



## SSJ Neighbourhood Plan Population Trends

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### 1. Introduction.

Recent population trends in the Parish of Sherborne St John are relatively difficult to follow due to the building works and parish boundary changes that have occurred over the last ten years. In particular, Marnel Park and Merton Rise developments have been constructed (in part at least) between the 2001 and 2011 National Census.

### 2. Trends from the 2001 to 2011 National Census.

The 2013 Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) Rural Evidence Project Review of Sherborne St John was found to be of limited use since it still contained both Marnel Park and Merton Rise developments – which are now no longer part of the Parish of Sherborne St John.

Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC) however has looked at trends in the Borough Ward of Sherborne St John. This covers some 2305 persons (versus the Sherborne St John population of circa 1200) in Sherborne St John, Monk Sherborne, Ramsdell, Wootton St Lawrence and Charter Alley.

The BDBC analysis shows:

- Population aged 2001 to 2011
- Median age in 2011 was 47 (versus 39 for Basingstoke and 40 for SE England as a whole)
- Decline in the %age of persons working, and a corresponding increase in retirees.
- Increase in the %age of persons working from home
- Increase in the %age of persons providing unpaid home care
- Small increase (0.8%) in the number of homes
- Average household size decreased from 2.41 to 2.35 (persons)
- Job Seekers Allowance claimants was 6 (August 2005), peaked at 20 (August 2009) and dropped to 8 (August 2013).

BDBC forecast:

- 60 fewer residents 2012-2019 (Note – for the **Ward** of Sherborne St John)
- 1 new dwelling
- 45 more persons 65 years old or older
- Overall population will decline by 2.6%
- The %age of older people (65+) will increase by 11%

Whilst this information is not only for the Parish of Sherborne St John, it provides very useful guidance and ties in with Hampshire County Council predictions.

### 3. Predictions 2013 to 2020

The source for this information is Hampshire County Environment Department's 2013 based Small Area Population Forecasts (<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/population-statistics/pop-estimates/small-area-pop-stats.htm>).

HCC has considered the Parish of Sherborne St John alone (ie as currently designated, excluding the completed Marnel Park development which is no longer part of the Parish) – identifying a population in 2013 of 1186 persons, living in 521 dwellings.

The data from this source has been used in Appendix 2 (attached) – to generate the graphs that follow:

- Figs 1A and 1B (the same data shown firstly as a line plot and secondly as a bar chart) show that for 2013 to 2015 there is only a relatively small change in population distribution during this period.
- In 2016, predictions suggest a significant increase in the percentage of younger age groups, and a corresponding decrease in the percentage middle and older age groups. This is further accentuated by 2020.
- The reason for this change can be seen in Fig 2 which shows the total number of population and houses to 2020. This remains constant to 2014, starts to increase in 2015 and then increases significantly up to 2020. This is the influence of the North of Marnel Park (Marnel Park Phase II) development of 450 houses. The difference in the number of homes between 2014 and 2020 is 444.
- Of limited value, the prediction shows an increase in average house occupancy from 2.22 in 2014 to 2.39 in 2020.

### 3. Conclusions

Very limited population growth, if at all, is forecast for Sherborne St John.

