

Area Profile Belper

Key Characteristics

- **Population:** 21,823
- **Population Density:** 12.6
- **Area:** 1733 Hectares
- **Number of Households:** 9,480

Source: 2011 Census



Spatial Outline

The Belper area is located at the centre of Amber Valley Borough, approximately 8 miles north of Derby and 12 miles west of Nottingham. Belper is a fairly urban location with surrounding countryside at its western and northern boundaries. The area is linked to several communication corridors including the A6, the Derwent Valley Railway line and the River Derwent running north to south through its boundaries. It is noted for its industrial heritage and its location within a World Heritage Site. It is a place with attractive cultural and leisure spaces, served by transport links to larger conurbations. It has a thriving local economy and people with a strong sense of community. However, some of these qualities often conflict with one another and offer contrasting visions for the area.

Improving Places and Meeting Community Needs

Local Area: Belper covers 1733 hectares of land within Amber Valley.

Population: At the 2011 Census the population of the four wards making up Belper was 21,823.

Population Density: The population density of Belper is 12.6. This varies from 35.2 in Belper Central, 31.1 in Belper East, 8.5 in Belper South and 6.7 in Belper North.

Age: 43% of the population is aged between 30 –59 years, which is slightly higher than the Borough average. In Belper East there is a significantly higher percentage of children and a significantly lower percentage of people aged 60+, compared to the other three wards and the Borough overall.

Figure 1: Age Groups

	<i>Belper Central</i>		<i>Belper East</i>		<i>Belper South</i>		<i>Belper North</i>		<i>Amber Valley</i>	
<i>Age</i>										
0 – 17 years	987	18.5%	1,492	24.9%	1,140	20.0%	831	17.2%	24630	20.1%
18 – 29 years	674	12.7%	743	12.4%	713	12.6%	437	9.0%	15340	12.6 %
30 – 59 years	2,199	41.2%	2,776	46.4%	2,449	43.2%	2,016	41.6%	50381	41.2 %
60 – 74 years	971	18.2%	694	11.7%	864	15.3%	1,021	21.1%	21675	17.7%
75 + years	507	9.5%	273	4.6%	497	8.8%	539	11.1%	10283	8.4%

Source: Census 2011

Religion: The majority of Belper’s residents are of Christian belief (62%) followed by residents stating No Religion (29%) at the 2011 Census.

Country of Birth: The majority of Belper’s residents were born in England (94.6%) followed by the rest of the UK (2.1%) (Census, 2011).

Ethnicity: The majority of the population is white (97.6%) with a small but diverse ethnic population (2.4%) residing within Belper (Census, 2001).

Household Composition: 17% of people are married with dependent children which makes up the largest household type. However, this ranges from 24.7% in Belper East to 13.9% in Belper Central. In total, 28.5% of households are single person households, with 11.8% consisting of single persons over 65.

Figure 2: Household Type

Household Type (Percentage)	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley
Household (total)	2,403	2,402	2,528	2,147	52,596
1 person age 65+	11.7	8.5	12.6	14.5	12.8
1 person	19.3	15.2	18.7	13.5	15.1
Family, all 65+	9.8	6.8	7.3	13	9.6
Family, married/civil no children	15.7	14.2	14.6	17.2	15.4
Family, married/civil dependent children	13.9	24.7	14.3	14.8	15.4
Family, married/civil all children non-dep.	5.5	6.1	5.3	6	6.3
Family, co-habiting no children	6.7	7.3	7.9	6.1	6.4
Family, co-habiting dependent children	4.3	5.2	4.5	3.9	4.7
Family, co-habiting all children non-dep.	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.6
Family, lone parent dependent children	5.5	6.2	6.6	3.3	5.8
Family, lone parent all children non-dep.	3.5	2.2	3.2	3.2	3.4
Other households with dep. children	1.3	1.5	1.7	0.9	1.7
Other - all students	0	0	0	0	0
Other - all age 65+	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3
Other	2	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.8

Source: 2011 Census

Service Provision

Shopping Services: Belper town centre is relatively well served with independent retailers. However there are only a small number of national retailers for example Wilkinson. Belper South has a low retail provision with only a small number of local shops for convenience and comparison-shopping

Major Food Store: Morrisons, Chapel Street; Midlands Co-operative food store, 47 Strutt Street.

Market: A farmers market takes place every second Saturday of the month.

Post Offices: 2

Cmcs Ltd, Strutt Street; 30 Chapel Street, Holbrook; 80 Ripley Road, Sawmills.

Pharmacy: 5

Manor Pharmacy, 57 King Street; Boots, 12 King Street; Lloyds 53-55 King Street; Morrisons Pharmacy, Chapel Street; Manor Pharmacy, White Chapel Lane.

Dentists: 4

Belper Dental practice, 2 Green Lane; West House, 27 Chapel Street; O'Brien, Derwent Street; Unity Mill House, 1 Derwent Street.

GP Surgeries: 2

Cooke D, 59 Bridge Street; Whitemoor Medical Centre, Whitemoor Lane.

Community Clinics: 1

Belper Clinic, Babington Hospital, Derby Road.

