

## GORSLAS WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

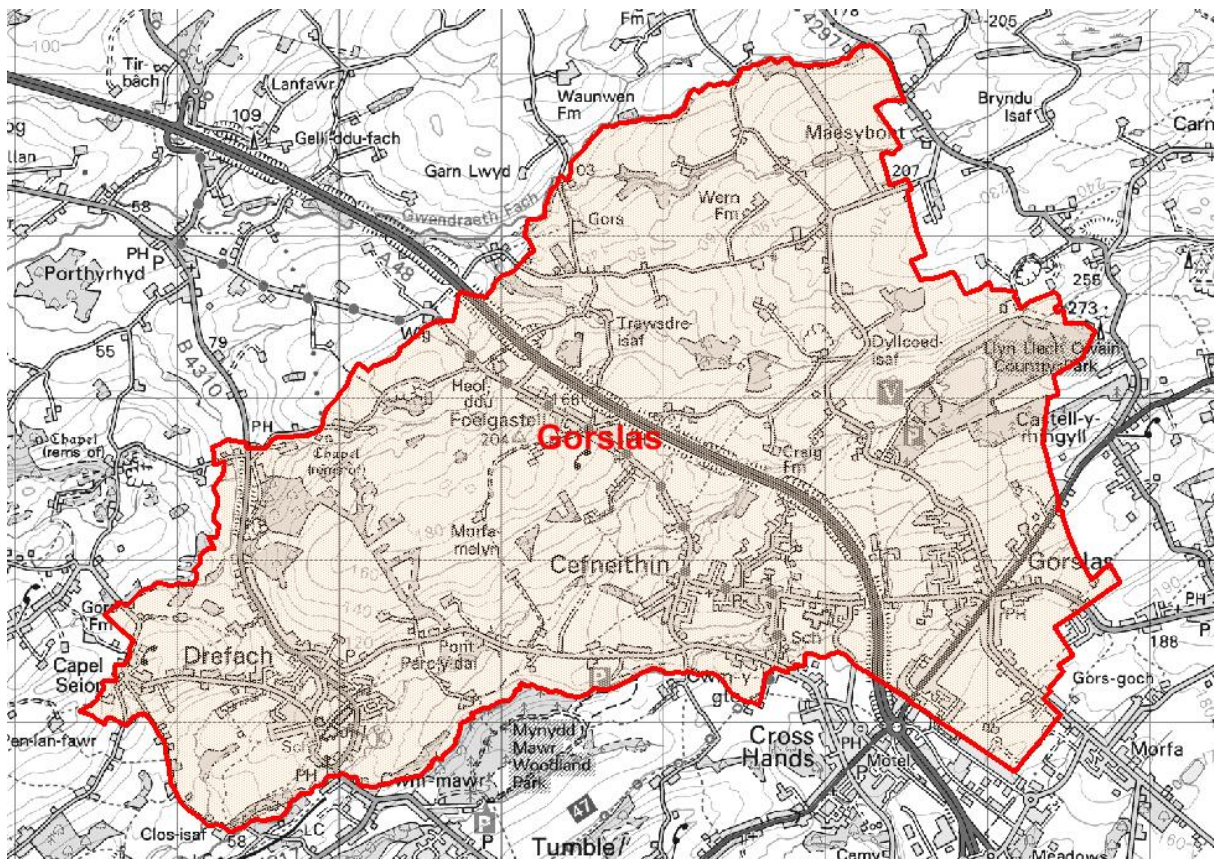
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**Councillors (Electoral Vote 2017, Turnout = 47.28%):** Darren Price and Aled Owen (Plaid Cymru).

