

Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak and Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Taddington lies to the south of the A6 by-pass, 6 miles equidistant between Bakewell and Buxton. It is one of the highest villages within the National park at around 1,000 feet above sea level, with the weather to match.

There is evidence of human settlement here from bronze age burial mounds on the plateau, including Five Wells. There has been a church/chapel in the village since the 4th century. The present church dates back to the 14th century although there are earlier artefacts. It is Grade 1 listed and set within a 4 acre graveyard which requires extensive maintenance. The village was originally an agricultural village located on transport crossings. It retains some of its linear form and strip fields and is notable for its network of planned medieval watering lanes, leading to the High Well. Its Conservation Area was designated in 1997 but its boundaries were tightly drawn and does not encompass most of the wider surviving strip field system.

On the hill to the south of the village lies the High Well Recreation Ground, also 4 acres, donated to the parish as a war memorial. The area is a haven for wildlife and plants but its contours make it difficult to maintain. Beyond it, is High Mere, on common land with vestiges of the original limestone heath.

Taddington is located within the limestone hills and sloped character of the White Peak area and described within the Peak District Landscape Characteristic Assessment (LSAP2009).

Continued...



Within the Parish of Taddington are the settlements of Priestcliffe and Priestcliffe Ditch. These are small agricultural settlements built at various levels on the hillside to the north of the A6 road and Taddington. Close to Priestcliffe village are lynchets and the old well and its adjoining silted up pond. Priestcliffe's Conservation Area was also designated in 1997.

Priestcliffe is located within the limestone village farmlands character area of the White Peak areas as described within the LSAP.

Blackwell in the Peak is a small farming settlement located too the west of Priestcliffe. It contains the remains of the Romano-British settlement at Chee Tor and has a history that belies its size. There is a camping and caravan park to the west of the settlement and Taddington Brewery is located to the north.

Blackwell in the Peak is located within the limestone village farmlands character area of the White Peak areas as described within the LSAP.

Brushfield Parish is to the east of Taddington and comprises of a few farmsteads located north of the A6 and farmland stretching north and east to the River Wye and the Monsal Trail. It is located within the limestone village farmlands character area of the White Peak areas as described within the LSAP.

All these settlements are well located for some of the best walking in the limestone Peak District including Chee Dale, Millers Dale, Monsal Dale, and the two Deep Dales, as well as some of the limestone area's best and most precious views, e.g from Sough Top, the High Well or High Mere.

Continued...



Taddington carries, with its church, Institute, and other village infrastructure, a considerable burden of upkeep, set against a background of a relatively small but changing and aging population.

The annual Well Dressing and Flower Festival, for example, is the main vehicle for raising money to maintain the Grade 1 listed church. The school is heavily dependent on children from elsewhere, including Buxton. Both its pubs and the Institute struggle. The dual carriageway bypass along the A6 is a blessing, but it also means that the village is typically by-passed rather than visited. Its historic and environmental qualities are therefore undervalued but need both proper conservation and effective interpretation. It also needs a population and/or a population balance that will sustain the special qualities of the area for the foreseeable future.

There is growing understanding in the community of the difficulty of sustaining its four main institutions - church, institute, school and pub - with the present make-up of the population. Their survival is a local priority and, to be sustainable, needs to be generated from within the local population.

There is also an awareness that Taddington has, quite literally in one sense, been by-passed and that its importance and attributes are not fully recognised. There are opportunities for revealing and interpreting historic and environmental and ecological features for the benefit of villagers and visitors. Huge improvements to the built environment have been achieved over the past 10 years and there remains scope for more with the right policies and encouragement.

Visitor car parking adds to the already congested car parking problems on Main Street risking the future of bus services. There are no visitor car parks.

