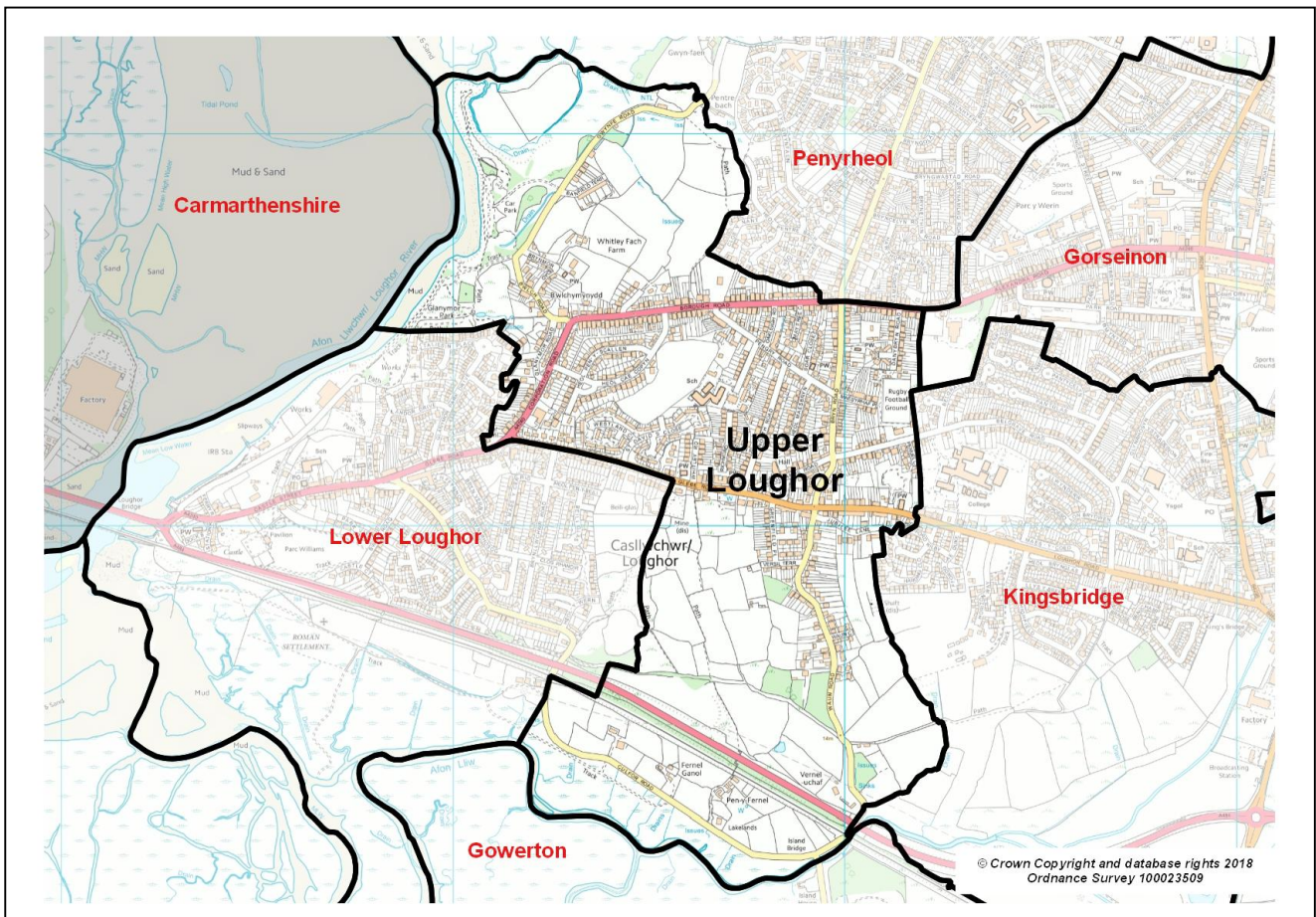


Information, Research & GIS (Strategic Delivery Unit), April 2022

The information in this profile relates to the former ward prior to the Council elections on 5 May 2022.

Profiles on the basis of the new wards will be developed as soon as possible.



