higher than the Test Valley average of 77.6%. Additionally, 2.5% of residents have an unknown qualification, which is similar to the borough average. This means that 12.4% of Michelmersh and Tisbury residents between 16 and 74 have no academic, vocational or professional qualifications, which is 6.0% lower than the borough average. In addition, 42.1% of Michelmersh and Tisbury 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, 73.2% of Michelmersh and Timsbury residents aged 16-74 are economically active, similar to 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.

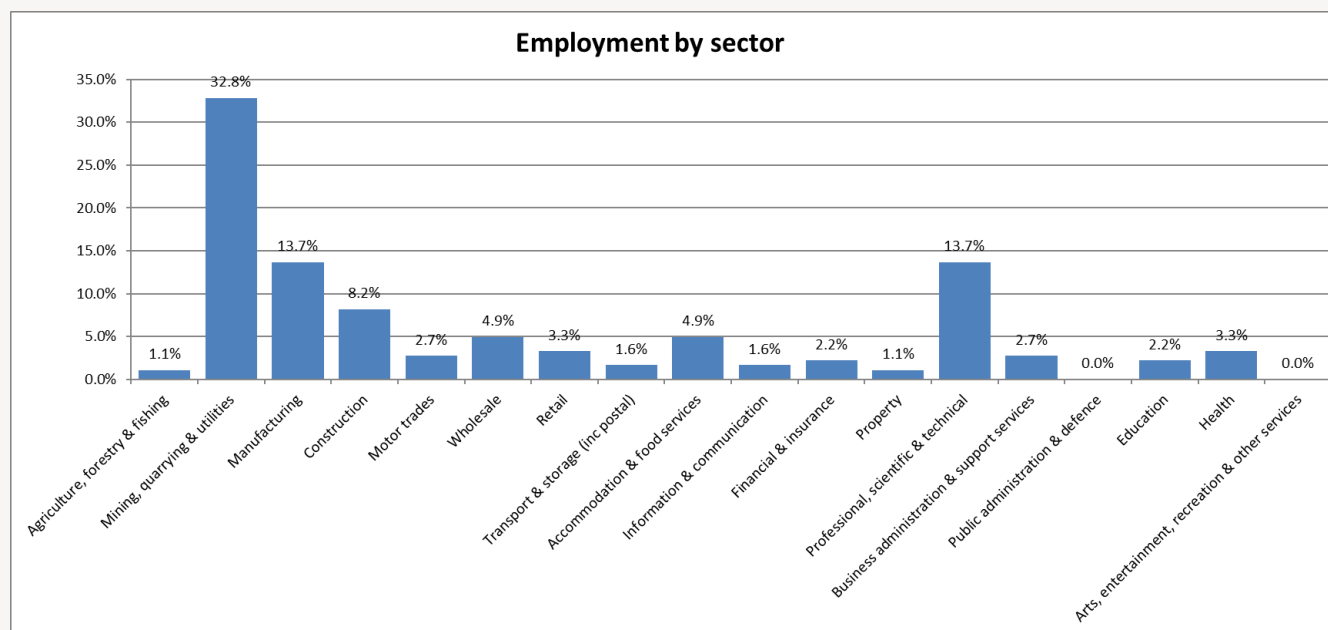
The remaining 26.8% of residents aged 16-74 are economically inactive, compared to 26.6% of Test Valley residents. This includes people who are retired, long-term sick or disabled, or who look after the home and family.



## 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 Michelmersh and Timsbury 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.



Using the latest Business Register and Employment Survey, this this graph shows the estimated nature of employment available in the parish of Michelmersh and Timsbury, greater clarity of the employment of those living in the parish (many of whom will work outside of the parish) will be available from the 2021 Census. The largest sector offering employment in Michelmersh and Timsbury is Mining, Quarrying & Utilities (32.8%) followed jointly by Manufacturing and Professional, Scientific & Technical (both 13.7%).