Broadband, vehicle parking, surface water flooding, and damage from motor vehicles on lanes need to be tackled. *Taddington Parish Council*

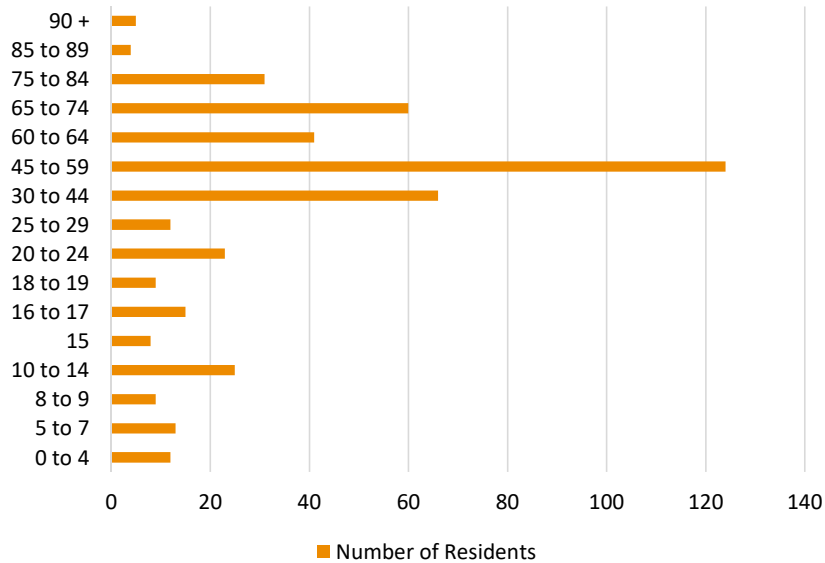


Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)

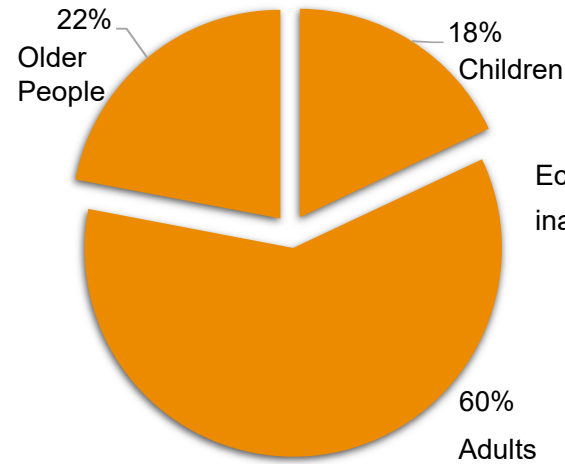


Population and Demographics

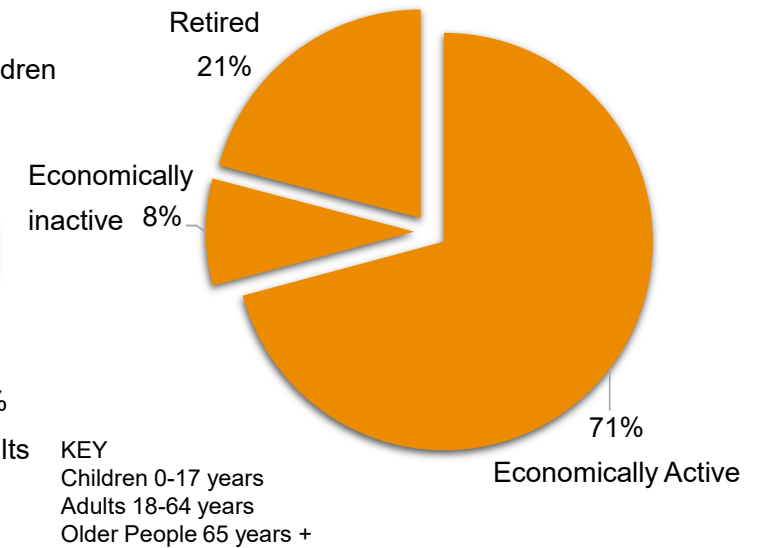
Population Age Range



Children, Adults and Older People



Working and Non Working Adult Population (18+ years)



Source: Census 2011

The parishes of Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak and Brushfield have a combined population of 457 residents (2011 census).