A&E Hospital: 0

Local A&E Hospitals- Royal Derby Hospital approx 8.2 miles; Kingsmill Hospital at Mansfield approx 12.5 miles; Nottingham Queens Medical Centre approx 13.5 miles

Hospital: 1

Babington, Derby Road.

Opticians: 4

Uri Patel, 72 King Street; Lancaster and Thorpe 29b King Street; Specsavers, 46-48 King Street; Vision express, 3 King Street.

Infant School: 0

Junior School: 0

Primary School: 6

Pottery Primary School, St John's CE Voluntary Controlled Primary School, Belper Long Row Primary School, St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School, Herbert Strutt Primary School, Milford Community Primary School.

Secondary School: 1

Belper School and Sixth Form Centre

Colleges: 0

University in Locality: Derby University, Nottingham Trent University and Nottingham University.

Adult Education: Belper Adult Community Education Centre, Holbrook Road.

Places of Worship: 10

St. Peters Church, Chesterfield Road; Christ Church, Bridge Street; St Swithin, Holbrook Road; Belper Baptist, Bridge Street; Belper Congregational, Church Walk; Belper Central Methodist Church, Chapel Street; Our Lady of Pertecostal Churc Succour RC, Gibfield Lane; Unitarin, Field Row; Holy Trinity, Hopping Hill; Chevin Road Baptist Church, Chevin Road.

Restaurants and Cafes: Belper has a wide range of restaurants and cafes.

Hotels: 3

Dannah Farm Country House, Bowmans Lane; Lion Hotel, Bridge Street; Shottle Hall Hotel, White Lane.

Leisure Centres: 1

Belper Leisure Centre, Kilbourne Road, Belper.

Child Care: 20 Child Minders; 5 Play groups; 4 Toddler groups; 4, Nursery Schools;

Sure Start: 1

Belpers Childrens Centre

Safer Communities

Crime Rates: The levels of crime in Belper vary considerably across wards. Belper Central has significantly higher levels of anti-social behaviour and crime than the other three wards. It is the ranked 2nd worst ward for rates of Criminal damage/Arson and Shoplifting in the Borough. Overall, it is ranked the 5th worst ward in Amber Valley for anti-social behaviour and the 6th worst for crime. This compares to crime ranks of 13th, 16th and 18th for Belper South, Belper North and Belper East respectively.

Figure 3: Anti-Social Behaviour and Crime Rates

(Rate / 1000 people)	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley	Belper Central Rank (1=worst)	Belper East Rank	Belper South Rank	Belper North Rank
Anti-Social Behaviour	57	29.1	30.9	18.8	41.3	5th	14th	13th	19th
Criminal damage / arson	12.7	5	6	6.8	8.3	2nd	15 th	14 th	13th
Theft / burglary	23.2	13	17.5	12.6	24.1	8th	18th	13th	21st
Violence with injury	6.4	1.7	1.8	0	3.8	4th	13th	12 th	=23rd
Violence without injury	3.2	1.5	2.6	0.6	2.9	7th	16th	11 th	=23rd
Public disorder	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.6	10th	11th	14th	9th
Drug offences	1.7	2.2	1.1	0.8	2.5	13th	=23rd	15th	18th
Shoplifting	13.9	0	0	0	4.2	2nd	=23rd	=23rd	=23rd

Source: Safer Derbyshire Research & Information Team, Derbyshire County Council Jan – Dec 2013

Housing

House Prices and Affordability:

Figure 4: Housing Affordability

Borrowing ratio 95% house price to average income	
Belper	5.1
Amber Valley	4.2

Source: CACI Paycheck 2013 and Zoopla 2014

The average house price in Belper is 22.2% higher than the Borough average. Incomes in Belper are on average only 5.4% higher, and consequently affordability is worse.

Figure 5: Average House Prices

<i>Area</i>	<i>Detached</i>	<i>Semi-Detached</i>	<i>Terraced</i>	<i>Flat / Maisonette</i>	<i>Average</i>
Belper	£261,409	£155,211	£128,040	£135,470	£194,178
Amber Valley	£223,995	£124,930	£96,841	£122,389	£151,011

Source: Amber Valley figures – <http://news.bbc.co.uk/> based on April-June 2013 sales

Source: for Wards <http://www.zoopla.co.uk> based on Feb 2014 current values

Affordable Housing Rates: There is a demand for affordable housing in this area as in the whole of the Borough. From 2008-2013, 42 affordable dwellings have been developed.

Homelessness: In 2011/12, there were a total of 6 Priority Needs applicants in Belper and a total of 112 people approaching the service. This is significantly less than the Borough average.

Housing Stock Condition: The Amber Valley Housing Stock Condition Survey (2010) outlines the physical state of dwellings in Belper. Belper South has the highest number of non-decent dwellings with all three wards except Belper East having a higher proportion of non-decent homes than the average for the Borough. Belper Central and Belper South have 20% of all dwellings in total disrepair. There are a high number of residents in Belper living in fuel poverty.

