



AGE PROFILES

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The purpose of this paper is to provide Members with information on the age profiles within Ventnor and a comparison with those of the Island as a whole.

No. DETAIL

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The Office for National Statistics has for the first time published population estimates based on mid-2013 at Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) level for every age from one to 90+.
- b) As Members are aware, these are the small areas into which the country is divided for data collection with an average population of around 1,500 of which there are 89 on the Island and four in Ventnor.
- c) It has proved helpful to the Town Council in its strategic approach to deprivation in the town that the Ventnor LSOAs almost exactly coincide with the recognisable geographic areas of the town's Central Area, Upper Ventnor, Bonchurch and St Lawrence.

2) AGE DISTRIBUTION

- a) The following table shows the estimated numbers in each of a range of age groups that are particularly relevant to the Town Council's work:

Area	Pop.	0-4	5-10	11-19	20-44	45-64	65+	80+
Ventnor Central	1,506	93	59	142	398	485	329	96
Bonchurch	1,456	49	73	148	323	447	416	106
St Lawrence	1,423	26	43	96	180	417	661	206
Upper Ventnor	1,479	85	112	186	340	452	304	62
Ventnor	5,864	253	287	572	1,241	1,801	1,710	470
Island	138,393	6,605	8,109	14,110	35,035	39,172	35,362	9,928

- b) The following table gives the same information as percentages of the whole population of each of the areas in the table:

Area	0-4	5-10	11-19	20-44	45-64	65+	80+
Ventnor Central	6.18%	3.92%	9.43%	26.43%	32.20%	21.85%	6.37%
Bonchurch	3.37%	5.01%	10.16%	22.18%	30.70%	28.57%	7.28%
St Lawrence	1.83%	3.02%	6.75%	12.65%	29.30%	46.45%	14.48%
Upper Ventnor	5.75%	7.57%	12.65%	22.99%	30.56%	20.55%	4.19%
Ventnor	4.31%	4.89%	9.75%	21.16%	30.71%	29.16%	8.02%
Island	4.77%	5.86%	10.20%	25.32%	28.30%	25.55%	7.17%

3) PROFILES

- a) Upper Ventnor is the youngest area of the town with over 25% of its population under the age of 20 while St Lawrence has half that level of young people.
- b) At the older end of the age range, Ventnor's higher than the Island's population over the age of 65 is the consequence of the fact that almost half (46.5%) of St Lawrence's population is over that age as compared with Upper Ventnor's fifth (20.5%).