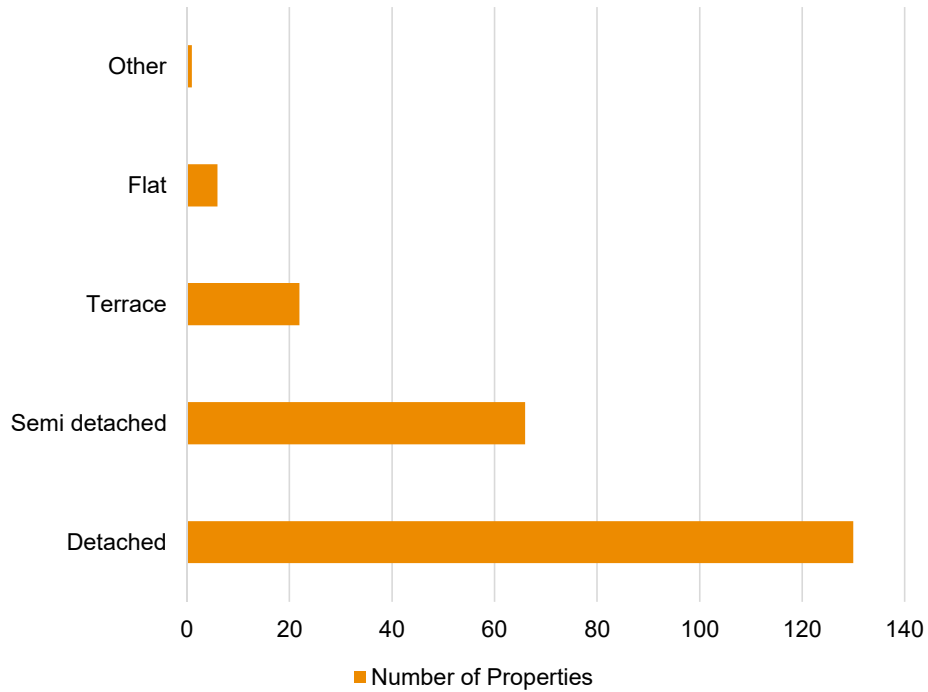


Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)

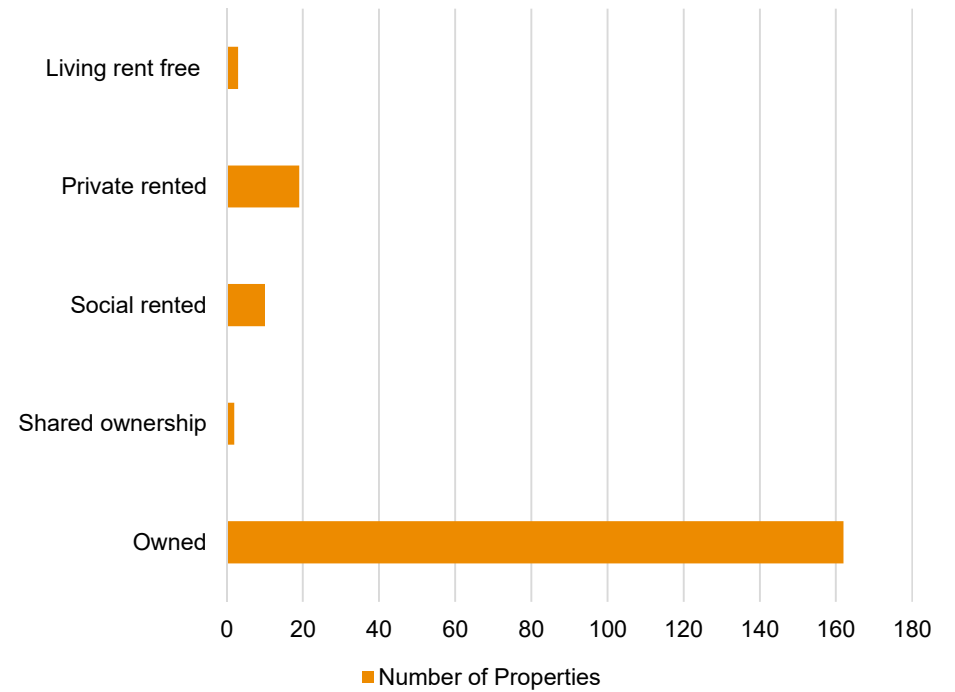


Housing

Housing Type



Housing Tenure



Source: Census 2011



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)