### 4. Figures

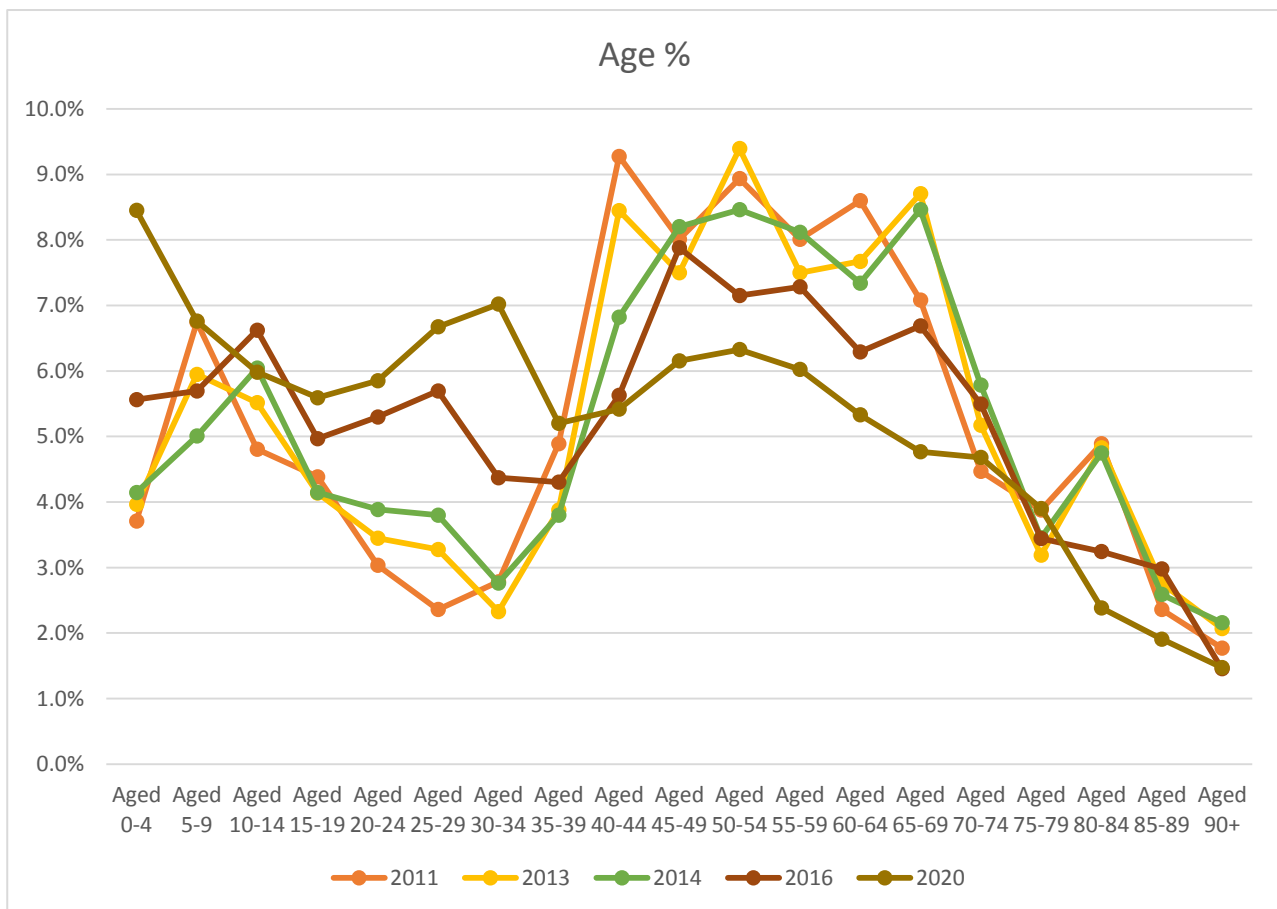


Fig 1A. Prediction of the %age of population at each age group for the years 2011 to 2020 for Sherborne St John - to show the change with time.

