

# Thorpe Parish Statement (draft)



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Thorpe settlement is located between Fenny Bentley to the east and Ilam to the west. Thorpe is regarded as the 'gateway' to Dove Dale, a valley along the River Dove, owned and managed by the National Trust and a tourist attraction for walkers.

The settlement is loose-knit in layout with groups of buildings and open green spaces in-between. The Conservation Area was designated in 1997 and has an accompanying Conservation Area Appraisal.

Thorpe is located within the 'village farmlands on shale ridges' landscape type of the Derbyshire Peak Fringe character area (LSAP 2009).



The village is dominated by the conical hill of Thorpe Cloud which guards the entrance to Dovedale. “Thorpe” means farm in Scandinavian languages. Danish settlers did not generally penetrate far into the Peak District, apart from a few farmers bringing sheep to graze on the lush grass. Vikings started settling in the area around 800 AD.

The village was mentioned in the Domesday Book in 1086 as land belonging to the King.

The village clusters around the beautiful St Leonards Church with its Norman tower built about 1100 AD. The church building is open during the hours of daylight. The south porch of St Leonards Church has some interesting grooves in either side of the doorway – these are arrow sharpening marks. A sundial tops a pedestal in the churchyard and as it is too high to be read by pedestrians, it is safe to assume it was designed for horse riders.

The Dovedale Dash is organised annually (the first Sunday in November) by the Thorpe villagers. It is a cross country race of 4¾ miles run by up to 1,500 people of all abilities. One of the excitements is the crossing of the River Dove at the well-known stepping stones. Any surplus from the proceeds of the race go to local charitable causes and the upkeep of Thorpe village hall.

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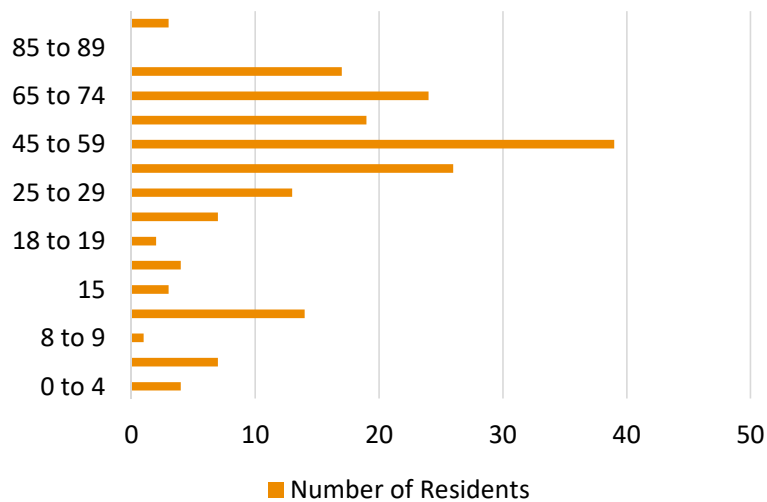