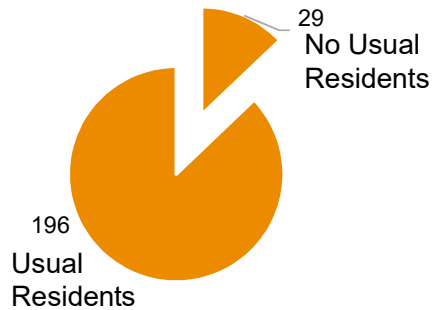


Residency

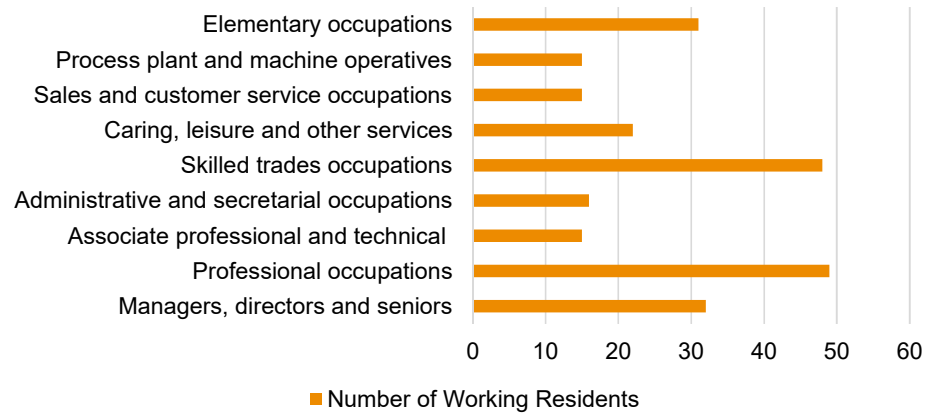
Employment

Car/ Van Ownership

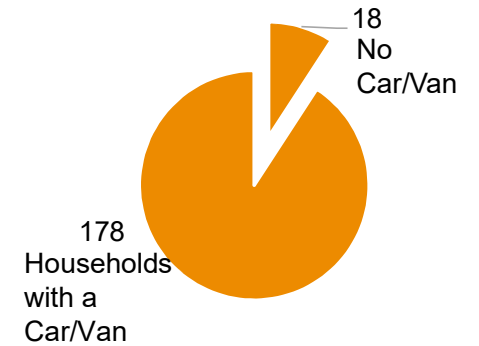
Occupancy of Properties



Occupations of Working Adults



Households with a Car/Van





Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Settlement Amenities (Taddington)

Accommodation	★
Events/Traditions	★
Groups	★
Website/Newslatter	★
Conservation Area	★
Mobile Library	—
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)	★
Industrial Units	★
Playing Field	★
Playground	★
Community Hall	★
Primary School	★
Post Office	—
Convenience Food Shop	—

Key



Is present

Is not present



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Public Transport

Number	Route	Bus Company	Days	Frequency
65/65A (Taddington and Blackwell in the Peak)	Buxton-Meadowhall	Stagecoach Chesterfield	Mon-Fri	One a day
Trans Peak (all parishes)	Derby—Buxton	High Peak	Mon-Sun	Mon-Fri between 09:03-17:14, approximately every hour. Sat between 09:14-17:14, approximately every hour. Sun & BH Mon between 10:14-17:14, approximately every hour.

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



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Access to Essential Services

(from Taddington)

	Service	Time in Minutes
Walking	General Practice	60+
	Pharmacy	60+
	Post Office	60+
	Primary School	0-10
	Secondary School	60+
	Shop	60+
Public Transport	General Practice	10-20
	Pharmacy	10-20
	Post Office	10-20
	Primary School	0-10-
	Secondary School	20-30
	Supermarket	10-20

Source: Derbyshire County Council

Community (Taddington Parish)

General	Art Group Book Club Gardening Club Ladies Club Retired Persons Club Taddington Singers St Michaels and All Angels Church Bramwell Institute
Events	Well Dressing Flower Festival Quiz Nights Regular tea/coffee mornings

Source: Parish Council



Planning

Over the last 5 years 27 planning applications have been approved in Taddington parish and 6 in Blackwell in the Peak parish. There have been no planning applications in Brushfield parish.

