



## ANNEX C

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## C1 INTRODUCTION

Between February and April the work group teams collected the snapshot data recommended under the Countryside Agency Healthcheck guidance.

A snapshot is intended as a mechanism for collating background information about the area at the beginning of the project, to provide a starting point for undertaking the worksheet research. The snapshot also provides a flavour of how Leatherhead is now.

The data collected are as follows:

## C2 ECONOMY

The Leatherhead area as a whole provides employment for 21,000 people in over 2,600 businesses. The town itself provides 10,100 jobs in 933 businesses, with a high concentration (over 8,000 jobs) in Leatherhead North. Unemployment is low at 0.6% and is one of the lowest in Surrey if not in the UK. Jobs are mainly office based. Typically the vast majority of firms in the area employ less than 10 people. There are 10 employers with a staffing complement in excess of 200.

A feature of the area is that over 10,000 people commute out every day and about the same number commute in.

Retail provision is dispersed with Ashted, Bookham, Fetcham, and the Kingston Road area all having their own smaller retail centres. However Leatherhead town centre is the largest. Retail units across the area are small with only three: J. Sainsbury in Leatherhead town centre, Tesco and B&Q on the edge of town along Kingston Road having floor areas in excess of 1,000 sq. metres.

ECONOMY		Answer / summary of data	
Population of Leatherhead Town	9,600	Population of the hinterland	37,400
Businesses in Leatherhead*	933	Businesses in the hinterland*	1,670
Jobs in Leatherhead*	10,100	Jobs in the hinterland*	11,000
Retail profile in town centre	No. of retail outlets: 139 Selling products: 34% Selling services: 27% Catering: 20% Financial & Professional Services: 14% Vacant: 5%  7 out of UK's top 20 retailers present in the town. 25 new outlets opened in past two years. There are 8 charity outlets in the town accounting for 17% of product retailers.		
Employment Profile	Mainly office based and skill based. Fewer jobs for skilled and unskilled manual labour.		
Office Accommodation	Accommodation available for up to 1,200 jobs  Limited accommodation for micro businesses and start up businesses.		

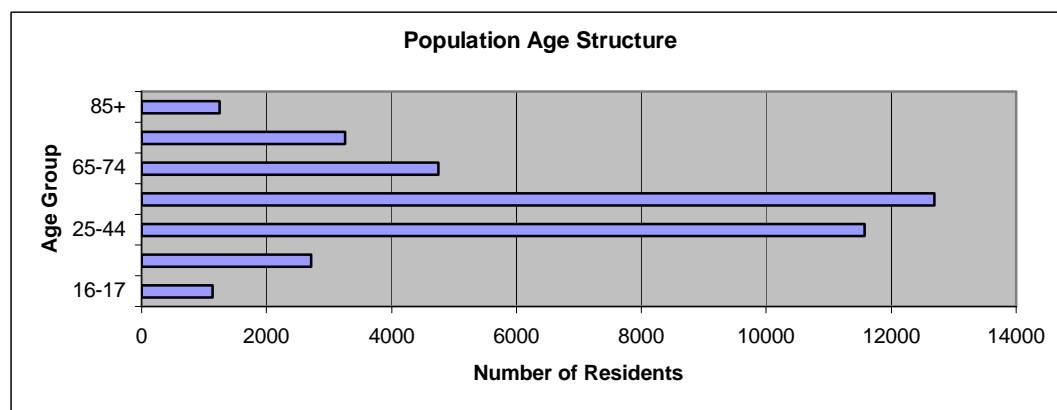
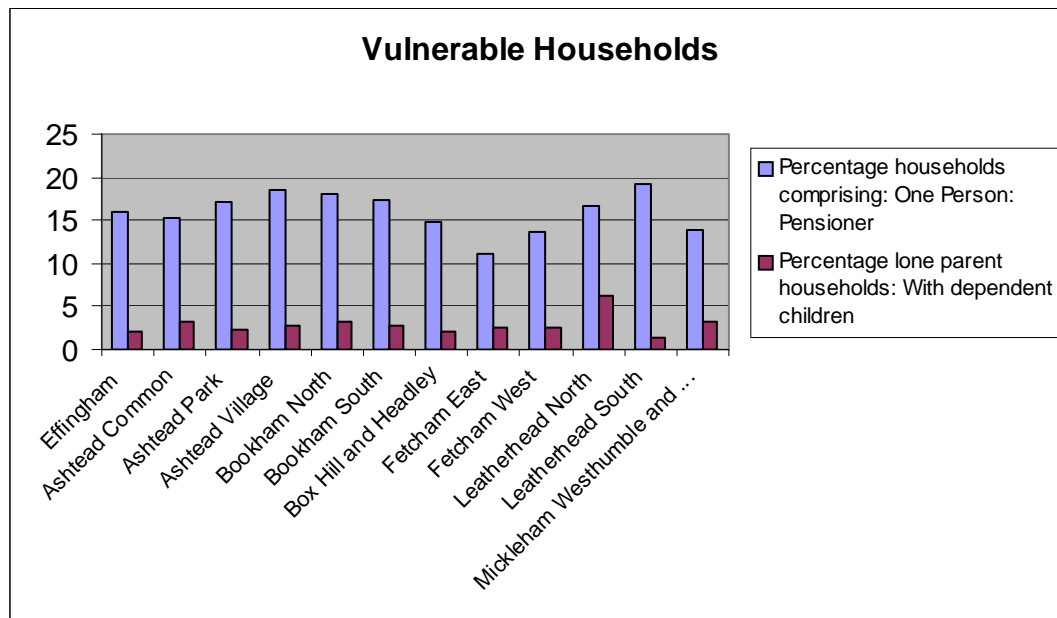
\* See Annex G for a detailed breakdown of jobs and number of firms by MVDC Ward.