Figure 6: Amber Valley Housing Stock Condition Survey 2010

<i>(percentage)</i>	<i>% Of non-decent homes</i>	<i>% Of households lacking modern facilities</i>	<i>% Of households lacking thermal comfort</i>	<i>% Of vulnerable households in non decent homes</i>	<i>% Of dwellings in disrepair</i>
Belper Central	44	2.3	23	13	20
Belper East	16	0.5	8	5	4
Belper South	45	2.7	23	14	20
Belper North	39	2.2	19	10	17
Amber Valley	37	1	15	12	17

Source: Housing stock Condition Survey 2010.

Dwelling Type: The majority of dwellings in Belper East are detached and there is a significantly lower proportion of flats here than in the other wards. There are more semi-detached houses in Belper South and more detached houses in Belper Central and North, than any other dwelling type. The proportion of flats in Belper Central is significantly higher than in the other wards.

Figure 7: Dwelling Type

<i>(percentage)</i>	<i>Belper Central</i>	<i>Belper East</i>	<i>Belper South</i>	<i>Belper North</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>
Detached	38.7	51.1	22.4	46.2	35.8
Semi-detached	23.2	27.2	39	31.3	36.5
Terraced	23.1	19	29.3	17.7	20.9
Flat/maisonette/apartment	15	2.8	9.3	4.8	6.6
Caravan/Temporary	0	0	0	0	0.1

Source: 2011 Census

Tenure: There are a large proportion of owner-occupiers in Belper (78%), which is higher than that for the Borough (74%). However, home ownership has fallen since the Census in 2001 when it was 83.3%. There are significantly lower levels of social housing in Belper compared to the Borough overall, however in Belper South levels are the same. Significantly more households privately rent in Belper Central than elsewhere in the town.

Figure 8: Tenure:

<i>(percentage)</i>	<i>Belper Central</i>	<i>Belper East</i>	<i>Belper South</i>	<i>Belper North</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>
Owned (outright)	39.9	31.8	34.2	48	38.2
Owned (mortgage)	35.1	51.1	38.1	34.3	35.9
Shared ownership	1.1	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.4
Social rented (LA)	1.3	2.1	6.5	2.6	5.1
Social rented (other)	5.4	2.6	5.3	2.7	7.2
Private rent	15.9	10.8	14	10.9	11.8
Living rent free	1.2	0.7	1.4	1.3	1.4

Source: 2011 Census

Communal Establishments: In 2011 there were 12 communal establishments and 224 people residing in them.

Figure 9: Communal Establishments

<i>Area</i>	<i>Communal Establishments</i>	<i>Communal Residents</i>
Belper Central	4	74
Belper East	0	0
Belper South	6	75
Belper North	2	75

Source Census 2011

Ward Building Rates: Over the last five years a total of 322 dwellings have been developed which is 26% of the total developed for the Borough.

Figure 10: Ward Building Rate

<i>Five Year Housing Land Supply – Ward Building Rate</i>						
	2008- 09	2009-10	2010- 11	2011- 12	2012- 13	TOTAL
Belper Central	35	13	8	31	54	141
Belper East	1	2	1	33	26	63
Belper South	25	37	32	9	0	103
Belper North	5	5	7	-2	0	15
Amber Valley	334	214	256	206	219	1229

Source: Amber Valley Borough Council cdpSmart database

Vacant Properties: Number of private empty dwellings at October 2013 = 152

- Belper Central 69
- Belper East 18
- Belper South 31
- Belper North 34

Local Plan Part 1 – The Core Strategy:

No dwellings are proposed for allocation in Belper in Local Plan Part 1 – The Core Strategy.

Twenty potential sites have been identified in the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) for Amber Valley.

Health

General Health: The majority of people consider their health to be very good or good (81.5%). A lower proportion of the Belper population is living with a limiting long-term condition (8%) compared to the Borough average of 9.4%. This is significantly less in Belper East (5%) where the proportion of people with bad and very bad health (2.8%) is also less than the Borough average (4.2%). This might be a reflection of the lower age profile in Belper East.

Figure 11: General Health

Percentages	<i>Belper Central</i>	<i>Belper East</i>	<i>Belper South</i>	<i>Belper North</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>	<i>England</i>
Very Good Health	44.1	53.7	45.3	43.5	44.0	47.2
Good Health	35.2	33.2	34.8	36.1	35.0	34.2
Fair Health	14.3	9.7	14.4	14.4	15.0	13.1
Bad Health	4.8	2.8	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.2
Very Bad Health	1.6	0.6	1	1.3	1.3	1.2

Source: 2011 Census

Multiple Deprivation: The Government’s Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2010 indicate that there is significant health inequality between neighbourhoods in the area. Two Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) in Belper East are in the 5% least deprived in the country and are also ranked the least deprived in the Borough. By

contrast one LSOA in Belper South and one LSOA in Belper Central are in the 50% most deprived in the country. The Health and Disability deprivation ranking of neighbourhoods ranges from one LSOA in Belper South being in the 50% most deprived in the country and one LSOA in Belper East being in the 10% least deprived. Generally, LSOAs in Belper are in the 50% least deprived in the country.

Life Expectancy: Local people in the Belper area have an above Borough and national average life expectancy, except for those living in Belper South.

