

## GORSLAS WARD: ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE

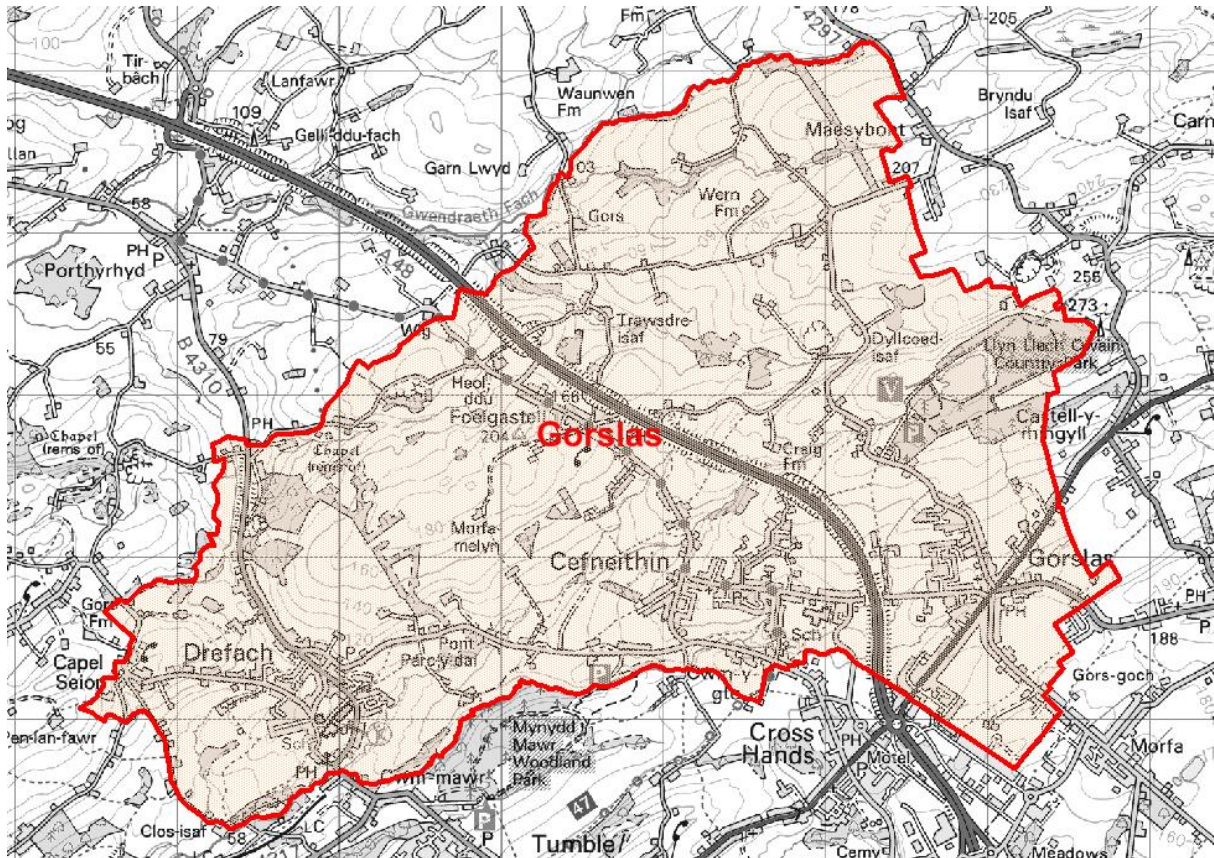
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**Councillors (Electoral Vote 2017, Turnout = 47.28%):** Darren Price and Aled Owen (Plaid Cymru).