# Properties

Total number of properties

**360**

## Dwellings

## Estimated Average Value

**8.6%**

*Terraced*



**£423,880**

**24.1%**

*Semi-Detached*



**£473,985**

**3.7%**

*Flat*



**£279,189**

**62.6%**

*Detached*



**£984,454**

**0.9%**

*Mobile*

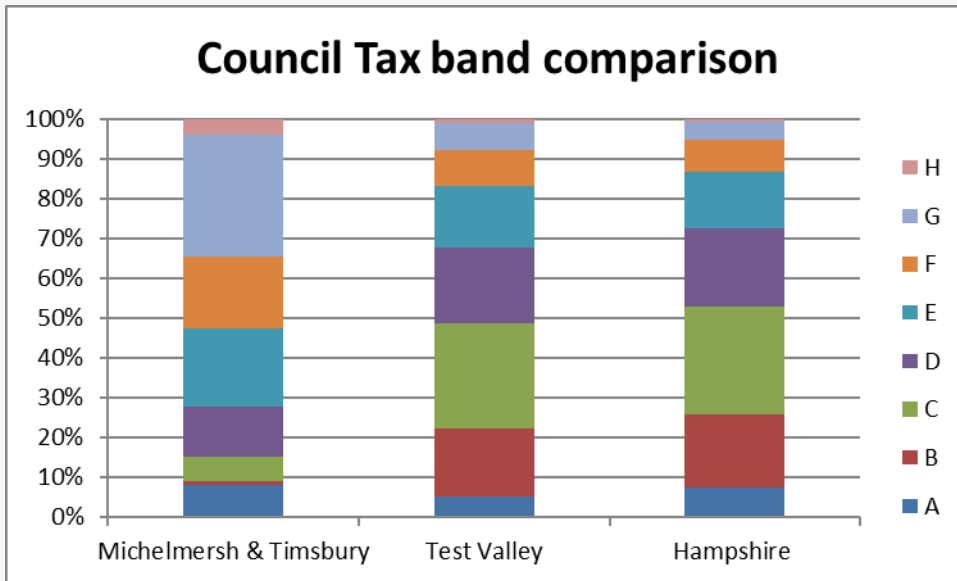


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According to Zoopla estimates, the average value of a property in Michelmersh and Timsbury in 2021 is **£897,164**. This is an increase of 0.86% over the past 5 years and makes Michelmersh and Timsbury the third most expensive parish in Test Valley.

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).

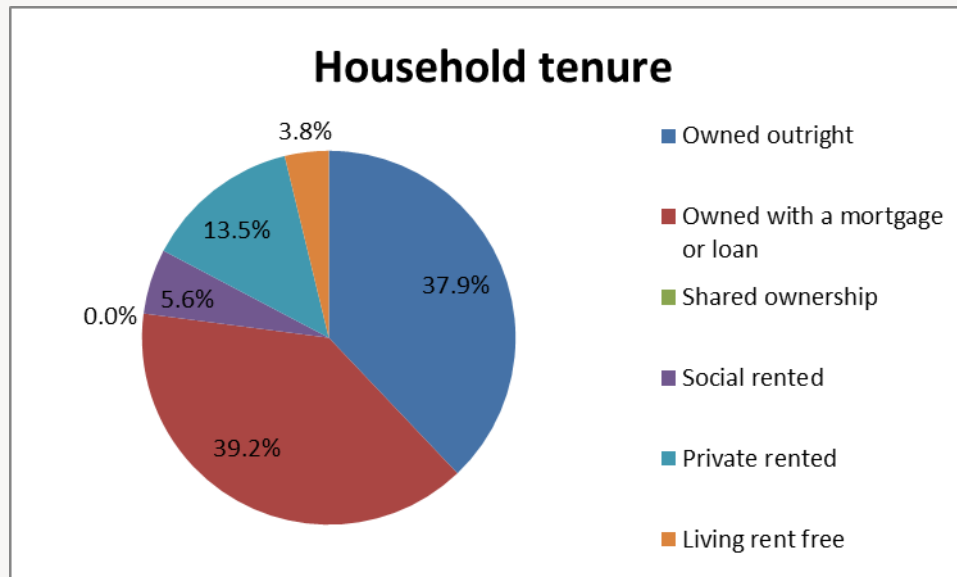
## Council Tax Bandings



### Michelmersh and Timsbury Test Valley

Bands F-H		52.5%	16.9%
Bands C-E		38.3%	60.8%
Bands A-B		9.2%	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 Michelmersh and Timsbury. 77.1% of people in Michelmersh and Timsbury live in a property which they own outright or with a mortgage or loan. This is higher than the average for Test Valley, which is 70.3%, and the average for the South East of England, which is 67.6%.

5.6% of residents rent their property from a Housing Association, which is lower than the borough average of 14.4%.

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

## Community facilities

Within Michelmersh and Timsbury there are a range of community facilities including the Jubilee Hall, Village Recreation Ground (which has football and cricket pitches as well as a playground, and is home to the village Sports Club), Hunts Farm Sports Ground (which includes various sports pitches and a pavilion), Casbrook Household Waste Recycling Centre, two pubs, and two churches, St Andrew's Timsbury and St Mary's Michelmersh.

The parish has a pre-school, Timsbury Pre-School, whilst the nearest primary schools are located in the neighbouring parishes of Braishfield and Awbridge. GP surgeries are situated in the nearby town of Romsey. The nearest railway stations are either Romsey or Mottisfont and Dunbridge.



## Community plans

Michelmersh and Timsbury has a **Village Design Statement** which was adopted by Test Valley Borough Council in July 2001 as Supplementary Planning Guidance. The design statement provides a description of the natural and man-made features of the village of Michelmersh and Timsbury that are regarded by the members of the community as particularly distinctive. The document provides a guide to ensure that future development and change is managed to respect and preserve the character and distinctiveness of the village. It should thus contribute positively to protecting and enhancing the special nature and qualities of the community that is Michelmersh and Timsbury today.

The Village Design Statement can be accessed using the following link:

<https://www.testvalley.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planningpolicy/village-design-statements/michelmershandtimsburyvds>

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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