Figure 12: Life Expectancy

<i>Life Expectancy at Birth: 2005-09</i>	<i>MALES</i>	<i>FEMALES</i>
<i>Belper Central</i>	81	83.2
<i>Belper East</i>	82.2	86.2
<i>Belper South</i>	76.5	80.6
<i>Belper North</i>	83.1	83.2
<i>Amber Valley</i>	78.8	82.8
<i>East Midlands</i>	80.2	81.8

Source: Public Health England (www.empho.org.uk)

Physical Activity

25% of adults and 18% of Year 6 schoolchildren are obese in Amber Valley and only 57% of adults undertake 150 minutes of physical activity per week. These figures reflect the national average.

Figure 13: Physical Activity

<i>%</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>	<i>England Average</i>	<i>England Worst</i>	<i>England Best</i>
<i>Physically Active Adults¹</i>	57.4	56	43.8	68.5
<i>Obese Adults²</i>	25.1	24.2	30.7	13.9
<i>Obese Children³</i>	17.5	19.2	28.5	10.3

Source: Public Health England – Health Profile 2013 Amber Valley

¹ % adults achieving at least 150 mins physical activity per week, 2012

² % adults, modelled estimate using Health Survey for England 2006-2008

³ % school children in Year 6 (age 10-11), 2011/12

Children and Young People

School Capacity and Educational Provision:

Figure 14: School Admissions Figures

Admissions numbers for 2013/14

Herbett Strutt Primary	30
Belper Long Row Primary	45
Pottery Primary	45
St. Elizabeth's Catholic Primary	30
St. John's CE Primary	70
Belper School and Sixth Form Centre	245

(source: Derbyshire County Council admissions book 2013/14)

There are six schools within Belper with the following capacity figures:

Primary: 220; Secondary: 245

Attainment:

Generally a higher percentage of students in Belper Primary Schools attain Level 4 or above in Maths and English than in Derbyshire overall.

Figure 15: Literacy And Numeracy Skills - Key Stage 2 Achieving Level 4 Or Above in English and Maths

	2012	2013
<i>Herbett Strutt Primary</i>	89%	88%
<i>Belper Long Row Primary</i>	83%	76%
<i>Pottery Primary</i>	74%	81%
<i>St. Elizabeth's Primary</i>	94%	100%
<i>St. John's CE Primary</i>	78%	84%
<i>LA (Derbyshire)</i>	83%	78%
<i>England</i>	79%	75%

Source: Department for Education 2014

Figure 16: GCSE Attainment Figures

As can be seen from the table below, 62% of students at Belper School achieved 5+ GCSE A*-C including Maths and English. This is higher than the Local Authority (Derbyshire) and National averages.

GCSE Attainment 2013	Belper School	LA (Derbyshire)	England
<i>Pupils Achieving 5+ GCSE (or equivalent) A*-C including Maths & English</i>	62%	59%	59.2%
<i>Pupils Achieving GCSE 5+ A*-G grades</i>	97%	96.4%	94.3%

Source: Department for Education 2014

Economic Prosperity

Household Income: Household incomes are quite diverse across the Belper area with those in Belper East being significantly higher than elsewhere in Belper and the Borough overall.

Figure 17: Household Income

2013

<i>Ward</i>	<i>Mean Income</i>	<i>Mode Income</i>
<i>Belper Central</i>	£33,686	10-15K
<i>Belper East</i>	£41,401	10-15K
<i>Belper South</i>	£33,774	10-15K
<i>Belper North</i>	£35,034	10-15K

Source: Paycheck CACI 2013

Belper Central 2013

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.5%	10.6%	13%	11.3%	9.2%	8.2%	7.3%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2013

Belper East 2013

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
1.6%	7.4%	10.1%	9.5%	8.2%	7.8%	7.3%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2013

Belper South 2013

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.6%	10.6%	13%	11.3%	9.2%	8.3%	7.2%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2013

Belper North 2013

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.3%	9.8%	12.8%	11.5%	9.2%	8.5%	7.3%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2013

2008

<i>Ward</i>	<i>Mean Income</i>	<i>Mode Income</i>
<i>Belper Central</i>	£32,720	20-25K
<i>Belper East</i>	£39,738	25-30K
<i>Belper South</i>	£32,354	20-25K
<i>Belper North</i>	£33,942	20-25K

Source: Paycheck CACI 2008

Belper Central 2008

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.4%	6%	10%	12%	12%	11%	9.6%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2008

Belper East 2008

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
1.4%	3.9%	6.9%	9.1%	10.1%	10.1%	10%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2008

Belper South 2008

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.4%	6.1%	10%	12.2%	12.4%	11.4%	9.7%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2008

Belper North 2008

0-5k	5-10k	10-15k	15-20k	20-25k	25-30k	30-35k
2.2%	5.8%	9.6%	11.5%	11.7%	11%	10%

Source: Paycheck CACI 2008

There are two calculations above identifying the average annual income for the residents of Belper.

Mean Income- The mean is the most common measure of average.

Mode- The mode is the number, which occurs most often in a set of data. There can be more than one mode.

It can be seen that average incomes rose slightly from 2008-2013. However, the modal incomes have reduced, which means that more households are earning less than they were 5 years ago.