**Electorate (April 2021):** 3,950

**Population:** 4,747 (2019 Mid Year Population Estimates, ONS)

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



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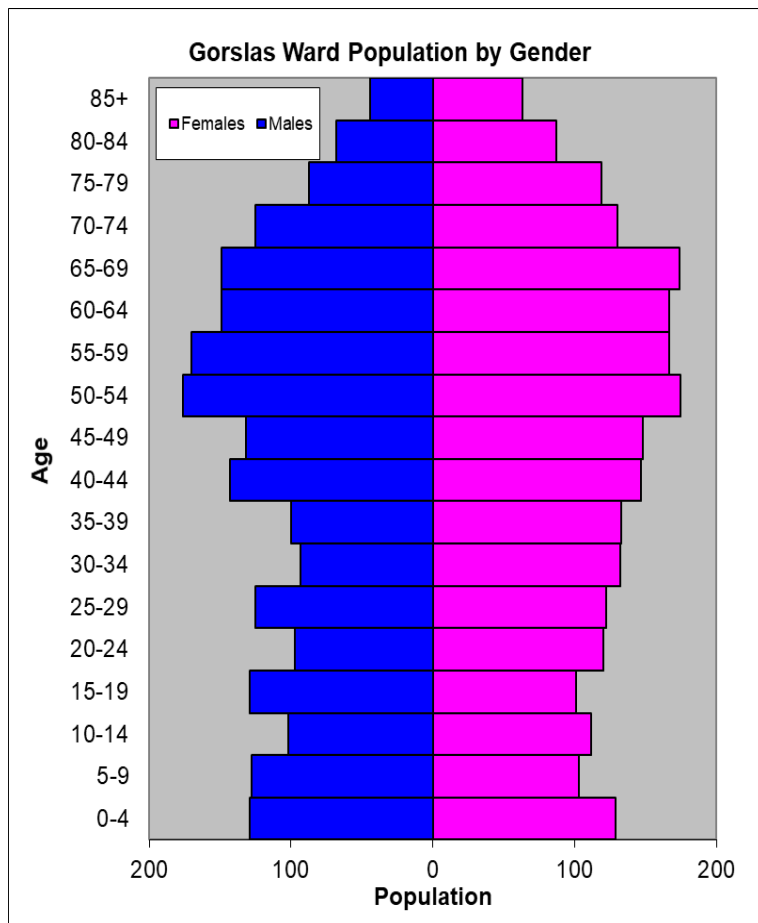
**Location: Approximately 20km from Carmarthen Town**

- ⇒ Area: 16.51km<sup>2</sup>
- ⇒ Population Density: 288 people per km<sup>2</sup>
- ⇒ Population Change: 2011-2019: +681 (+16.7%)

## POPULATION STATISTICS 2019 Mid Year Population Estimates

Age Structure	Gorslas Population	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire %
Aged: 0-4	307	6.5	5.0
5-14	488	10.3	11.5
15-24	433	9.1	10.2
25-44	1,048	22.1	21.6
45-64	1,366	28.8	28.0
65-74	559	11.8	11.9
75+	546	11.5	11.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,747</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: aggregated lower Super Output Area (LSOA) Small Area Population Estimates, 2019, Office for National Statistics (ONS)



- ⇒ 8<sup>th</sup> highest ward population in Carmarthenshire, and 20<sup>th</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

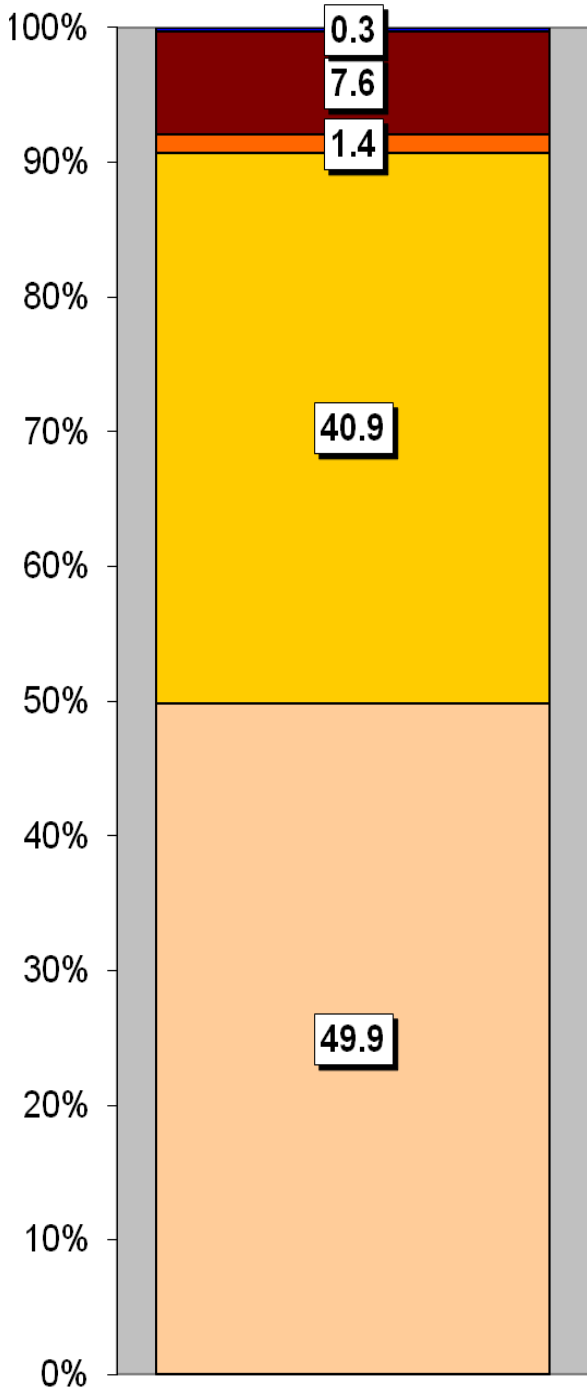
Household Composition	Gorslas	Gorslas %	Carmarthenshire
<b>Total Households/</b> (Average Household Size)	1735	(2.3)	(2.3)
Household Type: one person: pensioner	285	16.4	14.8
one person: other	212	12.2	15.4
one family: all pensioners	181	10.4	9.8
one family: married couple	658	38.0	34.1
one family: cohabiting 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

