# **Electoral Division Profile 2013**



### Westham Electoral Division

Total Population: 8,950 (2011 Mid Year Estimate, DCC) Number of Electors: 7,215 (March 2013, WPBC)

- Westham Electoral Division is composed of Westham North ward and Westham West ward.
- Within the division there is no library (the nearest is in Weymouth town centre) and 4 schools (all primary).

# Population

2011 Mid-Year Population Estimates, ONS & DCC	Westham Electoral	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset (DCC)	
	Division	rordand		
All	8,950	65,170	412,910	
% aged 0-15 years	17.8%	16.7%	16.3%	
% aged 16-64 years	59.2%	62.4%	58.5%	
% aged 65-84 years	19.4%	18.0%	21.3%	
% aged 85+ years	3.5%	2.9%	3.9%	

- Westham division has a total population of 8,950.
- The age profile of the area is younger than the County average, almost 18% are aged 0-15 years compared with 16% across Dorset.

# Westham Electoral Division, Weymouth & Portland

# Ethnicity/Country of Birth

Census, 2011	Westham Electoral Division	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset (DCC)
% white British	96.0	94.9	95.5
% Black and minority ethnic groups (BME)	4.0	5.1	4.5
% England	92.5	90.7	91.0
% born rest of UK	3.6	4.0	3.4
% Rep of IRE	0.2	0.4	0.4
% EU (member countries in 2001)	1.1	1.2	1.3
% EU (Accession countries April 2001 to March 2011)	0.7	1.0	0.7
% born elsewhere	1.9	2.7	3.1

4% of the population are of BME groups, slightly lower than the County average of 4.5%.

Households							
Census, 2011	Westham Electoral Division	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset (DCC)				
all household spaces	3,960	31,040	195,060				
% household spaces with no usual residents	2.6	8.8	8.2				
all household spaces with residents	3,860	28,540	180,210				
% owner occupied	66.2	67.4	72.7				
% rented (public)	23.5	13.6	12.4				
% rented (private) & others	10.3	19.0	14.9				
% no cars	25.8	24.7	15.5				
% 2 or more cars	30.6	29.6	41.0				
% of households 65+ (couples or lone, with/without dependents)	29.0	25.1	30.6				
% married couples with/without dependents	31.9	31.4	35.1				
% cohabiting couples with/without dependents	8.5	10.1	8.4				
% lone parents with/dependents	11.7	9.8	7.6				
% all others	19.0	23.6	18.4				
average household size	2.3	2.3	2.3				

• Westham has a low proportion of both vacant properties and second/holiday homes. Overall 97.4% of dwellings have permanent residents.

• 23.5% of households in the division are rented from the Council or a housing association, almost double the County average.

• The level of car ownership is low, almost 26% of households do not have a car.

# Health and Care

Census, 2011	Westham Electoral Division	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset (DCC)
% long term illness/disability	24.0	21.6	20.1
% health very good/good	76.7	79.0	80.5
% health very bad/bad	7.2	5.9	5.0
% provides unpaid care	12.2	11.5	11.9
% all usual residents in communal establishments	0.6	2.8	2.3

• Overall, the health of those who live in Westham division is worse than the County average.

• 24% of the population have a long term illness or disability, the County average is 20%.

• Over 7% described their health as bad/very bad, above average for Dorset (5%).

# **Employment and Qualifications**

Census, 2011	Westham Electoral Division	Weymouth & Portland	Dorset (DCC)
all usual residents aged 16 to 74	6,400	47,870	293,440
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 economically active	4,200	32,100	199,940
% part-time	26.5	25.5	23.1
% full-time	50.4	51.3	51.0
% self-employed	12.7	13.8	18.4
% unemployed	6.1	5.8	4.0
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 economically inactive	2,200	15,770	93,500
% retired	58.6	55.1	63.6
% student	9.2	9.4	10.0
% looking after home/family	10.8	11.4	11.3
% sick/disabled	15.9	14.9	9.7
% other	5.3	9.1	5.4
all usual residents aged 16 and over	7,350	54,310	345,600
% of all usual residents aged 16 and over no qualifications	27.6	22.5	21.3
% of all usual residents aged 16 and over with higher level qualifications	17.2	22.5	27.0
all usual residents aged 16 to 74 in employment	3,900	29,990	190,900
% high skill occupation	31.2	35.6	40.0
% intermediate skill occupation	48.8	45.5	43.4
% low skill occupation	20.0	18.9	16.6

• Of those who are economically active, over 50% are employed full-time and 26.5% are employed part-time. Only 12.7% are self-employed, significantly lower than the County average of 18.4%.

