

GORSLAS WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

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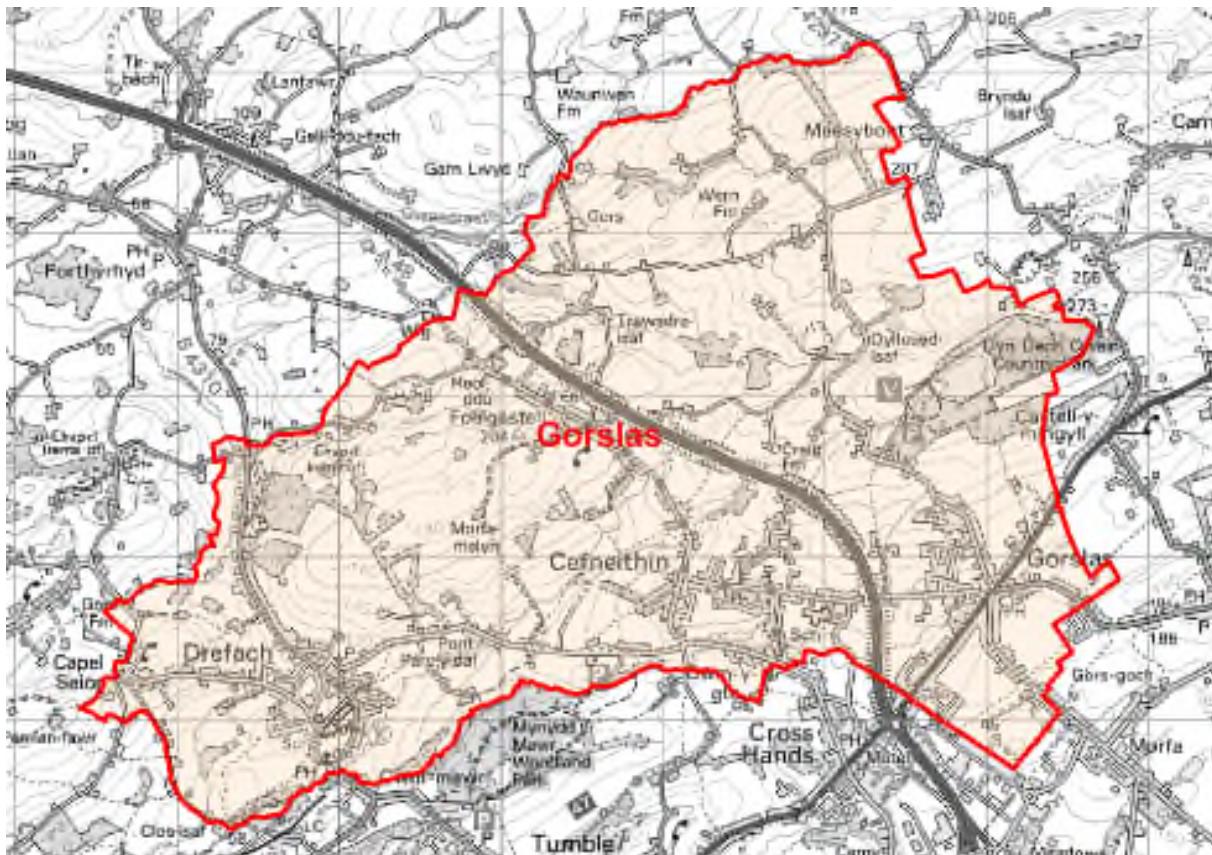
Councillors (Electoral Vote 2017, Turnout = 47.28%): Darren Price and Aled Owen (Plaid Cymru).

Electorate (December 2018): 3,705

Population: 4,475 (2017 Mid Year Population Estimates, ONS)

Welsh Assembly and UK Parliamentary Constituency: Carmarthenshire East & Dinefwr

Council owned Facilities: Cefneithin C.P. School, Drefach C.P. School, Gorslas C.P. School, Ysgol Gyfun Maes Y Gwendraeth Cefneithin, Ysgol Maes Y Gwendraeth Drefach, Llyn Llech Owain Country Park, Gorslas Park Toilets.