**Electorate (February 2020):** 3,886

**Population:** 4,594 (2018 Mid Year Population Estimates, ONS)

**Welsh Assembly and UK Parliamentary Constituency:** Carmarthenshire East & Dinefwr



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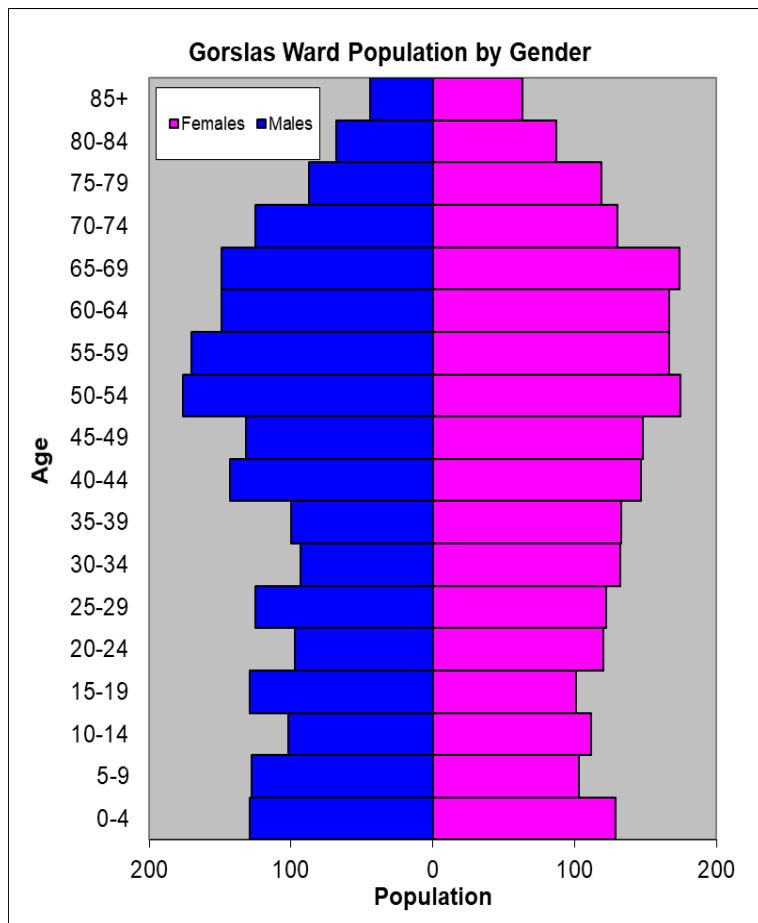
**Location: Approximately 20km from Carmarthen Town**

- ⇒ Regeneration Designations: Rural Development Plan 2007-2013 eligible ward
- ⇒ Area: 16.51km<sup>2</sup>
- ⇒ Population Density: 278 people per km<sup>2</sup>
- ⇒ Population Change: 2011-2018: +528 (+13%)

## POPULATION STATISTICS 2018 Mid Year Population Estimates

| Age Structure | Gorslas Population | Gorslas %  | Carmarthenshire % |
|---------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Aged: 0-4     | 258                | 5.8        | 5.1               |
| 5-14          | 445                | 9.9        | 11.5              |
| 15-24         | 447                | 10.0       | 10.3              |
| 25-44         | 995                | 22.2       | 21.6              |
| 45-64         | 1,284              | 28.7       | 28.1              |
| 65-74         | 578                | 12.9       | 12.9              |
| 75+           | 468                | 10.5       | 10.5              |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>4,594</b>       | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>        |

Source: aggregated lower Super Output Area (LSOA) Small Area Population Estimates, 2018, Office for National Statistics (ONS)



- ⇒ 8<sup>th</sup> highest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 |
|---|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| <b>People:</b> 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            |

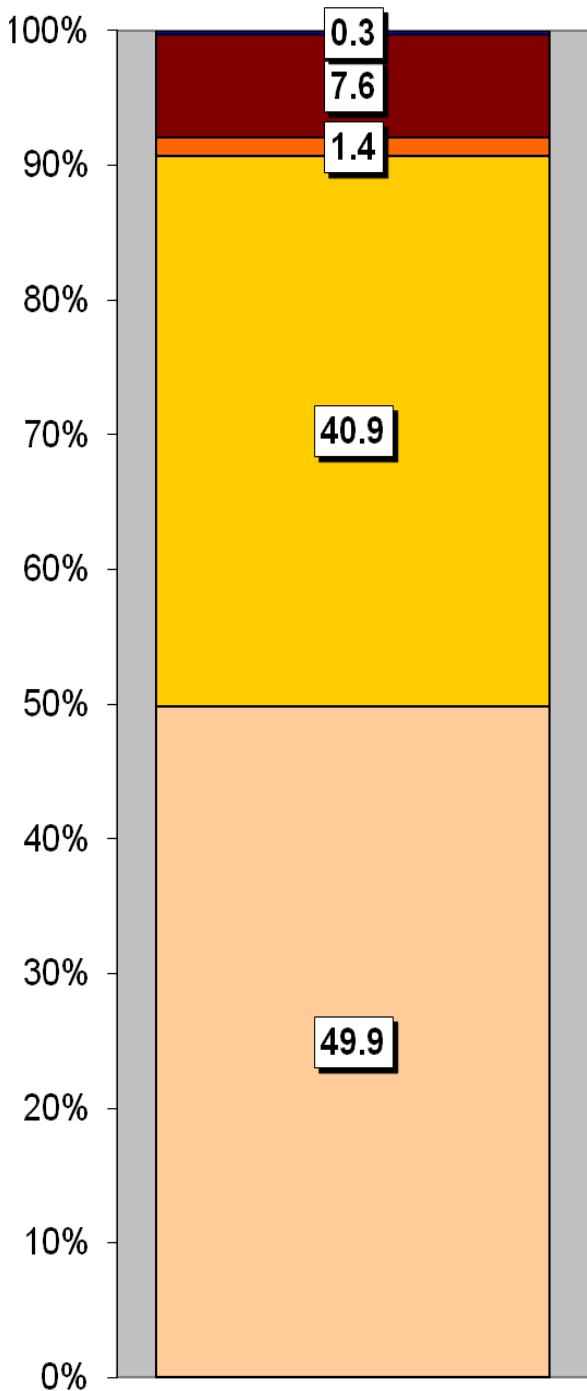
| Household Composition                             | Gorslas | Gorslas % | Carmarthenshire |
|---|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| <b>Total Households/</b> (Average Household Size) | 1735    | (2.3)     | (2.3)           |
| Household Type: one person: pensioner             | 285     | 16.4      | 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