- Unemployment in the division is higher than the County average. 6.1% of the economically active population are unemployed compared with 4% across Dorset.
- Of those who are economically inactive (aged 16-74) Westham has a high proportion who are permanently sick or disabled, 15.9% compared with a County average of 9.7%.
- Almost 28% of those aged 16+ have no qualifications, the figure for Dorset is 21%.
- Just 31% have a high skill occupation, the County average is 40%.

### Index of Deprivation 2010, CLG.

Lower Super Output Area	IMD Rank
Westham North Goldcroft Road	8,747
Westham North Westhaven	3,813
Westham North Southill	18,868
Westham West St Augustines	12,528
Westham West Lanehouse	9,927

### • IMD Stands for the Index of Multiple Deprivation

- All Lower Super Output Areas in England are ranked from 1 for the most deprived to 32,482 for the least deprived
- Westham North Westhaven is the most deprived area in this division and is within the top 20% nationally
- Three areas Westham North Westhaven, Westham North Goldcroft Road and Westham West Lanehouse are all within the top 35% nationally for deprivation

# MOSAIC socio-economic classifications, 2012

Rank	Westham ED Top 5 Mosaic Public Sector Types		Dorset CC %
1	Older families in low value housing in traditional industrial areas	8.3	0.6
2	Often indebted families living in low rise estates	8.0	2.9
3	Middle aged couples and families in right-to-buy homes	7.7	1.8
4	Retired people of modest means commonly living in seaside bungalows	7.1	3.5
5	Empty nester owner occupiers making little use of public services	6.9	3.0

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# Average House Prices

	Postcode district	Detached	Sales	Semi-Det	Sales	Terraced	Sales	Flat/Mais	Sales	Overall Average	Total
Westham ED	DT4	£268,276	38	£211,069	23	£166,214	51	£129,686	34	£191,338	146
Dorset		£343,117	689	£233,079	304	£196,327	413	£162,160	220	£260,776	1,626
England & Wales		£324,602	43,260	£201,427	47,961	£196,327	50,491	£243,379	30,131	£238,293	171,843

Source: HM Land Registry, based on sales Oct-Dec 2012

### Citizens' Panel Questions—March 2011

Questions —Westham ED	Yes	No	Net Agreement
Do you feel that you can influence decisions made by Dorset County Council?	15%	60%	-46%
Do you feel informed about Dorset County Council?	48%	38%	10%
Do you agree that Dorset County Council offer value for money?	27%	46%	-19%

### **Council Tax**—2012/13

	Westham	Notes
Band D	£1,676.24	

### Earnings — median weekly earnings of full time employees

	Workplace based	Residence based
DCC Dorset	£458.50	£480.00
Christchurch	£477.40	£486.20
East Dorset	£458.50	£518.10
North Dorset	£379.90	£479.80
Purbeck	£484.60	£439.50
West Dorset	£452.70	£506.30
Weymouth & Portland	£437.50	£449.10

### **Crime Rates**

Area	Rate of total crime per 1,000 population
Westham ED	53.9
DCC Dorset	45.7
South West Region	61.2
England & Wales	72.0

Sources: Dorset County Council, Dorset Police  $\ \& \ ONS.$  For further detail contact 01305  $\ 224984$ 

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 2012, ONS

Unemployment Source: Claimant Count, Jan-Dec 2012, ONS								
Area	Male		Female		Total		% of claimants long	
	number	rate	number	rate	number	rate	term unemployed	
Westham ED	99	4.1	53	2.1	152	3.0	11.3	
DCC Dorset	2,605	2.2	1,341	1.1	3,946	1.6	12.1	
Great Britain	1,011,913	5.1	514,638	2.6	1,526,551	3.8	25.0	

### Employment Business Register and Employment Survey 2011, ONS

Area	Employees in employment	% employed in the service sector		
Westham ED	1,700	77%		
DCC Dorset	148,700	81%		
Great Britain	26,561,700	85%		
Note: Excludes self-employed & agricultural employment				

Firms Source: MINT Database Jan 2013

		% employing
	Number of	1-10 people
	firms	(micro firms)
Westham ED	620	95%

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