**C3 SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY**

**C3.1 Ranking in Indices of Deprivation**

Two areas in Leatherhead have Multiple Deprivation Indices of 10+, one in north and the other south.





## 2001 Census Figures – By Ward and Mole Valley

	Ashted Common	Ashted Park	Ashted Village	Bookham North	Bookham South	Box Hill and Headley	Fetcham East	Fetcham West	Leatherhead North	Leatherhead South	Mickleham Westhumble Pixham
Number of Residents (80,287)	4040	3713	5658	5616	5391	2122	3676	4069	5848	3837	1932
Change in Population since 1991 (1.4%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
% Population over 65 (19)	16.4	24.1	22.6	23.1	23.1	23.7	17.7	17.4	13.8	22	18.3
% Population under 16 (19)	21.2	17.8	19.3	18.1	17.6	11.4	20.6	21.8	19.8	16.6	17.5
Number of New Homes Built by Tenure											
% of Single Person Households (28.9)	24.7	25.8	27.3	28.1	27	33.3	19.5	22.1	35.8	36.3	30.2
% Households with Elderly People Living Alone (16)	15.4	17.2	18.5	18	17.3	14.8	11.1	13.7	16.7	19.3	13.9
% of Stock without whole House Heating (4.2)	2.4	1.9	2.1	2.5	2.6	4.7	3.1	1.8	6.7	2.7	6.3
Number of Households on the Local Authority housing waiting list. Note that there is an element of double counting and figures do not indicate need.	504			467			389		504	536	Village Areas: 63
Average House Price	Detached: £471,432; Semi-detached: £275,490; Terraced: £223,880; Flat/Maisonette: £182,885; Overall: £337,014										
Change In Average House Price											
Recorded Crime Rates Violence against Person (per 1000 Population) 2002-2004	40 (9.9)	27 (7.1)	41 (7.2)	56 (10)	60 (11)	22 (10)	25 (6.8)	18 (4.4)	224 (38)	64 (17)	15 (8)
Criminal Damage	61 (15)	62 (16)	110 (19)	152 (27)	105 (19)	13 (6)	26 (7)	48 (11)	317 (54)	88 (22)	25 (13)
Vehicle Crime	30 (7)	44 (12)	57 (10)	88 (16)	77 (14)	59 (28)	37 (10)	29 (7)	184 (31)	104 (27)	71 (37)