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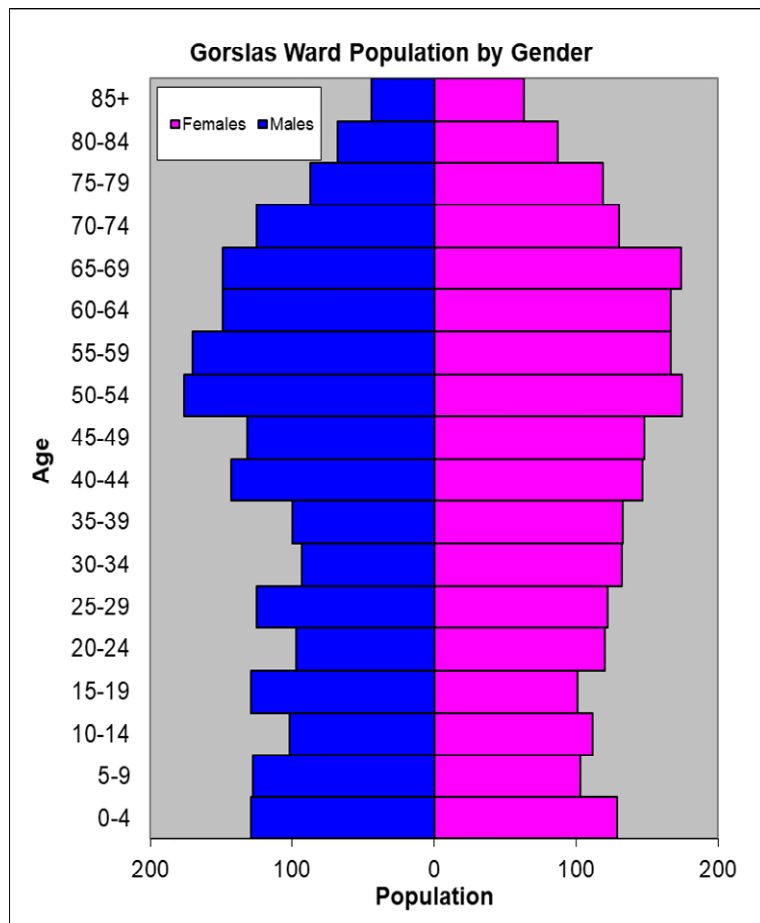
Location: Approximately 20km from Carmarthen Town

- ⇒ Regeneration Designations: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 eligible ward
- ⇒ Area: 16.51km²
- ⇒ Population Density: 271 people per km²
- ⇒ Population Change: 2011-2017: +409 (+10.1%)
- ⇒ Major Employers: Carmarthenshire County Council (schools and leisure)

POPULATION STATISTICS 2017 Mid Year Population Estimates

Age Structure	Gorslas Population	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire %
Aged: 0-4	258	5.8	5.2
5-14	445	9.9	11.4
15-24	447	10.0	10.5
25-44	995	22.2	21.6
45-64	1,284	28.7	28.0
65-74	578	12.9	13.0
75+	468	10.5	10.3
Total	4,475	100	100

Source: aggregated lower Super Output Area (LSOA) Small Area Population Estimates, 2017, Office for National Statistics (ONS)



- ⇒ 9th highest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 20th highest population density.
- ⇒ Highest proportion of people aged over 45.
- ⇒ Slightly higher proportion of people with limiting long term illness
- ⇒ Over 20% higher proportion of Welsh Speakers than the Carmarthenshire average.

2011 Census Data

Population: Key Facts	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire
People: born in Wales	3211	79.0	76.0
born outside UK	87	2.2	4.1
in non-white ethnic groups	39	0.9	1.9
with limiting long-term illness	1082	26.7	25.4
with no qualifications (aged 16-74)	853	25.1	26.8
with higher level qualifications (aged 16-74)	878	25.8	23.9
able to speak Welsh	2523	64.1	43.9