Incomes are highest in Belper East and are 17.8% higher than the Borough average. Incomes in Belper North are 2.9% higher than the Borough average, but incomes in Belper Central and Belper South are slightly lower.

Economic Activity: Economic activity is significantly higher in Belper East and Belper South than in the Borough overall. Long term unemployment is lower in Belper than in the Borough and is significantly lower in Belper East.

Figure 18: Economic Activity

Economic Activity	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley	East Midlands	England
Economically Active (including unemployed and full-time students)	71.6	77.6	74.2	69.7	69.9	69.4	69.9
Economically Inactive (including retired, Long term sick/disabled)	28.4	22.6	25.8	30.3	30.2	30.8	30.1
Long Term Unemployed	1.4	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.7

Source: 2011 Census

Occupation: The largest occupational group in Belper is Professional, as it is for the Borough overall. However, the proportion of professional people in Belper is significantly higher than in the Borough. Associate professional and technical is second largest, which differs from the Borough overall, where Skilled Trades is the second largest occupational group.

Figure 19: Occupation

(Percentages)	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley	England
1 Managers, Directors, Senior officials	9.7	10.9	11.5	11.3	10.8	10.9
2 Professional	19.4	18.6	18.2	21.5	14.8	17.5
3 Associate professional & technical	12.7	12.5	13.6	12	11.0	12.8
4 Administrative & secretarial	10	11.7	9.3	11	10.7	11.5
5 Skilled trades	11.3	12.1	12.4	11.9	13.8	11.4
6 Personal services	9.9	9.5	9	8.3	9.0	9.3
7 Sales and customer services	8.5	6.6	6.3	5.2	7.4	8.4
8 Process plant and machine operatives	8.3	8.9	9.3	9.4	11.0	7.2
9 Elementary occupations	10.3	9.3	10.5	9.3	11.6	11.1

Source: 2011 Census

Unemployment: Unemployment rates vary across Belper, with rates in Belper East the lowest and in Belper South the highest. The latter equals the Borough rate, but overall for Belper there is lower unemployment than in the Borough.

Figure 20: Unemployment rates

(Percentages)	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley	England
December 2013	1.2	0.8	1.8	1.1	1.8	2.8

Source: Derbyshire County Council 2014

Benefits: At August 2013 a significantly lower percentage of Belper residents were claiming benefits compared to both Amber Valley and Great Britain. Within Belper the picture is varied with only 6% of people in Belper East on benefits compared to 10.3% in Belper Central. Generally around half of those on benefits are claiming ESA and incapacity benefits.

Figure 21: Benefit Claimants

(Percentages)	<i>Belper Central</i>	<i>Belper East</i>	<i>Belper South</i>	<i>Belper North</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>	<i>Great Britain</i>
Total claimants	10.3	6.1	10.1	8.1	12.1	13.6
Job seekers	1.8	0.9	1.6	1.8	2.1	3.2
ESA and incapacity benefits	5.8	2.9	4.4	3.8	5.7	6.1
Lone parents	0.4	0.5	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.3
Carers	0.7	0.7	1.1	0.9	1.5	1.3
Others on income related benefits	0.3	0.2	0.4	0	0.4	0.4
Disabled	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.2
Bereaved	0.1	0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2

Source – Nomis August 2013

Qualifications: The residents of Belper are better qualified overall than those of the Borough. 30% have Level 4 and above qualifications compared to 23% in the Borough and 22% have no qualification compared to 27% in the Borough.

Figure 22: Qualifications

(Percentages)	<i>Belper Central</i>	<i>Belper East</i>	<i>Belper South</i>	<i>Belper North</i>	<i>Amber Valley</i>	<i>England</i>
Usual Residents Aged 16 and over (Persons)	4,474	4,718	4,654	4,118	100,841	42,989,620
No Qualifications	23.7	16.7	23.7	22.8	27.0	22.5
Level 1 Qualifications	12.3	14.6	12.5	10.7	13.9	13.3
Level 2 Qualifications	13.8	17.9	13.3	13.7	15.5	15.2
Apprenticeships	5.3	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.6	3.6
Level 3 Qualifications	13.1	14.5	12.4	11.7	12.0	12.4
Level 4 & above Qualifications	28.1	29.1	30.6	32.5	23.2	27.4
Other Qualification	3.6	2.7	2.9	3.9	3.9	5.7

Source: 2011 Census

Employment Areas: There are five designated employment areas in Belper covering 23.25 hectares of land.

Local Industries: The manufacturing industry is the biggest employer in the area accounting for 17.5% of those employed. The other major industries are Human Health and Social Work (14%), Retail (13%) and Education (11.4%). (Source: Census 2011).

Transport

Transport Infrastructure: Several major roads including the A6, give access to Derby to the south and The Peak District and Manchester to the north. The A517 gives access to Ashbourne and the western parts of the Borough, whilst the A609 gives access to the eastern parts of the Borough and the A38.

Cycle Routes: The infrastructure to support sustainable modes of transport such as cycling, walking and other non-motorised transport has not been extensively developed particularly in Belper Town where they are most needed. A small part of

the Belper town centre has been pedestrianised and there are proposals to expand it as part of a multiuser route to reduce motorised traffic through the town.