	Answer / summary of data
Number of Police Stations when Open	One Not 24 hr
Number of Magistrates Courts	None (nearest in Dorking)
Number of Crown/Other Courts	None
Presence of Registry Office	In the Mansion, Church Street, Leatherhead
Presence of Town Hall	No, but satellite office is the Help Shop in High Street, Leatherhead
Presence of Citizens Advice Bureau	Yes, Leatherhead town centre (Swan Court)
Fire Stations (full time or voluntary)	Cobham Road Fetcham – whole time facility
Ambulance Service	Kingston Road, Leatherhead
Number of Swimming Pools	Leatherhead Leisure Centre: one 25m pool with 6 lanes, plus learning pool and diving tank. Opening times vary but usually 0700. to 22.00
Number of Sports Halls	Leatherhead Leisure Centre: facilities for squash, dry sports hall for multi-purpose activities, soft play area, fitness suite, indoor bowling 4 rinks. Therfield School: astroturf with floodlights.
Number of Outdoor Sports Pitches	Ashtead: 3; Bookham: 3; Fetcham: 1; Leatherhead: 2
Number of Post Offices	Main Post Office Leatherhead High Street, with 2 Sub Post Offices on Kingston Road and sub offices in Ashtead, Bookham and Fetcham(?)
Number of health and Fitness Centres	4 – Cannon, Natural Beauty (North Street) and The Vital Body Clinic (The Crescent), Fitness Suite in Leisure Centre.
Banks and Building Societies	9 in Leatherhead. Also in villages
Number of cash points	At least 5 in Leatherhead. 3 in Ashtead
Number of Accountants	4 in Leatherhead
Number of Solicitors	5 in Leatherhead
Number of Doctor's Practices	2 in Leatherhead.
Dentists	2 in Leatherhead. 2 in Ashtead. 2 in Bookham
Hospitals	One no A & E
Opticians	3 in Leatherhead. 1 in Ashtead
Public Houses	8 in Leatherhead. 3 in Ashtead, 1 in Fetcham, 4 in Bookham
Hotels	2 in Leatherhead 1 of which is just outside town boundary.
Number of Hotel/B&B Bed-Spaces	Mickleham: 2; Bookham: 35; Leatherhead: 182; Effingham: 2; Little Bookham: 54; Total:274
Number and type of restaurants/cafes and takeaways	Leatherhead: 10 restaurants, 6 cafes, 12 takeaways. Several more in villages
Cinema	In The Theatre



	Answer / summary of data
Public Halls/Community Centres	Leatherhead: Park House/The Leatherhead Institute/ Fairfield Day Care Centre/Tylney Room in Leisure Centre. Bookham: The Old Barn Hall; Fetcham: The Reading Room and Village Hall; Ashtead: Peace Memorial hall; Mickleham: Village Hall; Box Hill: Village Hall; Headley: Village Hall; Effingham ? Several church and other halls available for hire in all communities
Museum	Church Street, Leatherhead
Library	Leatherhead, Bookham, Ashtead, Effingham?
Art Gallery	Fire and Iron Gallery; The Studio Art House; The Black Dog Gallery
Churches according to Denominations	C of E in Leatherhead, Ashtead, Bookham, Fetcham, Mickleham, Headley Roman Catholic in Leatherhead, Ashtead, Fetcham and Bookham Methodist in Leatherhead Baptist in Leatherhead, Ashtead and Bookham United Reform Church in Leatherhead Pioneer People in Leatherhead
Voluntary Organisations	Leatherhead; Lower Mole Project, Leatherhead Trust, Community Association, Leatherhead Society, Leatherhead Ahead Ashtead; Bookham; Fetcham: Residents' Associations Large number of other voluntary organisations in each community from caring for the elderly to sport for children

**C4 TRANSPORT**

Although Leatherhead, Ashtead and Bookham are each served by a train station, each of the stations is on the edge of its catchment area thus involving extra local journey time by car, cycle, bus or on foot for many. Fetcham has no station and therefore it has to rely on the local bus service for public transport. The limited bus service has no central terminus in the town, and only two of the routes run a regular weekday half-hour service. There is no fast coach service serving the town or the villages. Cycle paths are also extremely limited because the roads in the area are, with just one exception, single carriageways.