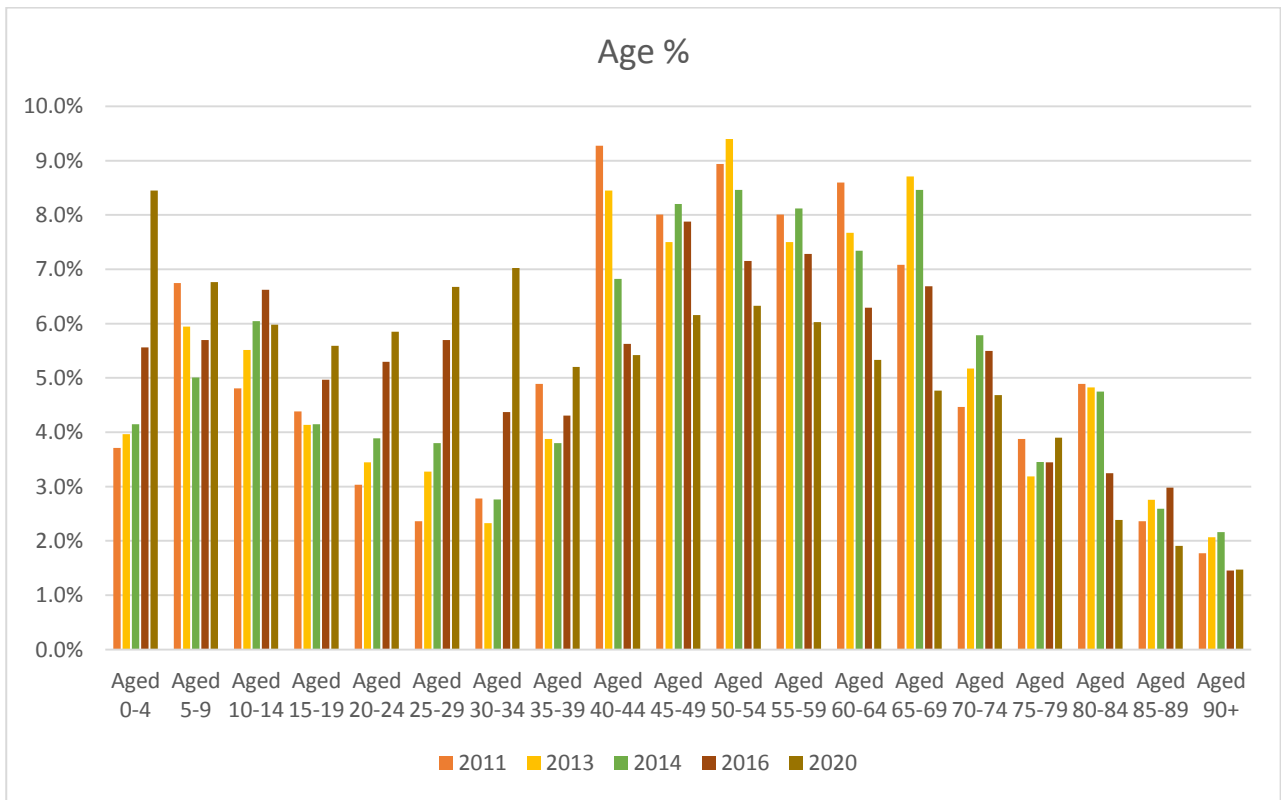


Fig 1B. As Fig 1A (Prediction of the %age of population at each age group for the years 2011 to 2020 for Sherborne St John - to show the change with time).

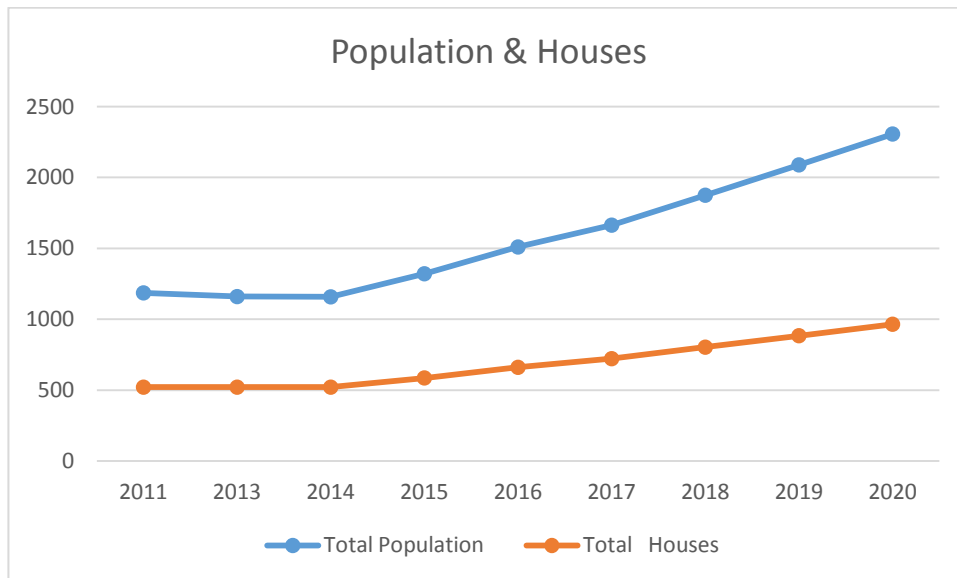


Fig 2. Prediction of Total Population and Number of Houses for the years 2011 to 2020 for Sherborne St John - showing the change with time.