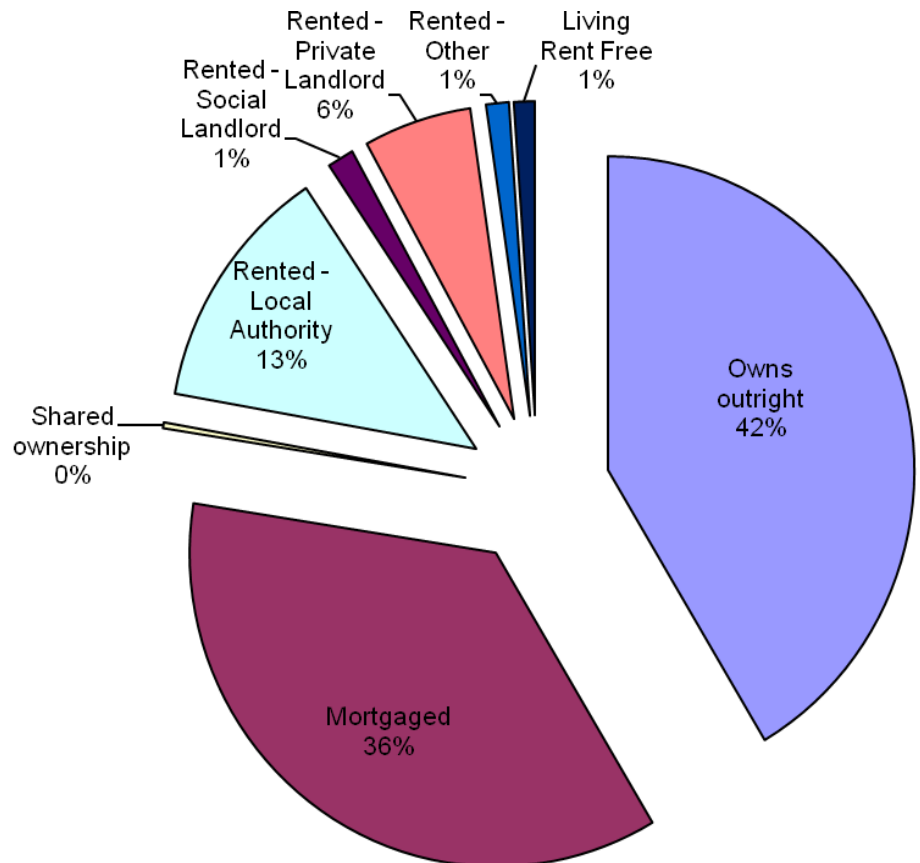
## HOUSING

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.

