

2003 WARD PROFILES

Burneside

This profile presents a useful array of factual information about the residents of **Burneside**, which is located in South Lakeland.

The information presented here is taken from a wide range of sources, and is intended to present an informative picture of the type of people who live here.

Much of the data is taken from the 2001 census – which is regarded as the best source of ward based information available.

POPULATION BREAKDOWN

In 2002, there were 1,993 people living in the Burneside ward.

POPULATION

| | |
|--------------------|-------|
| Population in 2001 | 1,988 |
| Population in 2002 | 1,993 |
| Percentage Change | 5 |
| | 0.3 |

Source: Office of National Statistics, Policy Unit, 2002.

The table below shows the percentage of the population which falls into each age category.

AGE STRUCTURE

| | Local % | Cumbrian % |
|------------|---------|------------|
| Aged 0-14 | 17.3 | 17.4 |
| Aged 15-29 | 14.0 | 15.6 |
| Aged 30-44 | 19.2 | 21.6 |
| Aged 45-59 | 26.0 | 21.1 |
| Aged 60-74 | 16.6 | 15.7 |
| Aged 75-84 | 5.5 | 6.5 |
| Aged 85+ | 1.4 | 2.2 |

Source: Office of National Statistics, 2001 Census, Crown Copyright.

POPULATION DENSITY

Cumbria is the third most sparsely populated county, and has only 0.7 persons per hectare.

Within the county, there are substantial variations in population density. Burneside has a population density of 0.5 persons per hectare. The population density places this ward in the category of Supersparse.

NB: There are 3 quality categories, defined as: Urban (more than 4 persons per hectare); Sparse (between 0.5 and 4 persons per hectare); and Super-sparse (under 0.5 persons per hectare).

BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Measuring changes in the population is important for service planning. Part of this process involves looking at the number of births and deaths experienced in each area.

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Number of births in Burneside | 14 |
| Number of deaths in Burneside | 11 |
| Natural Replacement Index | 1.3 |

Source: Vital Statistics, Office of National Statistics, 2002.

N.B. An index of less than one indicates fewer births than deaths.

Although an area may have a negative natural replacement it does not necessarily mean the size of local population is in decline – other factors such as inward and outward migration will also have a bearing.

The majority of children in England & Wales are born to married couples, although the proportion has decreased significantly over the past few years. In 2000, 39% of births were outside of marriage. Despite this increase in births outside marriage, there is evidence to suggest:

- Most of the births occurred to mothers who had partners – 80% of births were jointly registered, of which the majority lived at the same address (78%)
- Births outside of marriage were particularly common to mothers in the younger age group – in 2000, 77% of solely registered births were to women aged under 30.

HOUSING TENURE

In 2001 there were a total of 843 households with residents in Burneside. The breakdown for household tenure is shown below.

HOUSING TENURE

| | Number | Percentage |
|--------------------------|--------|------------|
| Owned Outright | 275 | 32.6 |
| Buying | 292 | 34.6 |
| Local Authority Rented | 88 | 10.4 |
| Housing Authority Rented | 63 | 7.5 |
| Privately Rented | 85 | 10.1 |
| Other | 40 | 4.7 |

Source: Office of National Statistics, 2001 Census, Crown Copyright.

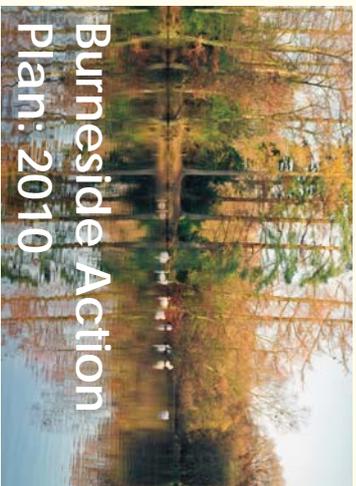


BURNESIDE ACTION PLAN: 2010



| THE ACTION | HOW IT WILL BE TACKLED | PARTNERS | TIMESCALE |
|---|---|--|-----------------------|
| <p>1. Improve provision of local transport</p> <p>(Community)</p> | <p>Work with County Council, transport providers and user groups to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provide bus services at convenient times - have all trains stop at Burneside station - promote local transport timetables | <p>Parish Council County Council, transport providers and user groups</p> | <p>Within 4 years</p> |
| <p>2. Maintenance & Improvement of Highways & Footways</p> <p>(Highways & Traffic)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work to improve the state of road surfaces, footways & associated highways problems. - Investigate provision of a shared "lengthsman" for Burneside parishes - provide safe pedestrian footways for sections of Hall Rd & Hollins Lane | <p>Parish Council County & District Councils Upper Kent Parishes Private sector</p> | <p>Within 5 years</p> |
| <p>3. Campaign against Littering & Dog Fouling</p> <p>(Environment)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request greater provision & oversight of general waste & dog bins. - Promote use of bins - Explore issue of fixed penalties - Litter-pick days for volunteers | <p>SLDC Cumbria Police Residents Association Private/voluntary sector</p> | <p>Within 3 years</p> |
| <p>4. Improving road safety</p> <p>(Highways & Traffic)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Repainting of yellow lines & clear signage of parking restrictions - Re-examination of speed limits where appropriate - Provision of speed indicator devices | <p>Parish Council County Council (Capita) Cumbria Police</p> | <p>Within 5 years</p> |
| <p>5. Village Improvements</p> <p>(Community)</p> | <p>To devise a "facelift" scheme to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - improved signage & public information boards - eradication of graffiti - planting up of areas - to petition for sewage improvements to be included in United Utilities 5 year plan for 2010 - provision of a village "Gateway" sign in conjunction with speed calming measures | <p>SLDC South Lakes Housing Progress Housing Private sector Residents Association United Utilities</p> | <p>Within 2 years</p> |