- **Population: 2,900** (source: mid-2020 estimates, rounded - Office for National Statistics / ONS)
- **Location:** Approximately 9 kilometres north-west of the city centre, consisting of the north and east parts of the Loughor locality
- **Neighbouring Wards:** Penyrheol, Gorseinon, Kingsbridge, Gowerton, Lower Loughor
- **Constituency area (Welsh Government / UK Parliament):** Gower
- **Area:** 160 hectares / 1.60 km² (ONS, 2020)
- **Population Density (2020):** 1,816 people per km²
- **Population Change (2015 to 2020):** +100 / +5% (ONS estimates, rounded)
- **Employment:** 250 (ONS workplace estimate, 2020). Major employers: Swansea Council (primary school).



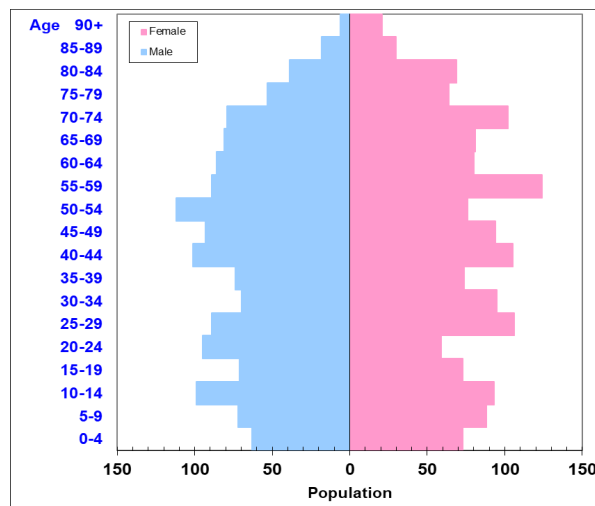
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POPULATION STATISTICS

Mid-2020 population estimates

Population	Upper Loughor		Swansea
	Total	%	%
Aged: 0-4	136	4.7	4.9
5-15	378	13.0	12.0
16-24	272	9.4	13.6
25-44	714	24.6	25.3
45-64	754	26.0	24.4
65-74	343	11.8	10.5
75+	300	10.4	9.3
Total	2,897	100	100
Male	1,390	48.0	49.8
Female	1,507	52.0	50.2



Source: Small area population estimates (2020), ONS.

- 8th lowest ward population in Swansea, but 14th most densely populated (2020)
- Population structure is relatively close to that of Swansea, but with lower proportions aged 16-24, and higher proportions aged 45+
- Birth rate higher and death rate lower than the Swansea average (2020)
- Upper Loughor has a relatively high proportion of people able to speak Welsh, born in Wales and older/couple households.

Births & Deaths	Upper Loughor	Swansea
Births (2020)	31	2,033
Birth Rate	10.7	8.2
Deaths (2020)	26	3,009
Death Rate	9.0	12.2

Source: 2020 statistics and population estimates, ONS.
Note: Birth and death rates expressed per '000 population.

2011 Census Data

Population Characteristics	Upper Loughor	Upper Loughor %	Swansea %
People: born in Wales	2,406	86.8	77.7
born outside UK	63	2.3	7.2
in non-white ethnic groups	49	1.8	6.0
with long-term health problem or disability	657	23.7	23.3
with no qualifications (aged 16+)	548	24.0	23.9
with higher level qualifications (aged 16+)	538	23.5	25.8
able to speak Welsh (aged 3+)	451	16.8	11.4

Household Composition	Upper Loughor	Upper Loughor %	Swansea %
Total households / (Average Household Size)	1,170	(2.4)	(2.3)
Household type: One person: Age 65+	163	13.9	13.4
Other	151	12.9	19.9
One family only: All aged 65+	136	11.6	8.7
Married or Same-Sex Civil Partnership Couple	448	38.3	30.4
Cohabiting Couple	98	8.4	8.6
Lone Parent	122	10.4	11.7
Other Household Types	52	4.4	7.3

Source: 2011 Census, ONS.