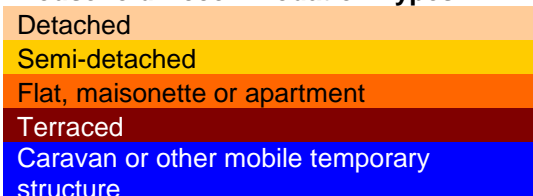
### Household Accommodation Types



| 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 2019 'PayCheck' data, is £30,695 which is the 12<sup>th</sup> highest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 11.6% above the Carmarthenshire median of £27,148.
- ⇒ 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               |
| <b>1: Higher Managerial &amp; Professional Admin. Occupations</b> | 464     | 15.5 | 13.8              |
| <b>2: Lower Managerial &amp; Professional Admin. Occupations</b>  | 673     | 22.5 | 19.9              |
| <b>3: Intermediate Occupations</b>                                | 397     | 13.2 | 11.6              |
| <b>4: Small Employers &amp; Own Account Workers</b>               | 296     | 9.9  | 12.6              |
| <b>5: Lower Supervisory &amp; Technical Occupations</b>           | 231     | 7.7  | 7.6               |
| <b>6: Semi-routine Occupations</b>                                | 448     | 14.9 | 16.7              |
| <b>7: Routine Occupations</b>                                     | 405     | 13.5 | 13.0              |
| <b>8: Never Worked &amp; Long Term Unemployed</b>                 | 117     | 3.9  | 4.9               |

Source: 2011 Census, ONS

## ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET

| Economic Status (people aged 16-74) | Gorslas | Gorslas % | Carmarthenshire % |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------|-------------------|
| <b>Economically Active</b>          | 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               |
| <b>Economically Inactive</b>        | 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

| Benefit Claimants (June 2020)                 | Gorslas | Rate % | Carmarthenshire Working Population % |
|---|---------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| Claimant Count unemployment (JSA)             | 20      | 0.7    | 0.8                                  |
| Universal Credit (total claimants)            | 241     | 8.7    | 11.3                                 |
| Incapacity Benefits (ESA and IB/SDA)          | 209     | 7.6    | 0.2                                  |
| Disability-related benefits (PIP, DLA and AA) | 576     | 20.8   | 21.5                                 |
| Pension Credit (PC)                           | 149     | 14.9   | 5.5                                  |

Source: Department for Work & Pensions and ONS.

Note: Claimant Count unemployment includes Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) claimants plus Universal Credit (UC) claimants who are required to seek work. ESA = Employment Support Allowance; IB/SDA = Incapacity Benefit / Severe Disablement Allowance; PIP = Personal Independence Payment; DLA = Disability Living Allowance; AA = Attendance Allowance. Estimated rates shown as % of population aged 16-64, except disability benefits (all people) and PC (aged 65+). Universal Credit is replacing six means-tested benefits and tax credits (known as legacy benefits): Income-based JSA; Income-related ESA; Income Support; Working Tax Credit; Child Tax Credit; Housing Benefit. Further statistical information on UC and other benefits is available.



## WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (WIMD)

WIMD 2019 based on fine-grained geography of lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs). The WIMD 2019 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 79 out of 112 LSOAs in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1157 in Wales from 1909 LSOAs. **Gorslas 2** ranks 73 most deprived area in Carmarthenshire and is ranked 1077 in Wales.

The highest level of deprivation attributed to **Gorslas 1** is the Access to Services Domain, being ranked 51 in Carmarthenshire and 503 in Wales for this domain. In **Gorslas 2** the Physical Environment domain is the most prominent ranking 38 in Carmarthenshire and 680 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 | 1157          | 79    | 1034   | 63    | 1039       | 72    | 1088   | 66    | 1031      | 63    | 503                | 51    | 1627             | 87    | 1220                 | 76    | 1026    | 71    |
| Gorslas 2 | 1077          | 73    | 1278   | 84    | 835        | 53    | 1067   | 62    | 1020      | 62    | 475                | 48    | 1460             | 72    | 680                  | 38    | 958     | 61    |

Source: Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 Welsh Assembly Government.

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

## CRIME

| Gorslas                                      | Offence Group           |                   |                       |               |                                     |                       |                       |         |                 |       |                  |                             | Annual Total |  |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|-----------------|-------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | Arson & Criminal Damage | Burglary Dwelling | Burglary Non Dwelling | Drug Offences | Miscellaneous Crime Against Society | Possession of Weapons | Public Order Offences | Robbery | Sexual Offences | Theft | Vehicle Offences | Violence Against the Person |              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Fiscal Year (1st April to 31st March)</b> |                         |                   |                       |               |                                     |                       |                       |         |                 |       |                  |                             |              |  |  |  |  |
| <b>2019/2020</b>                             | 16                      | 3                 | 2                     | 19            | 4                                   | 1                     | 8                     | 0       | 14              | 16    | 11               | 81                          | <b>175</b>   |  |  |  |  |

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnor.

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