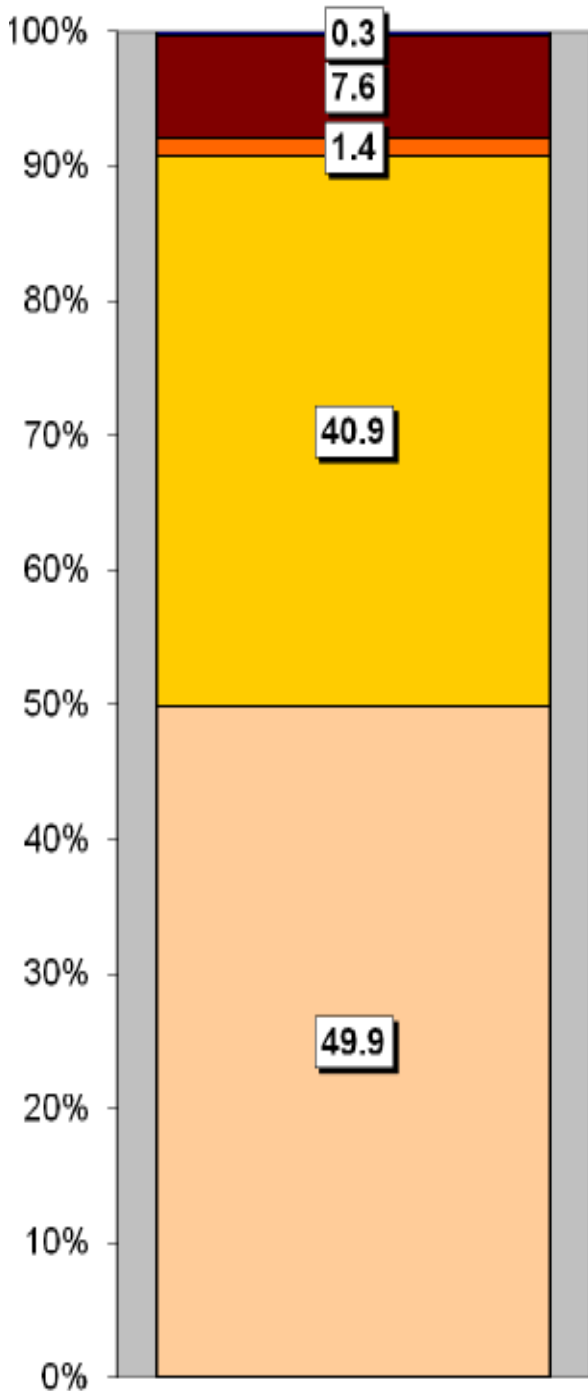
Household Composition	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire
Total Households/ (Average Household Size)	1735	(2.3)	(2.3)
Household Type: one person: pensioner	285	16.4	14.8
one person: other	212	12.2	15.4
one family: all pensioners	181	10.4	9.8
one family: married couple	658	38.0	34.1
one family: cohabiting couple	138	7.9	8.7
one family: lone parent	169	9.7	11.3
one family: other	92	5.4	5.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

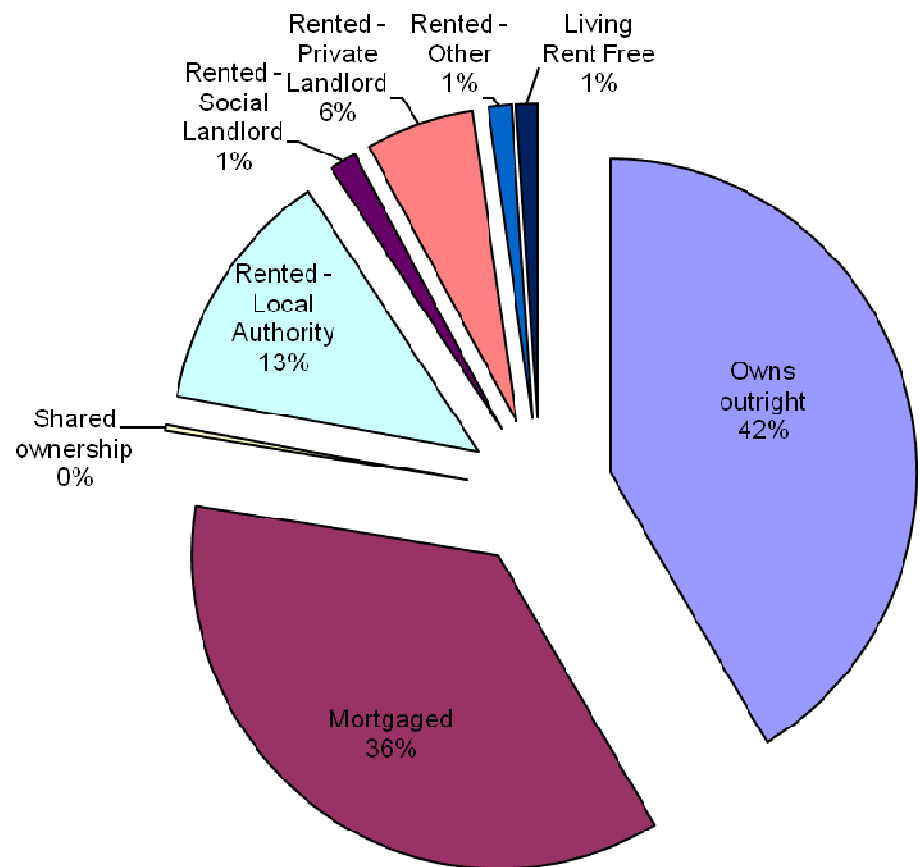
HOUSING

The area's housing consists largely of detached and semi-detached accommodation, which combined is over 90% of the accommodation. The smallest proportion of housing is the caravan or other mobile temporary accommodation. The ward consists of 222 local authority owned properties and 24 Housing Association properties.