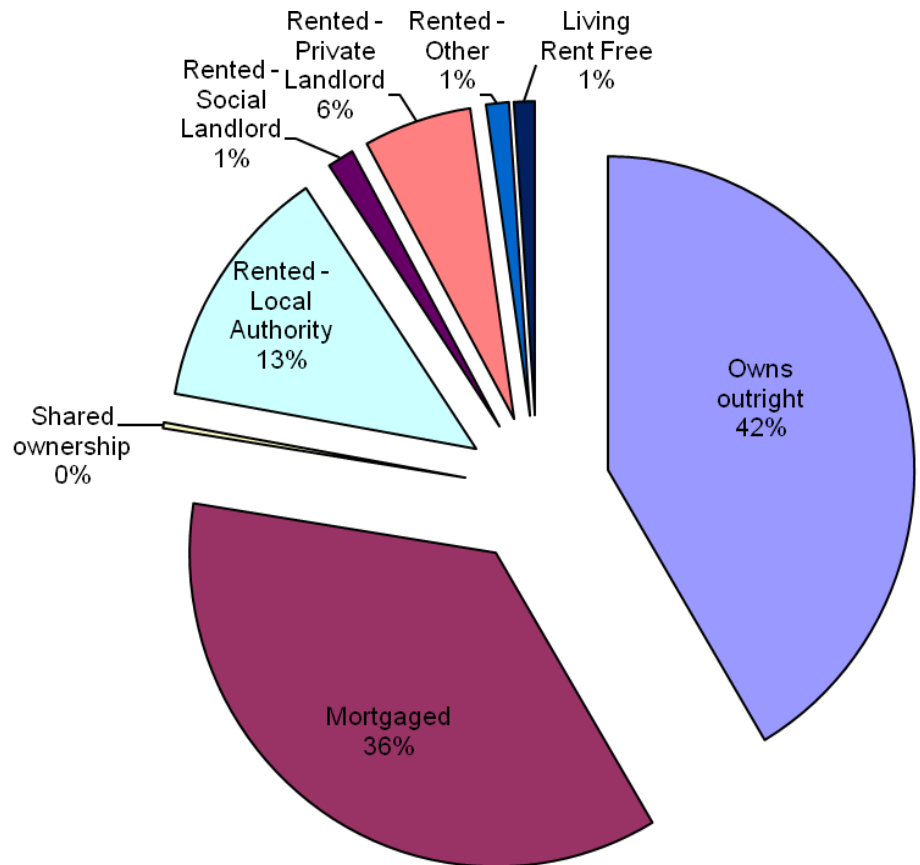
## HOUSING

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.

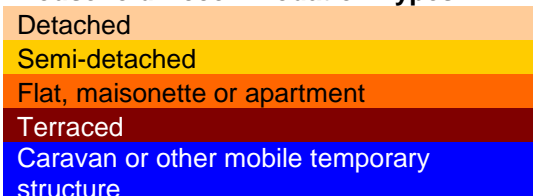
### Household Accommodation Types



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 2020 'PayCheck' data, is £31,685 which is the 11<sup>th</sup> highest (of 58 wards) in Carmarthenshire and 11% above the Carmarthenshire median of £28,186.
- ⇒ 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	Gorslas	Rate %	Carmarthenshire Working Population %
Claimant Count unemployment (JSA) – March 2021	12	0.4	0.6
Universal Credit (total claimants) – February 2021	260	9.3	11.3
Incapacity Benefits (ESA and IB/SDA) – August 2020	195	6.9	7.9
Disability-related benefits (PIP, DLA and AA) – August 2020	602	21.4	22.3
Pension Credit (PC) – August 2020	147	13.3	13.0

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>2020/2021</b>	16	4	2	12	3	0	19	0	5	9	1	70	<b>141</b>				

Source: Dyfed Powys Police, Headquarters, Llangunnor.

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