The result of this is that the car is the predominant form of local transport for people wishing to make journeys to work and to local schools, shops and leisure activities. Car ownership within households in Leatherhead, Ashtead, Bookham, Fetcham and Headley runs at a high 87.7%.

Detailed data follow:

TRANSPORT AND ACCESSIBILITY	Answer / summary of data
Number of bus stations	0
Number of train stations	3 = Leatherhead, Bookham and Ashtead
Number of coach parks	0
Percentage of households without a car	According to the 2001 Census an average of 12.3% households are without a car.  Leatherhead North – 567 = 21.8% Leatherhead South – 281 = 16.6% Ashtead Common Ward – 181 = 11.3% Ashtead Park Ward – 171 = 11% Ashtead Village Ward – 274 = 12% Bookham North – 308 = 13.1% Bookham South – 266 = 11.8%



TRANSPORT AND ACCESSIBILITY	Answer / summary of data
	Box Hill and Headley – 91 = 9% Fetcham East - 119 = 8.4% Fetcham West – 117 = 7.4%
Number of short-stay car parking spaces in the town	634
Number of long-stay car parking spaces in the town	171+ 41 for Season ticket holders
Number of cycle paths	2 within Leatherhead
Journey times by car and public transport to nearest large town or city	Leatherhead to Guildford = approximately 25 minutes by car, 26 minutes by train and 43 minutes by bus.
Bus route services from villages to train stations	The 479 bus links the villages of Ashtead, and Bookham to their respective stations and the 516 links Headley to Leatherhead Station. Fetcham is linked to Leatherhead Station by the 479 on the outward journey only.
Bus routes/services serving the town and surrounding countryside	Five bus routes serve the town with varying degrees of regularity and period of service. Only two (465 and 479) run regular weekday half hour services. Only the 465 runs a regular service in the evening.
Number of disabled car parking spaces in the town	32

**C5 ENVIRONMENT**

ENVIRONMENT	Answer / summary of data
AONB	The Surrey Hills AONB, south of the town. includes the chalk hills and largely beech woods of the North Downs and the Mole Gap.
AGLV	The AGLV extends right up to Givons Grove and the Reigate Road, on the southern edge of the built up area.
Conservation Areas	5. Area around Parish Church, Church Road area, High St, Bridge St and part of Church St., area around Gravel Hill and Fairfield area.
SAC	Candidate: North Downs, south of Bookham, Leatherhead and Ashtead.
NNRs	Ashtead Common
LNRs	River Mole Corridor through the town, Nower Wood
SSSIs	3. Ashtead Common, Bookham Common, Mole Gap
SNCIs	8. Teazlewood, Leatherhead Common(woods SW of Pachesham Park) ,Bocketts Lane, River Mole, Woodfield, Cherkley Wood, Ashtead Park, Nower Wood,

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ENVIRONMENT	Answer / summary of data
Listed Buildings	In Leatherhead itself: 80. Boxhill 2, Fetcham 17, Great Bookham 42, Little Bookham 21, Headley 24, Mickleham 35, Westhumble 10.
Footpaths	157 separately designated footpaths, bridleways and BOATs
National Trails	North Downs Way, Thames Down Link.
Cyclepaths	7. Dorking to Hawks Hill, Cobham Road to Waterway Road, Railway Station to Therfield, Therfield to Barnett Wood Lane, Woodbridge Corner to Maldon Rushett, Linden Pit Path to Ottways Lane, Green Lane to Shepherds Walk,