Community aspirations

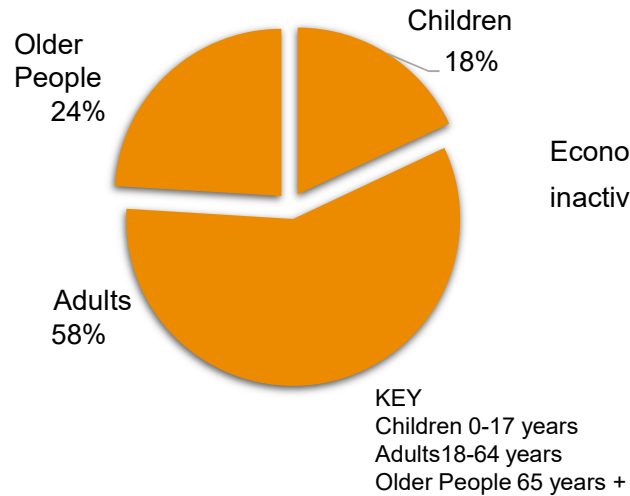


## Population and Demographics

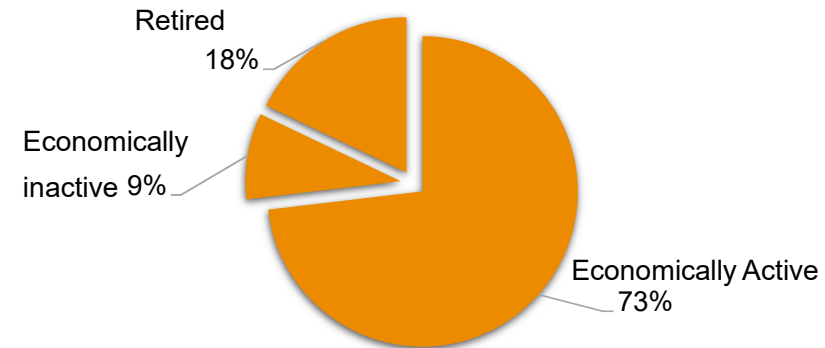
### Population Age Range



### Children, Adults and Older People



### Working and Non Working Adult Population (18+ years)



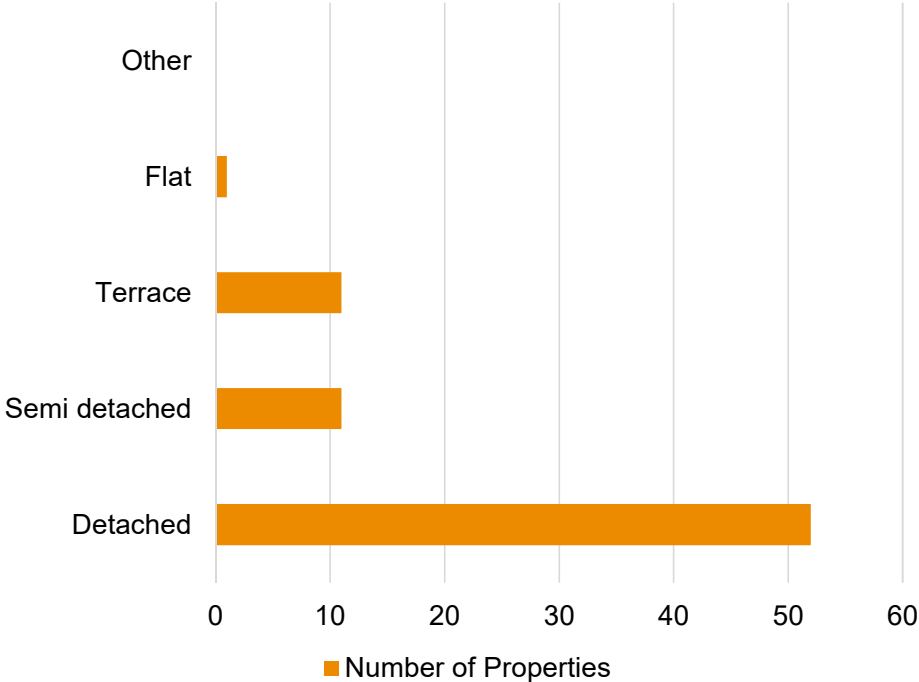
Source: Census 2011

The parish has a population of 183 residents (2011 census).