Digital Presence

<https://www.taddingtonparishcouncil.org.uk/>

<http://www.taddington.org.uk/>

<http://www.blackwellpc.org.uk/>

Affordable Housing

There are sites in both Taddington and Priestcliffe that are already developed and that would be capable, with advantage, of accepting some alternative development. Other sites may be suitable for development, depending upon the criteria, but may generate a considerable amount of opposition (Taddington Parish Council).



Taddington and its 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



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)

Taddington and its Services



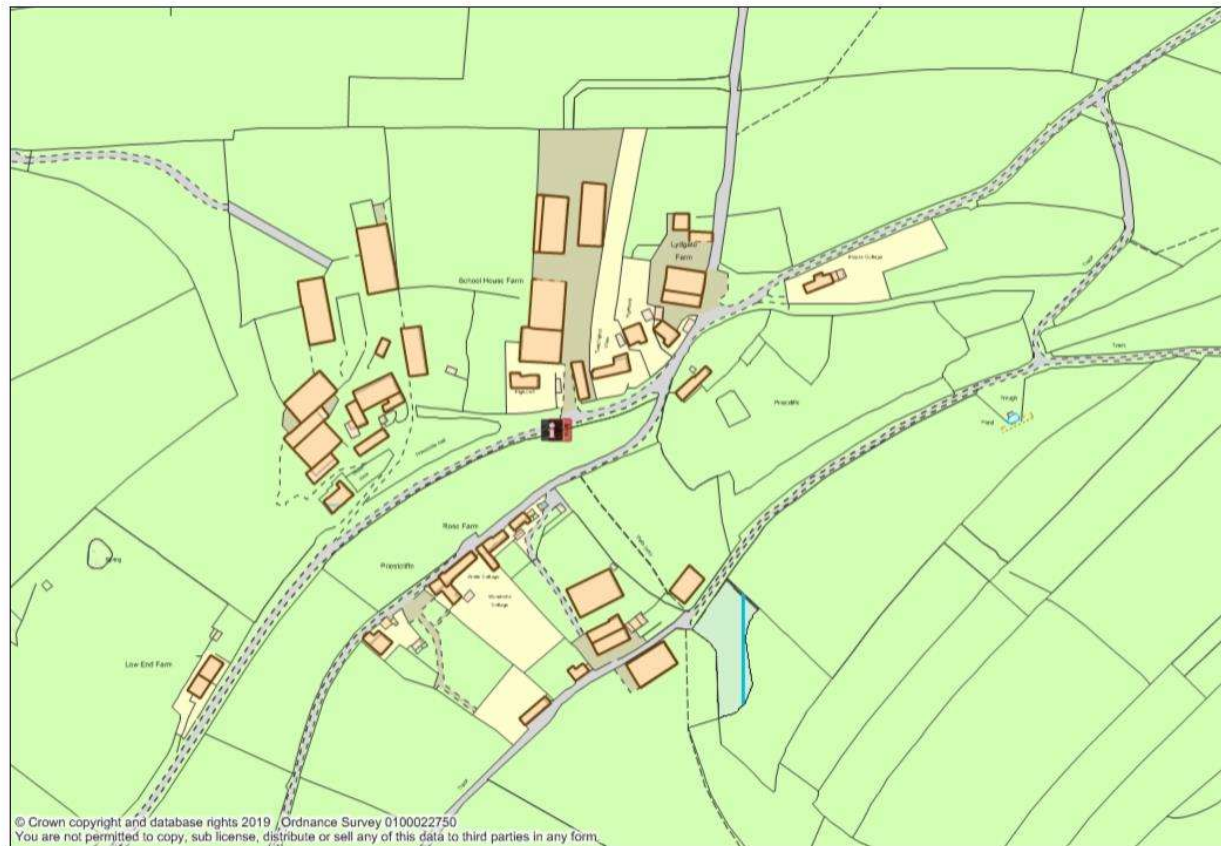
Key on previous page



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Priestcliffe and its Services