| THE ACTION | HOW IT WILL BE TACKLED | PARTNERS | TIMESCALE |
|--|---|--|----------------|
| 6. Promoting a sense of Community Spirit (Community) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting work of the Heritage Group - Devising a Burnside Festival - Organising & supporting cultural/social events - Defending encroachment of Green Spaces from Kendal - Investigate cinema at the Bryce - Supporting the development of the Bryce as a village centre | Parish Council Residents Association Heritage Group Private sector | Within 3 years |
| 7. Survival of the Post Office (Community) | Encourage regular use of the Post office & campaign against any threatened closure | Post Office Parish Council Residents Groups | Within 5 years |
| 8. Preparation of Emergency Planning (Community) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify threats that are particular to our community - Undertake the completion and maintenance of a Community Emergency Plan - Provide the focal point and management of the community response to an emergency | SLDC/CCC Cumbria Police/Fire NHS Residents Groups Private/voluntary sector | Within 5 years |
| 9. Improving Provision for Youth (Community) | - To investigate the feasibility of a youth council to include representatives of the Youth Club, Sports Clubs, School & Pre-school, Bryce & Church in order to promote and co-ordinate activities for young people | Parish Council SLDC Cumbria Youth Cumbria Police/fire Voluntary & private sector | Within 5 years |
| 10. Improving Participation in Decision Making (Community) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To investigate the feasibility of a Council/Residents news magazine, twice yearly - Promote single issue meetings/debates - Investigate provision of a Council Office/room | SLDC/CCC South Lakes Housing Progress Housing Private sector Residents Association | Within 3 years |



BURNESIDE PARISH PROFILE:

Burneside Parish Council is a combined parish council: it is the amalgamation of the civil parishes of Strickland Roger and Strickland Ketei. The parish adjoins the northern side of Kendal and the village of Burneside is 2.5 miles from Kendal.

The population of the parish is approximately 1600 (2001 census) mainly centred in Burneside and the remainder in the smaller settlements of Cowan Head, Bowston, Bonninggate, Plantation Bridge and Garnett Bridge and on the farms that are scattered throughout the area.

The age structure of the parish is broadly similar to that for Cumbria as a whole, but the most pronounced difference is in the 45 – 59 age group which form 26% of the population of Burneside compared with 21.1% for Cumbria as a whole.

The majority of households (54%) have a gross household income of between £10,000 and £30,000, but 13.6% have a household income of below £10,000 and 10% have a gross income in excess of £50,000.

The parish is, and always has been agricultural and industrial. The rivers Kent & Spirit both flow through the parish and these along with their tributaries have provided the motive power for a variety of mills. On the site of the present day paper mill there has been woollen, cotton, sickle, fulling and corn mills. The settlements of Cowan Head and Bowston both had a paper mill but in the last 40 years all the

production has been combined on the Burneside Mills site.

Background to the Community Led Plan:

Our old Parish Plan from 2002 needed revision. Consultations on the new plan began in December 2008 when a steering group of three parish councillors was set up. Additional members of the group were co-opted later from other councillors and residents.

The steering group met regularly and were assisted by members of the South Lakes District Council (SLDC), Cumbria County Council (CCC), and especially from Action with Communities in Cumbria (ACT). We thank ACT for their help with funding towards the production of the plan.

Questionnaires were sent to residents, businesses, youth and local community groups. There were three public meetings and local groups and committees were visited for comments. Reports on progress were given regularly through the parish newsletter.

The Results

Of the 850 surveys sent out, there was a 65% return. There were also 16 individual replies from businesses and young people.

The questions addressed:

- Transport and traffic
- Environment
- Community Spirit
- Housing
- Education
- Safety and well being

Summary of Findings

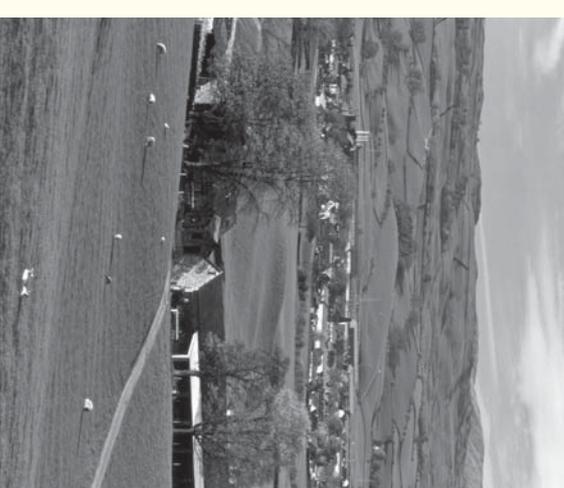
Generally speaking people found Burneside a safe and friendly place to live, and appreciated elements of the rural environment.

The main issues raised were:

- ✔ Traffic problems and speeding vehicles
 - ✔ Poor drainage, sewers and flooding
 - ✔ Litter, and the general appearance of the area
 - ✔ Poorly maintained verges and footways
 - ✔ Dog fouling
 - ✔ Lack of repairs to Highways and the general erosion of road surfaces in the area
 - ✔ Provision of public transport
 - ✔ Provision for Youth
 - ✔ Strengthening a sense of Community
- The Action Plan deals with these and other matters. It provides a guide for tackling some of the problems which residents have raised.

The Next Stage

Over the coming months it is hoped that, by working together, progress can be made towards making the plan translate into positive action.



This will require the whole community, residents and councils (at all levels), young and old, volunteering to help and take part in turning these suggested improvements into a reality. It is hoped that people will get together forming groups to take on specific issues. Details will be posted in the Parish Newsletter and on Parish Council notice boards, so keep watch.

And a big "Thank You" to all who have helped and participated so far.