Car Availability: 83.4% of households in Belper own one or more cars/vans. This ranges from 88.8% in Belper East to 79% in Belper Central, the latter of which is just under the Borough average of 80.8%.

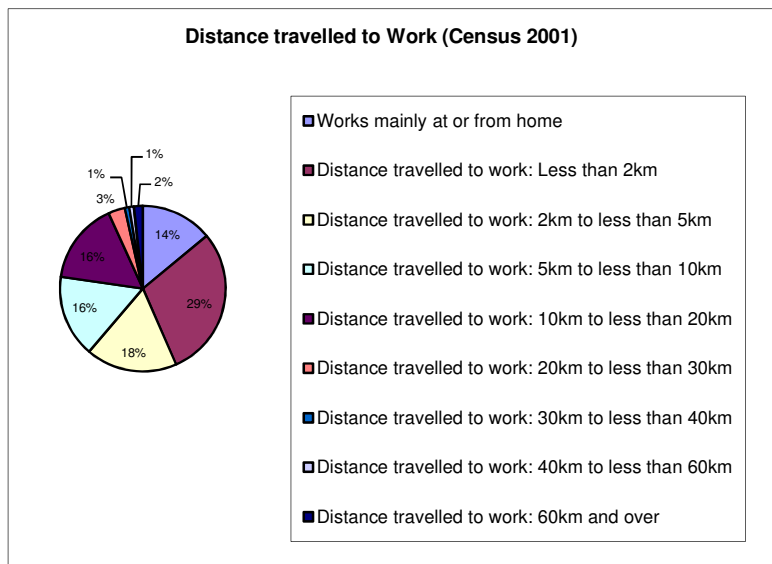
Method of Travel to Work: The majority (71%) of residents in Belper travel by car to work, however this ranges from 76% in Belper East to 66% in Belper Central reflecting the differences in car ownership between the two wards. A significantly larger percentage of Belper Central residents walk to work (14%) compared to the rest of Belper and the Borough overall. Twice the proportion of people in Belper travel to work by train compared to the Borough average, which is unsurprising as Belper is on the Midland Mainline to Derby and Sheffield.

Figure 23: Method of Travel to Work:

(Percentages)	Belper Central	Belper East	Belper South	Belper North	Amber Valley	England
Usual Residents Aged 16 -74 – in employment (Persons)	2,679	3,307	2,914	2,363	59,381	25,162,721
Work mainly at home	4.6	3.9	5.4	5.3	5.1	5.4
Train, tram etc	2.9	1.4	2.1	3	1.2	5.3
Bus, minibus, coach	3.8	3.8	4	2.6	4.1	7.5
Taxi	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5
Motorcycle, scooter, moped	1.2	0.8	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8
Driving car/van	66.2	76.4	70.6	71.3	71.0	57.0
Passenger in car/van	5.4	5.9	5	5.8	5.6	5.0
Bicycle	0.8	0.8	1.5	1.1	1.4	3.0
On foot	14.2	6.5	9.5	9.4	9.7	10.7
Other method	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6

Source: Census 2011

Distance Travelled to Work: 29% of residents travel less than 2km to work followed by 18% of residents travelling between 2km and 5km to industrial areas within Belper. A higher than average number of people work from home (14%) than the Amber Valley average of 5%.



Public Transport: The area is relatively well served by public transport with hourly bus services to Manchester in the North and local buses running every fifteen minutes.

Figure 24: Bus Timetable for Belper

Service	Route	Frequency
142	Alfreton-Crich-Belper-Nether-Heage.	Every 2 hours
143	Ripley- Ambergate- Belper	Every 2 hours
113	Ashbourne- Turnditch- Belper	Every 60-90 mins. No Sunday Service
6.1	Derby-Wirksworth-Matlock-Bakewell	Every 45 Minutes
7.1	Derby - Holbrook - Belper	Hourly
6.4	Derby-Belper	Hourly
6.3	Derby-Belper-Heage-Ripley	Every 15 minutes every 10 minutes before 9am
6.2	Derby-Belper-Heage-Ripley	Every 15 minutes every 10 minutes before 9am
6 X	Derby-Belper-Heage-Ripley	Every 15 minutes every 10 minutes before 9am
TP	Nottingham-Derby-Matlock-Buxton-Manchester	Hourly
138	Belper-Holbrook Moor-Kilburn- Heanor- Langley	Hourly
7.2	Belper Town Service	Hourly

Source: Derbyshire County Council 2014

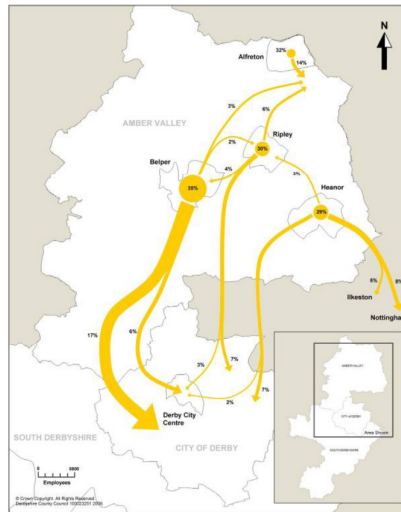
Community Transport: Belper is a Primary Service Area for community transport. Amber Valley Community Transport is now working with Chesterfield Community Transport under the name CT4TC, Community Transport for Town and County. They provide essential transport for people with disabilities, elderly people and community groups. There are 18 buses plus a single wheelchair vehicle. A Community Car Scheme is also operated where volunteers use their own cars to provide transport. A mileage charge is applicable on all journeys to cover running costs.