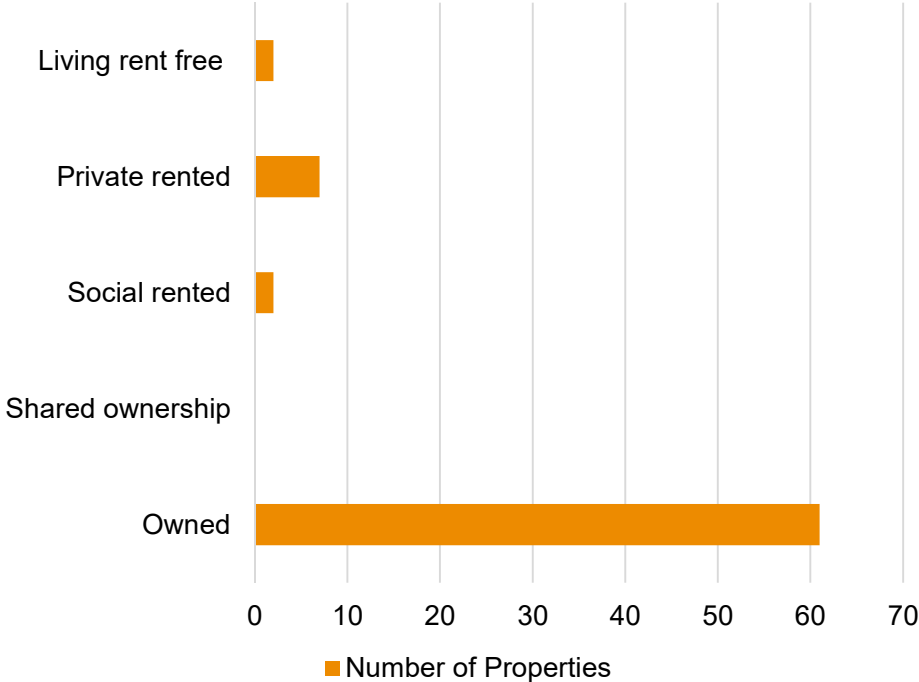


# Housing

### Housing Type



### Housing Tenure

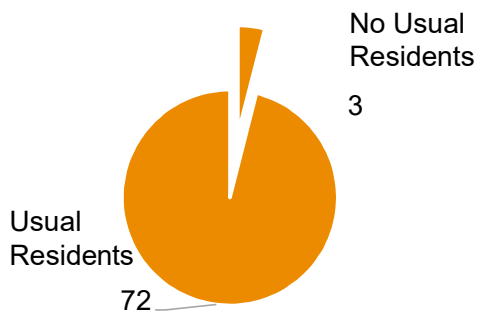


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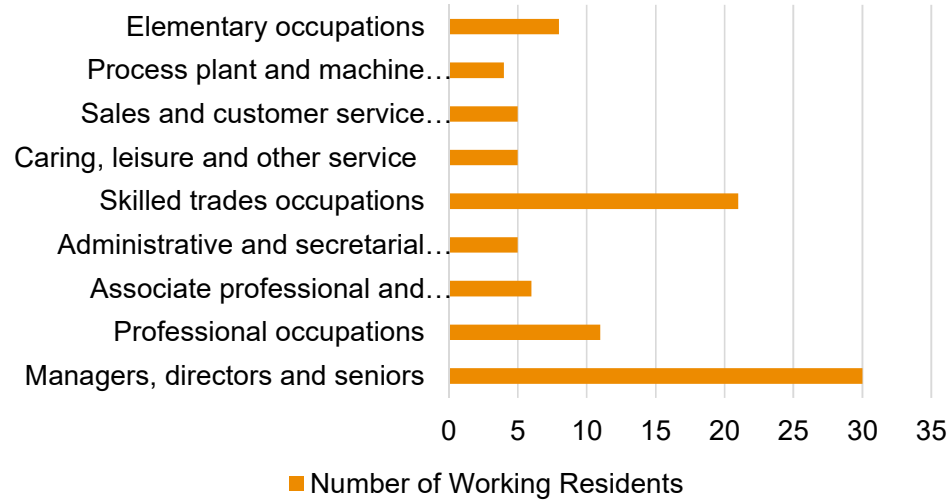
## Residency

### Occupancy of Properties



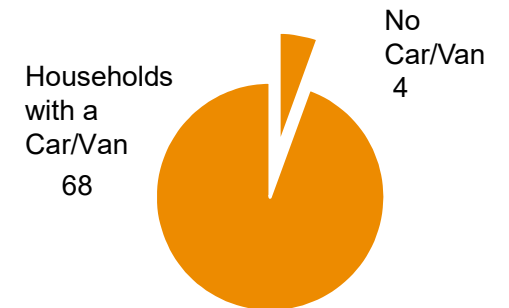
## Employment

### Occupations of Working Adults



## Car/ Van Ownership

### Households with a Car/Van





## Settlement Amenities

Accommodation	★
Events/Traditions	★
Groups	★
Website/Newsletter	★
Conservation Area	★
Car Parking	★
Church	★
Post Box	★
Public House	★
Good Public Transport Route (5+ services a day)	┆
Within 1 Mile of an A or B Road	★
Distance to General Practice (miles)	2.9
Industrial Units	┆
Playing Field	┆
Playground	┆
Community Hall	★
Primary School	┆
Post Office	┆
Convenience Food Shop	┆

Key



Is present

Is not present



## Public Transport

Service	Route	Bus Company	Days	Frequency
Moorlands Connect	Ilam –Leek	Ashbourne Community Transport	Mon/Weds	Twice a day
Moorlands Connect	Ilam -Buxton	Ashbourne Community Transport	Fri	1 a day
Derbyshire Connect	No specific route but operates around the southeast area of the Peak District and Derbyshire	Ashbourne Little Bus	Mon-Sat	Mon-Fri: Btwn 07:00-19:00 Sat: Btwn 08:00-19:00

Source:  
<https://www.derbysbus.info/times/timetables/>





## Access to Essential Services

	Service	Time in Minutes
Walking	General Practice	60+
	Pharmacy	60+
	Post Office	60+
	Primary School	50-60
	Secondary School	60+
	Shop	60+
Public Transport	General Practice	40-50
	Pharmacy	40-50
	Post Office	40-50
	Primary School	30-40
	Secondary School	40-50
	Shop/Supermarket	30-40

Source: Derbyshire County Council

## Community

Sports clubs	
General	
Traditions	
Events	Events at the village hall, Dove Dale Dash