ABOUT THE WARD

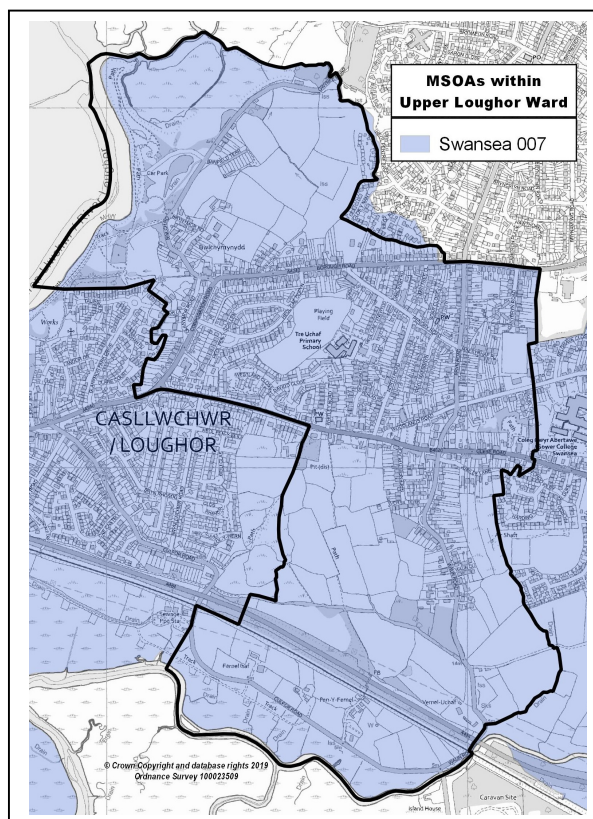
Upper Loughor Town, located inland and up the hill from Lower Loughor, was well established as a distinct settlement by the mid-19th Century, initially around the current Glebe Road area.

In common with neighbouring areas, Upper Loughor owes much of its early development to coal mining, with a number of significant local collieries, including the Broad Oak colliery (originating from the 1820s, and employing over 300 men by 1935) and the Cae Duke mine just east of Upper Loughor (which employed over 400 by 1923, but closed in 1947 and has since been developed for housing).

The development of coal, iron and steel industries encouraged further housing development in the early 20th century, particularly around the current Borough Road area further north in the ward.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC DATA

- Estimates of average net annual household income for Upper Loughor are available via ONS model-based estimates at MSOA (Middle Super Output Area) level for 2015/16. The figure for Swansea 007, the MSOA which most closely aligns to the ward (see map adjacent), is £28,200; the joint 12th highest (of 31 MSOAs) in Swansea and 5% above the Swansea median of £26,900.
- NS-SeC data (socio-economic position based on occupation) for the ward indicates a slightly higher proportion of people in the three main NS-SeC classes, but a lower proportion than Swansea in the 'never worked' and 'not classified' categories.



Socio-economic classification (NS-SeC)	Upper Loughor	U Loughor %	Swansea %
All usual residents aged 16-74	2,037	100	100
1-2. Higher managerial, administrative & professional	576	28.3	27.5
3-4. Intermediate occupations	478	23.5	20.3
5-7. Routine and manual occupations	771	37.8	33.9
8. Never worked and long-term unemployed	61	3.0	5.2
Not classified (full-time students)	151	7.4	13.1

Source: NS-SeC – 'National Statistics Socio-economic Classification' (three-class version). 2011 Census, ONS.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Accommodation Type and Tenure

Household Accommodation Type	Upper Loughor	Upper Loughor %	Swansea %
All household spaces (incl. vacant/second homes)	1,216	100	100
Detached	359	29.5	23.2
Semi-detached	615	50.6	33.3
Terraced (incl. end terrace)	205	16.9	26.4
Flat, maisonette or apartment	37	3.0	16.7
Caravan or other mobile/temporary	0	0.0	0.4

Household Tenure	Upper Loughor	Upper Loughor %	Swansea %
All households	1,170	100	100
Households: Owned: outright	535	45.7	33.4
Owned with a mortgage or loan	453	38.7	30.6
Households: Rented: Social Rented; from Council	54	4.6	12.7
Social Rented; Other (incl. RSL/HA)	10	0.9	6.5
Private Rented (total)	106	9.1	14.7
Other (incl. Shared Ownership, Living Rent Free)	12	1.0	2.0

Source: 2011 Census, ONS.

