**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** 

**REPORT 82/19** 

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The purpose of this paper is to provide Members with the relevant information from the recently published Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 (IMD 2019) of the rankings of Ventnor's four Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs).

#### No. DETAIL

#### THE INDEX

- a) The Index, published on 26 September, is based on the collation of all relevant data on seven aspects of life related to deprivation, referred to as *domains*: Income, Employment, Education, Health, Crime, Living Environment and Barriers to Housing and Services.
- b) These are then given a weighting to provide an overall score: the *Index of Multiple Deprivation*.
- c) In addition to the seven main domains, rankings are also included for Income Deprivation Affecting children and Income Deprivation Affecting Older People.
- d) On the basis of the overall score areas are then ranked from 1 to the total number of areas with 1 being the most deprived.
- e) Rankings are also provided for each of the separate domains.

## 2) LOWER SUPER OUTPUT AREAS (LSOAS)

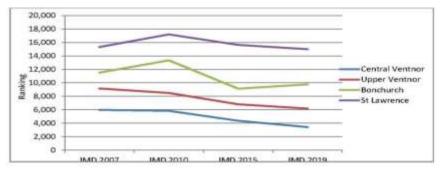
- a) England has a total of 32,844 LSOAs and so the national ranking runs from 1 (the most deprived) to 32,844 (the least deprived).
- b) The Island has 89 LSOAs four of which cover the whole of the town of Ventnor that very closely coincide with areas of the town: the Isle of Wight o18A (Ventnor Central), o18B (Bonchurch), o18C (St Lawrence) and o18D (Upper Ventnor).

# 3) VENTNOR RANKINGS

a) The rankings of Ventnor's four Lower Super Output Areas are as in the following table:

LSOA	IMD 2007	IMD 2010	IMD 2015	IMD 2019
Central Ventnor	5,972	5,838	4,370	3,423
Upper Ventnor	9,157	8,486	6,817	6,174
Bonchurch	11.506	13,343	9,135	9,767
St Lawrence	15,321	17.192	15.631	14,988

- b) The trend for each of the areas is shown clearly in this graph:
- c) Ventnor's central area is now all but in the most deprived 10%



- nationally at 10.4%. Upper Ventnor has now slipped into the most deprived 20% (18.8%)
- d) In the 2019 Index each of the two areas are in the most deprived 10% nationally on two of the individual domains:

- o Ventnor Central on the Employment domain at 1,916 and on Living Environment at 1,933.
- Upper Ventnor on Education, Skills and Training at 2,735 and Income deprivation affecting children at 2,563.
- e) The Island is made up of 89 LSOAs and Ventnor Central is the 4<sup>th</sup> most deprived of them compared with 6<sup>th</sup> on the 2015 Index with only the two areas of Pan and Ryde North East ranking as more deprived.
- f) Upper Ventnor is the 11<sup>th</sup> most deprived of them compared with 15<sup>th</sup> on the 2015 rankings.

#### 4) THE ISLAND

- a) On the 2019 Index the Island as a whole ranks at number 80 on the 318 list of England's Local Authorities (compared with 83 in 2019).
- b) The range is from Pan's 1,904 and 2,807 to Bembridge North at 28,167 and Cowes Castle West at 28,805.

### 5) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to:

- i) record its concern about the increasing deprivation of the town's Central and Upper Ventnor areas in the trend revealed by the Indices of Multiple Deprivation from 2007 to 2019; and
- ii) authorises its Mayor and Town Clerk to ask the relevant senior politicians and senior officers to respond to this concern by supporting the specifics of the Town Council's regeneration plans on an urgent partnership basis as set out in Appendix A to this Report.