Derbyshire County Council's Dial a Bus service can be pre-booked and charges fares in line with public transport services. (Derbyshire County Council 2014).

Rail Services: Belper train station is located in the centre of the town and is served by East Midlands hourly train service between Derby, Nottingham and Matlock. According to the HMA Accessibility Study (2009), the train station is within the upper threshold walking distance for the population (as well as cycling and public transport distance). The rail station is within lower threshold walking distance for approximately half the population.

Location of Employment: Belper is the most significant employer in Amber Valley with approximately 7,000 jobs. According to the 2001 census, over 35% of employed residents of Amber Valley work within Amber Valley. The links to Derby are strong with 23% of employed residents of Belper travelling to and working in Derby; ¾ of whom travel to workplaces in Derby, outside the city centre. In addition to the town centre, significant employment areas in Belper exist south of the town along the A6 and west of the town centre. Another 5% of employed residents of Belper are destined for Ripley and Alfreton.

Significant Home to Work Destinations for Selected Amber Valley Communities



Accessibility: A collection of six essential service destination types have been identified to reflect those discussed in the Social Exclusion Unit Report (2003)-Making the Connections. The DfT Accessibility Indicators Report (2007) sets out the core indicators thresholds for each destination type.

Figure 25: Identified in the table below are the journey times to key services.

Key Destination	Journey Time Thresholds (mins)*	
	Lower	Upper
GP Surgery	15	30
Pharmacy	15	30
Post Office	15	30
Primary School	15	30
Secondary School	20	40
Supermarket/ Convenience Store	15	30

DfT Accessibility Indicators Report 2007 –Core Indicator Threshold

Figure 26: Travel Times to Key Destinations for Belper

	Doctors Surgery	Pharmacy	Post Office	Primary School	Secondary School	Supermarket
Travel Time Access by Cycle mins (16kph)	16	14.75	21.75	12.75	22.75	7.25
Travel Time by Foot mins (4.8kph)	16	14.75	23.75	12.75	27.5	29
Travel Time Access by Public Transport mins (weekday 0700-0900)	10.3	9.95	13.85	9.45	15.8	6.32

Average travel times Belper (Measurement of Existing Accessibility- Amber Valley SHLAA Sites) August 2009

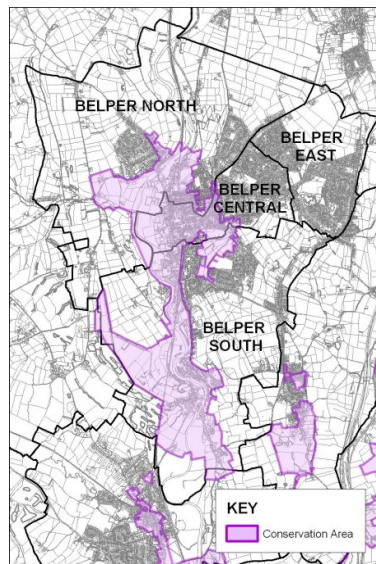
It has been identified that residents of Belper have to walk approximately twenty three minutes to the nearest Post Office this is higher than the recommended travel time published by the DfT 2007

Environment

Listed Buildings: There are 654 listed buildings in Belper this is 56.7% of the total listed buildings within the borough.

World Heritage Site: The Derwent Valley Mills were inscribed as a World Heritage Site on the World Heritage List in December 2001. The site approximately 24km covers a number of industrial sites and settlements from the Masson Mill at Cromford in the north to Derby Silk Mill in the south. The Derwent Valley saw the beginning of the factory system, when new types of buildings were erected to use waterpower to house the new technology used for spinning cotton. In the Derwent Valley for the first time there was a large-scale industrial production in a previously rural landscape. The need to provide housing and other facilities for worker and managers resulted in the creation of the first modern industrial settlements.

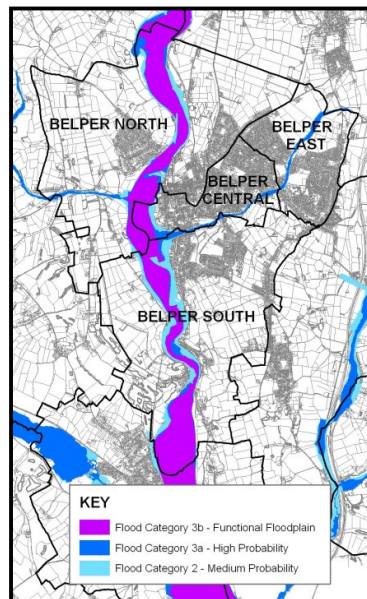
Conservation Areas: The Belper and Milford Conservation Area; an Article 4 (2) Direction applies to all dwellings in the Belper Milford Conservation Area. An Article 4(2) Direction removes most permitted development rights and means that planning permission is required for work to properties such as the replacement of windows and doors. Removing permitted development rights ensures all works protects and enhances the character of the Conservation Area and the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site.