Average house price (by type), 2019-20

Ward \ Type:	Detached	Semi-det.	Terraced	Flat / mais.	All types
Upper Loughor	£230,575	£134,500	£109,975	n/a	£131,750
Change on year	-£16,920	-£9,500	n/a	n/a	-£37,250
Change %	(-6.8)	(-6.6)	n/a	n/a	(-22.0)
Swansea average	£255,000	£152,000	£118,250	£120,000	£155,000
%-change (annual)	+4.1% (+£10,005)	+2.0% (+£3,005)	+4.2% (+£4,750)	+0.0% (+£0)	+4.0% (+£6,000)

Source: House Price Statistics for Small Areas (HPSSAs), ONS. Note: £ figures are the median price paid by property type (where available) for year ending June 2020, calculated using Land Registry data.

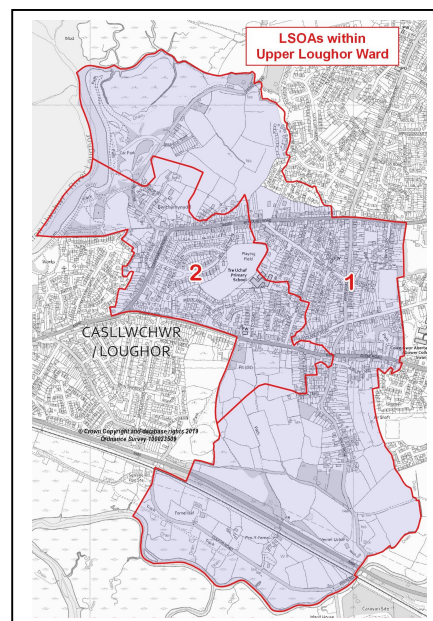
Dwelling Stock by Council Tax Band, March 2020

Council Tax Band:	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	Total
Upper Loughor	30	300	630	260	70	40	10	0	0	1,330
Upper Loughor %	2.3	22.6	47.4	19.5	5.3	3.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	100
Swansea %	15.1	25.0	21.6	15.0	11.4	7.1	3.4	1.0	0.5	100

Source: Valuation Office Agency (VOA) administrative database. [Note: aggregated, rounded Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) data]

WELSH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION

- WIMD 2019 based on Lower Super Output Area (LSOA) geography – Upper Loughor consists of two LSOAs.
- Upper Loughor 2 is ranked marginally higher overall (89th of 148 in Swansea, and 1330th of 1,909 in Wales) than Upper Loughor 1.
- For Upper Loughor 2, its highest rankings are in the housing and education domains (both just within the 50% most deprived in Wales).
- While overall deprivation for Upper Loughor 1 is lower, it is ranked relatively highly in the physical environment domain (in the 50% most deprived in Wales).



LSOA	Overall index	Domains: Income		Employment		Health		Education		Access to Services		Housing		Community Safety		Physical Environment		
UL 1	99	1530	99	1497	98	1268	88	1110	93	1389	84	1263	84	1248	104	1401	47	898
UL 2	89	1330	83	1154	82	1107	92	1170	66	941	76	1118	54	893	97	1297	140	1782

Source: WIMD 2019 (published November 2019), Welsh Government. Note: LSOAs ranked 1-148 (Swansea), 1-1909 (Wales).

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, LABOUR MARKET AND BENEFIT STATISTICS

Economic Activity (people aged 16-74)	Upper Loughor	U Loughor %	Swansea %
Economically Active	1,334	65.5	63.0
Employees: Part-time and Full-time	1,077	52.9	47.9
Self-employed	131	6.4	6.6
Unemployed	61	3.0	3.9
Economically Inactive	703	34.5	37.0
Retired	414	20.3	15.6
Looking after Home or Family	57	2.8	3.7
Long-term Sick or Disabled	117	5.7	6.9
Other	27	1.3	2.1
Students (economically active and inactive)	153	7.5	13.3

Source: 2011 Census, ONS.

Benefit claimants (selected, as at August 2020)	Upper Loughor	Est. Rate %	Swansea %
Claimant Count unemployment (JSA/UC)	85	4.9	6.0
Universal Credit (total claimants)	188	10.9	13.9
Incapacity Benefits (ESA and IB/SDA)	82	4.7	6.9
Disability-related benefits (PIP, DLA and AA)	327	11.3	12.5
Pension Credit (PC)	61	9.5	14.7

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.

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