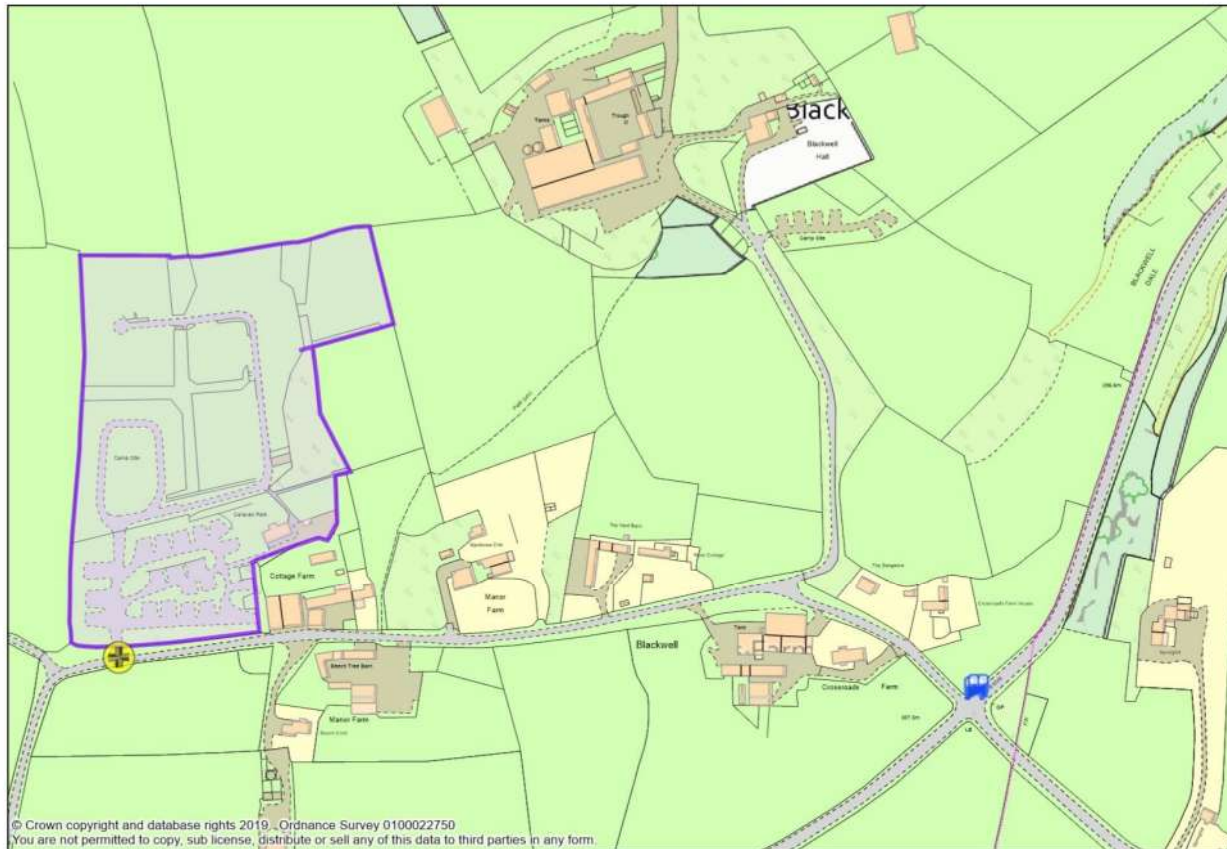
Key on previous page



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Blackwell in the Peak and its Services