Source: Parish Council

### Planning

Over the last 5 years, 9 planning applications have been approved in the parish

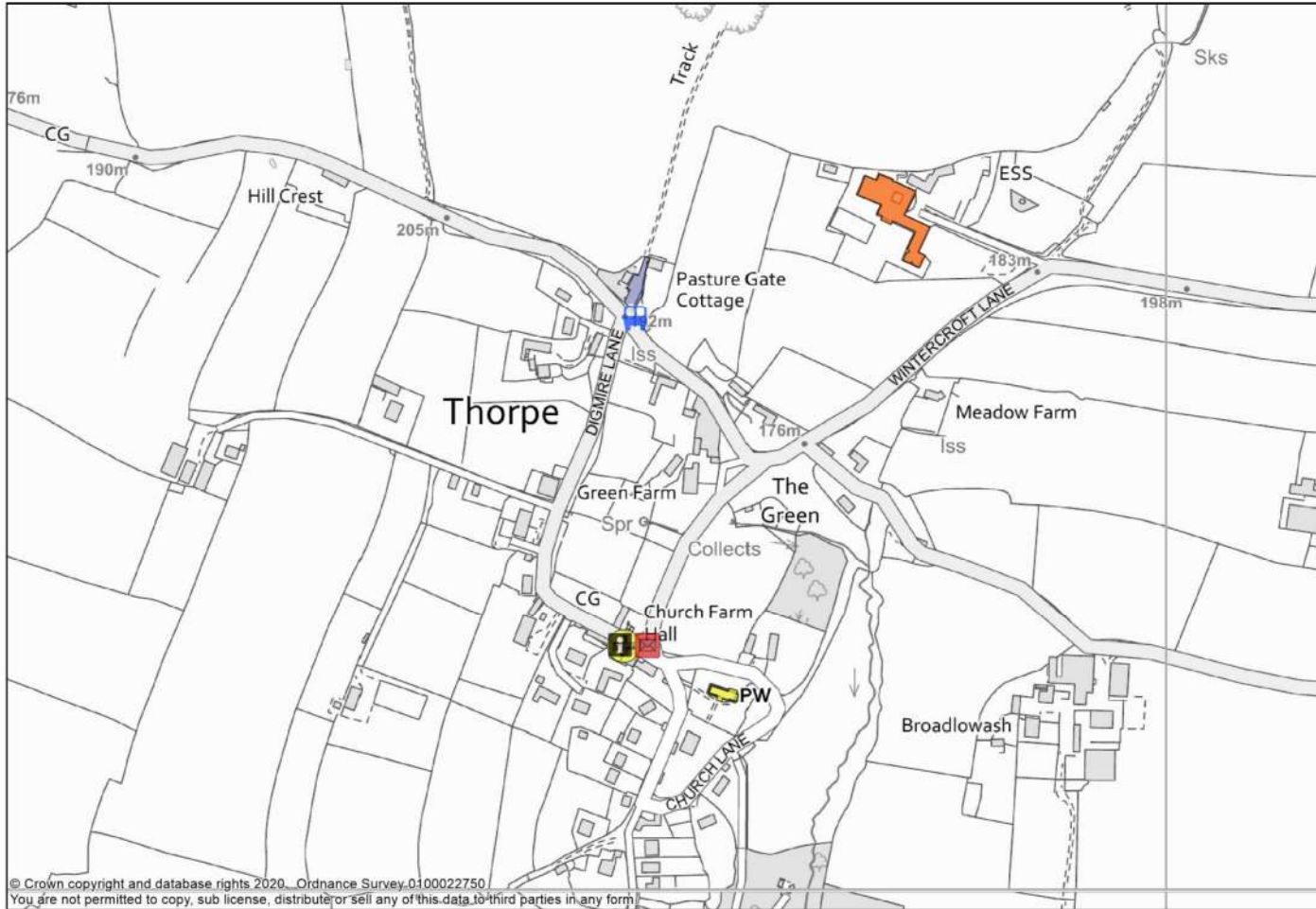
### Digital Presence

<http://www.thorpevillage.co.uk/>

### Affordable Housing

There are no plans to build affordable housing in the parish at present.