Landscape Character Areas: The Belper area falls within the Derbyshire Peak Fringe and Lower Derwent Landscape Character area and consists of 3 character types namely Gritstone Heaths & Commons, Wooded Slopes & Valleys and Riverside Meadows. The centre of Belper town however is classed as Urban.

Green Belt/ Designated Sites: Approximately 40% of the area lies in the Green Belt and there are several biodiversity assets including 1 local nature reserves and 14 wildlife sites all of which are of significant local importance.

Water and Flood Risk: There are two major rivers that run through the area, these are River Derwent and the Coppice Brook. According to the Amber Valley Level 1 SFRA, most of the Belper area falls within the flood zone 1 and 2 (low and medium risk zone). However, flood zone 3a and 3b extends up to 250m on either side of the River Derwent and areas of land immediately adjacent to Coppice Brook- see map



Culture Arts and Tourism

The Belper Area has a rich and diverse culture and heritage owing to its evolution from a medieval settlement around the Church of St John the Baptist in the 12th century to the springboard for the industrial revolution and possibly the second largest town in Britain at the end of the 18th Century. Other areas that share a similar heritage with Belper include, Milford, Cromford and Darley Abbey. The Strutt's North Mill captures the industrial legacy of the area, a Grade 1 listed building itself and a good example of technological and building design innovation of its time, it is now a museum that displays the history and development of cotton spinning, framework knitting and nail making. Other sites include the Strutt Factory housing complex, Belper River Gardens, St Johns Chapel Heritage Centre, Derwent Valley Visitors Centre, the East Mill and other associated buildings and workers cottages amongst others.

Leisure and Recreation

Leisure Centres: 1

Libraries: There is 1 local library in Belper and the area is served by 5 mobile library visits.

Museum: Strutts North Mill

Parks and Gardens: There are several major areas in Belper that cater for local recreational needs. These include the Belper Leisure Centre, Belper River Gardens, which is a designated Historic Park and Garden and Belper Deer Park, a large natural area of woodland and grassland. There is also The Memorial Gardens adjacent to the main shopping street. Other places for leisure and recreation include natural and semi natural green spaces, Parks and Gardens, Green corridors etc.

Figure 21: Recreational Sites

Parks & Gardens	Natural and Semi natural green spaces	Green Corridors	Outdoor Sports Facilities	Amenity Green space	Children/ Young People	Cemeteries, closed churchyards	Civic spaces
4	4	3	3	6	24	3	1

Green Flag Awards: 0

Recycling Facilities: 4 – Railway Inn Covers Lane; White Hart, Sandbed Lane; Morrisons Car Park; Blue Inn, Farnah Green.

Community Centres: Strutts Centre

The Summary:

- **Housing:** The average house price for Belper is 22.2% higher than the rest of Amber Valley. In the last five years 322 dwellings have been built, 42 of which have been affordable.
- **Retail:** There is currently a moderate retail provision, with a weekly farmers market. Two large food stores also serve Belper.
- **Facilities:** Belper is served with a good range of facilities however these services are not always accessible. For example the nearest Post Office is approximately a 23 minute walk, which falls within the upper journey time threshold published by the DfT.
- **Education:** According to the 2011 census, 30% of the +16 population had achieved a Level 4/5 qualification, compared to the Borough's average of 23%. Also the proportion of people with no qualification (22%) was lower than the borough average of 27%.
- **Health:** There are inequalities between wards with men living the longest in Belper North and women living the longest in Belper East. People residing in Belper south have a lower life expectancy than the Borough and national averages.
- **School Capacity:** There are 6 schools in Belper. Admissions figures for 2013/14: Primary: 220 Secondary: 245
- **Population:** At the 2011 Census update there were 21,823 people residing in Belper with 12.6 people per hectare.
- **Deprivation:** The Government's Indices of Health Deprivation indicates that there is significant health inequality between neighbourhoods in the area. The Health and Disability deprivation ranking of neighbourhoods ranges from one LSOA in Belper South being in the 50% most deprived in the country and one LSOA in Belper East being in the 10% least deprived.
- **Transport:** Belper has fairly good transport links with a rail connections and a number of bus services connecting to the local towns and villages and outside of the Borough. Belper is served by the A6 providing good access to Derby.
- **Employment:** There are five designated employment areas in Belper covering 23.25 hectares of land.
- **Crime:** The levels of crime in Belper vary considerably across wards. Belper Central has significantly higher levels of anti-social behaviour and crime than the other three wards.
- **Employment:** Derby has the strongest economic relationship out of all the four main towns within Amber Valley 40% of Belpers residents are employed within the city.
- **Built Environment:** Belper falls within the Belper and Milford Conservation Area and all properties fall under an Article 4(2) Direction as a result of the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site.