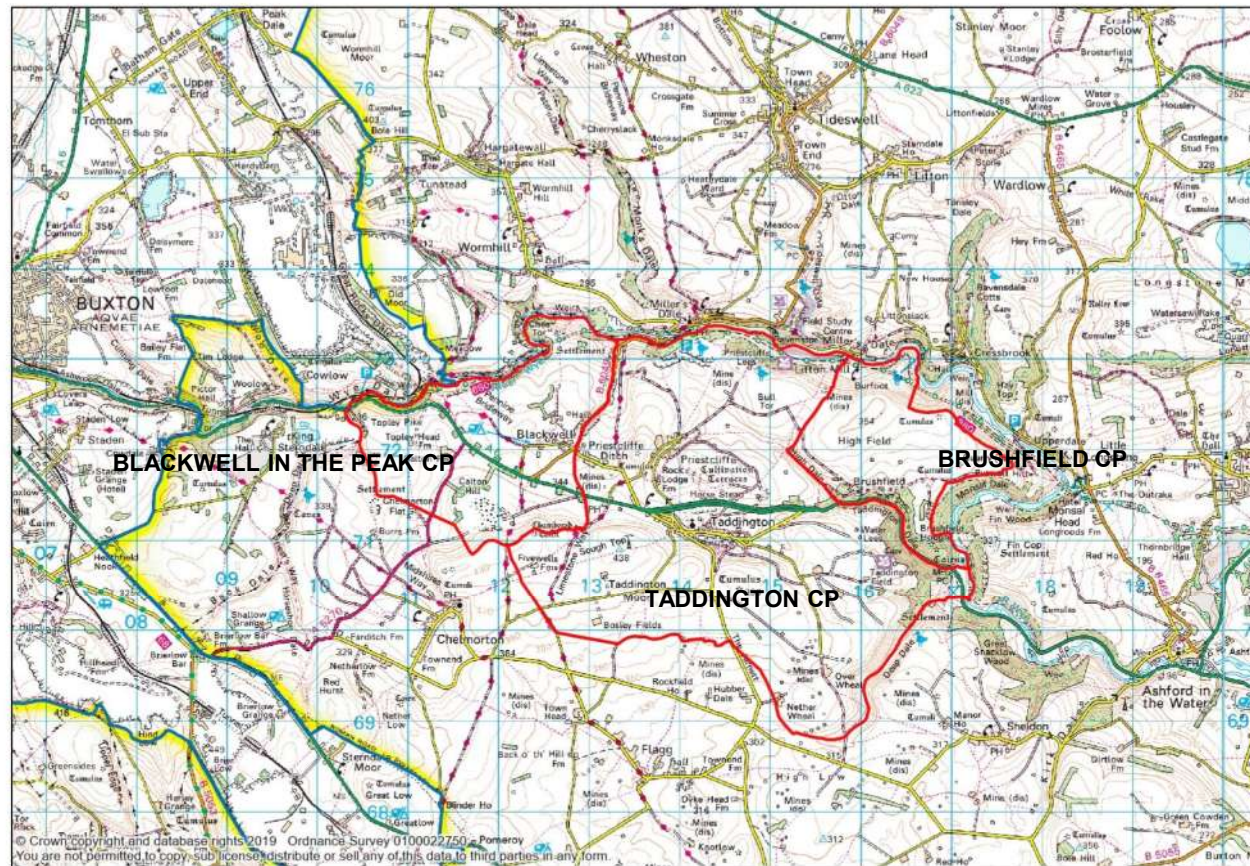
Key on previous page



Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Parish Boundaries





Taddington, Blackwell in the Peak, and
Brushfield Parish Statement (draft)



Data sources

Derbyshire Accessibility Assessment 2016, Derbyshire County Council

Peak District National Park Conservation Area Appraisals

Peak District National Park Landscape Strategy Action Plan (LSAP)

Ordnance survey maps

Taddington Parish Council

<http://www.blackwellpc.org.uk/>

<https://www.derbybus.info/times/timetables/>

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/services/mobile-libraries/mobile-libraries.aspx>

<http://www.highpeakbuses.com/transpeak-service>

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

<https://www.nomisweb.co.uk>

<http://www.taddington.org.uk/>

<https://www.taddingtonparishcouncil.org.uk/>