



INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION 2015

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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The purpose of this paper is to introduce Members to the initial results of the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015 (IMD 2015).

NO. DETAIL

1) BACKGROUND

- a) The government established the pattern of providing deprivation-related data on a small area basis at intervals since 2004 with reliable comparability established since IMD 2007 with the IMD 2010 and, on 30 September 2015, IMD 2015 being the sequence.
- b) The small area basis is important as the previously used larger areas of data collection such as Local Authority area or Parliamentary Constituency frequently concealed the smaller areas of deprivation within them.
- c) The Island is a prime example of that: it sits at close to the half way mark among Local Authorities, ranking as the 78th most deprived in the list of 152 upper level Local Authorities, but with small areas of it in the most deprived 10% nationally on some of the measures.

2) THE INDEX

- a) The Index is based on the collation of all relevant data on seven areas related to deprivation, referred to as *domains*. These are then given a weighting to provide an overall score: the *Index of Multiple Deprivation*.
- b) The domains and their weightings are:
 - o Income Deprivation (22.5%)
 - o Employment Deprivation (22.5%)
 - o Education, Skills and Training Deprivation (13.5%)
 - o Health Deprivation and Disability (13.5%)
 - o Crime (9.3%)
 - o Barriers to Housing and Services (9.3%)
 - o Living Environment Deprivation (9.3%)
- c) In addition to the Index of Multiple Deprivation and the seven domain indices, there are two supplementary indices: the Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index and the Income Deprivation Affecting Older People Index.
- d) On the basis of the overall score – and the individual domains – areas are then ranked from 1 to the total number of areas with 1 being the most deprived.
- e) The Index is prepared and published for several different levels of area but for the reasons identified in 1b) and 1c) above, the rest of this paper focuses on the one that gives the clearest available picture of deprivation on the Island in general and Ventnor in particular, known as Lower Super Output Areas.

3) LOWER SUPER OUTPUT AREAS (LSOAs)

- a) LSOAs are identified by both a nine digit Code number and a Name, with the name consisting of the Local Authority in which they are and a four digit identifier of three numbers and one letter.
- b) England has a total now of 32,844 LSOAs and so the national ranking runs from 1 (the most deprived) to 32,844 (the least deprived).
- c) The Island has 89 LSOAs with the ranking running from 1 to 89.
- d) Ventnor has 4 LSOAs that very closely coincide with areas of the town: the Isle of Wight 018A (Ventnor Central), 018B (Bonchurch), 018C (St Lawrence) and 018D (Upper Ventnor).

4) VENTNOR

- a) Members have been fully aware of the town's IMD rankings since 2011 when the picture was also shared with the first of what has become the annual town consultation meeting.
- b) The table shows the actual ranking position of each of the town's four areas in each of the three IMD Indexes now available with the direction of travel as troubling as the overall position:

Area	IMD 2007	IMD 2010	IMD 2015
Ventnor Central	5,972	5,838	4,379
Upper Ventnor	9,157	8,486	6,817
Bonchurch	11,506	13,343	9,135
St Lawrence	15,321	17,192	15,631

- c) In the 2010 rankings, Ventnor Central was just within the most deprived 20% nationally, at the 18.0% mark; in those of 2015 it is just above the 10% mark, at 13.3%.
- d) Within the overall ranking there are some particularly disturbing rankings: the table shows the domains within which one or both of the two most deprived of the town's LSOAs fall within the most deprived 20% nationally with those in red being within the most deprived 10% in England.

Domain	Ventnor Central	Upper Ventnor
Income	5,732	4,889
Employment	2,532	4,614
Education & Skills	6,440	4,020
Health & Disability	5,258	
Children in Poverty		2,489
Living Environment	1,226	

- e) Within the Island's 89 LSOAs, the ranking of all four of Ventnor's in the IMD's domains is shown in the following table:

Domain	Ventnor Central	Upper Ventnor	Bonchurch	St Lawrence
IMD 2015 Overall rank	6	15	24	61
Income	10	7	38	78
Employment	4	13	31	66
Education & Skills	22	8	45	48
Health & Disability	2	39	47	56
Living Environment	6	36	11	40
Children in Poverty	22	4	57	55
Older People in Poverty	6	24	40	80

5) NEXT

A more detailed analysis will be available for the next Town Council meeting.