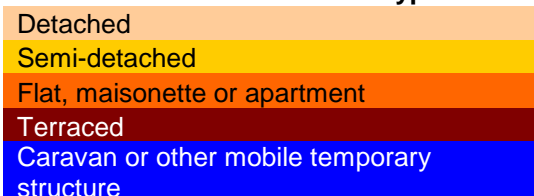
Household Accommodation Types



Household Tenure	%
Owns outright	41.5
Mortgaged	36.1
Shared ownership	0.3
Rented - Local Authority	12.8
Rented - Social Landlord	1.4
Rented - Private Landlord	5.7
Rented - Other	1.2
Living Rent Free	1.1



Household Accommodation Types



SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS

- ⇒ The estimated median household income for Gorslas, based on CACI's 2018 'PayCheck' data, is £29,053 which is the 14th highest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 12.3% above the Carmarthenshire median of £25,488.
- ⇒ The social profile information indicates a higher than average level of people being in higher and lower managerial and professional administrative occupations (Levels 1-2).

Social Profile	Gorslas	%	Carmarthenshire %
<i>All people aged 16-74 in households</i>	2997	100	100
1: Higher Managerial & Professional Admin. Occupations	464	15.5	13.8
2: Lower Managerial & Professional Admin. Occupations	673	22.5	19.9
3: Intermediate Occupations	397	13.2	11.6
4: Small Employers & Own Account Workers	296	9.9	12.6
5: Lower Supervisory & Technical Occupations	231	7.7	7.6
6: Semi-routine Occupations	448	14.9	16.7
7: Routine Occupations	405	13.5	13.0
8: Never Worked & Long Term Unemployed	117	3.9	4.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET

Benefit Claimants	Gorslas	Rate %	Carmarthenshire Working Population %
Unemployment Benefit (JSA): November 2018	18	0.7	1.4
Incapacity Benefits (ESA/IB/SDA) May 2018	215	8.1	9.0
Income Support: May 2018	25	0.9	1.5
Disability Living Allowance: May 2018	170	6.4	6.2
Pension Credit: May 2018 (Population 65+)	165	17.1	15.3
State Pension Claimants: May 2018	1,005	-	-

Source: Jobcentre Plus administrative system Dept. for Work & Pensions

Economic Status (people aged 16-74)	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire %
Economically Active	1943	64.8	64.9
Employees: Part-time	399	13.3	13.9
Employees: Full-time	1132	37.8	33.7
Self-employed	256	8.5	11.0
Unemployed	86	2.9	3.7
Full-time Student	70	2.3	2.5
Economically Inactive	1054	35.2	35.1
Retired	585	19.5	18.1
Student	135	4.5	4.5
Looking after home/family	86	2.9	3.8
Permanently sick/disabled	192	6.4	6.8
Other	56	1.9	1.9

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (WIMD)

WIMD 2014 based on fine-grained geography of lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs). The WIMD 2014 is compiled from eight domains, Income, Employment, Health, Education, Housing, Access to Services, Physical Environment and Community Safety and is published at Lower Super Output Area of which there are 112 in Carmarthenshire.

Under WIMD, where Rank 1 is the most deprived, **Gorslas 1** ranks 96 out of 112 LSOAs in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1352 in Wales from 1909 LSOAs. **Gorslas 2** ranks 90 most deprived area in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1277 in Wales.

The highest level of deprivation attributed to **Gorslas 1** is the Education Domain, being ranked 67th in Carmarthenshire and 1121 in Wales for this domain. In **Gorslas 2** the Physical Environment domain is also the most prominent ranking 35th in Carmarthenshire and 586 in Wales.

Gorslas 1 – Drefach Gorslas 2 – Maes yr Yrfa School

LSOA	Overall Index		Income		Employment		Health		Education		Access to Services		Community Safety		Physical Environment		Housing	
	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales	Rank	Wales
Gorslas 1	1352	96	1139	72	1236	85	1067	76	1121	67	810	71	1702	90	1110	68	1453	88
Gorslas 2	1277	90	1215	80	931	56	1302	89	1059	61	900	76	1853	103	586	35	1459	89

Source: Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2014 (updated August 2016), Welsh Assembly Government.

Note: LSOAs ranked 1-112 (Carmarthenshire), 1-1909 (Wales).

CRIME

Gorslas	Offence Group													Annual Total			
	Arson & Criminal Damage	Burglary – Business & Community	Burglary – Residential	Drug Offences	Miscellaneous Crime Against Society	Possession of Weapons	Public Order Offences	Robbery	Sexual Offences	Theft	Vehicle Offences	Violence Against the Person					
Fiscal Year (1st April to 31st March)																	
2017/2018	23	2	2	11	4	1	7	0	12	16	4	39	121				

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnor.

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