# Thorpe Services



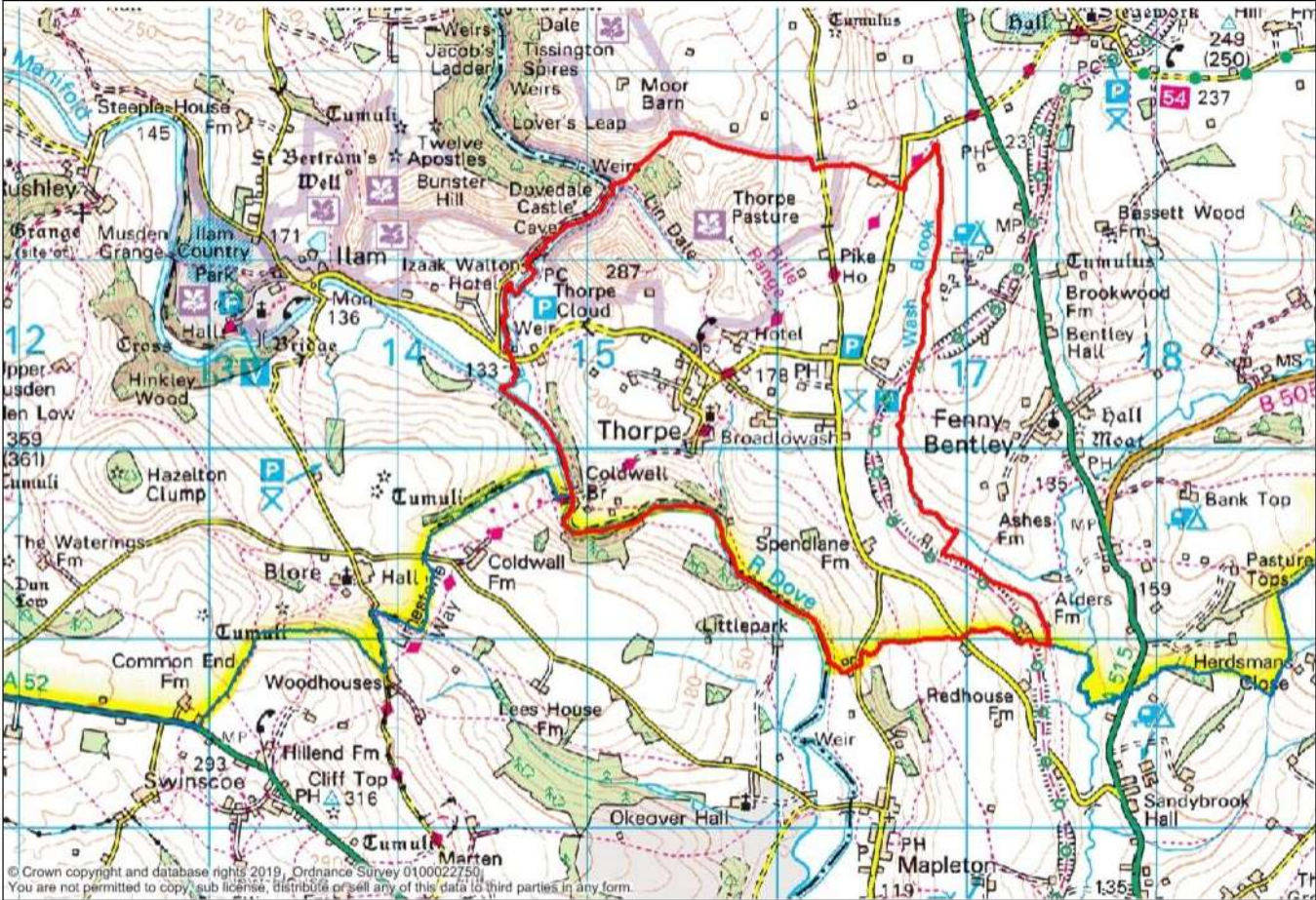
## Key

- A1 Shops
- A2 Financial and Professional Services
- A3 Restaurants and Cafes
- A4 Drinking Establishments
- A5 Hot Food Takeaways
- B1 Business
- B2 General Industrial
- B8 Storage or Distribution
- C1 Hotels
- C2 Residential Institutions
- C2A Secure Residential Institution
- C3 Dwellinghouses
- C4 Houses in Multiple Occupation
- D1 Non-Residential Institutions
- D2 Assembly and Leisure
- Camp Site
- Allotments
- Playground
- Playing Field
- Public Car Park
- Sui Generis
- Bus Stop
- Notice Board
- Post Box
- Telephone Box
- Cash Point
- Public Toilets
- Defibrillator

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# Thorpe Parish Boundary



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### **Data sources**

Peak District National Park Conservation Area Appraisals

Peak District National Park Landscape Strategy Action Plan (LSAP)

[www.nomisweb.co.uk](http://www.nomisweb.co.uk)

Ordnance survey maps

Derbyshire Accessibility Assessment 2016, Derbyshire County Council

<http://www.derbysbus.info/times/timetables/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/Service-Search/GP/LocationSearch/4>