## 5. References

- BDBC Ward Profile Sherborne St John (Ward)  
<http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/Resources/6/6/%7B669C604E-A28E-44CE-B422-531FB2BEF28D%7D/Documents/Sherborne%20St%20John%20Ward%20Profile.pdf>
- HCC Environment Department's 2013 based Small Area Population Forecasts  
<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/factsandfigures/population-statistics/pop-estimates/small-area-pop-stats.htm>

## Appendix 1

### HCC SAPF Summary

- Hampshire County Council produces The Small Area Population Forecasts (SAPF). See internet link above.
- The data provides estimates of the population and the number of dwellings for a variety of geographies, including districts, parishes and wards for all of Hampshire (as well as the Unitary Authorities of Portsmouth and Southampton).
- The population figures are broken down by age and gender and are forecast from 2013-2020.
- There is a technical note explaining the [methodology for the forecasts](#).
- To ensure SAPF meets your data needs, please take a look at the [How to use Forecasts, Estimates and Projections page](#).
- Users should be aware that in the current economic climate forecasting future dwelling supply has been particularly difficult. The figures are the best projections available as at April 1st 2013 on a site by site basis taking account of the current market conditions.
- The methodology of the Small Area Population Forecasts (SAPF) is different to that used for the Long Term Projections; as such, the two sets of figures are not directly comparable.

## Appendix 2

### Population Forecasts for Sherborne St John Parish (Source data for Figure 1A &1B above)

Source: Hampshire County Environment Department's 2013 based Small Area Population Forecasts

	Aged 0-4	Aged 5-9	Aged 10-14	Aged 15-19	Aged 20-24	Aged 25-29	Aged 30-34	Aged 35-39	Aged 40-44	Aged 45-49	Aged 50-54	Aged 55-59	Aged 60-64	Aged 65-69	Aged 70-74	Aged 75-79	Aged 80-84	Aged 85-89	Aged 90+	Total
<b>Census 2011</b>	44 3.7%	80 6.7%	57 4.8%	52 4.4%	36 3.0%	28 2.4%	33 2.8%	58 4.9%	110 9.3%	95 8.0%	106 8.9%	95 8.0%	102 8.6%	84 7.1%	53 4.5%	46 3.9%	58 4.9%	28 2.4%	21 1.8%	<b>1,186</b>
<b>HCC 2013</b>	46 4.0%	69 5.9%	64 5.5%	48 4.1%	40 3.4%	38 3.3%	27 2.3%	45 3.9%	98 8.4%	87 7.5%	109 9.4%	87 7.5%	89 7.7%	101 8.7%	60 5.2%	37 3.2%	56 4.8%	32 2.8%	24 2.1%	<b>1,160</b>
<b>Forecast 2014 (HCC 2013)</b>	48 4.1%	58 5.0%	70 6.0%	48 4.1%	45 3.9%	44 3.8%	32 2.8%	44 3.8%	79 6.8%	95 8.2%	98 8.5%	94 8.1%	85 7.3%	98 8.5%	67 5.8%	40 3.5%	55 4.7%	30 2.6%	25 2.2%	<b>1,158</b>
<b>Forecast 2016 (HCC 2013)</b>	84 5.6%	86 5.7%	100 6.6%	75 5.0%	80 5.3%	86 5.7%	66 4.4%	65 4.3%	85 5.6%	119 7.9%	108 7.2%	110 7.3%	95 6.3%	101 6.7%	83 5.5%	52 3.4%	49 3.2%	45 3.0%	22 1.5%	<b>1,510</b>
<b>Forecast 2020 (HCC 2013)</b>	195 8.5%	156 6.8%	138 6.0%	129 5.6%	135 5.9%	154 6.7%	162 7.0%	120 5.2%	125 5.4%	142 6.2%	146 6.3%	139 6.0%	123 5.3%	110 4.8%	108 4.7%	90 3.9%	55 2.4%	44 1.9%	34 1.5%	<b>2,307</b>

**Population Forecasts for Sherborne St John Parish (Source data for Figure 1A & 1B above)**

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<b>2011</b>	3.7%	6.7%	4.8%	4.4%	3.0%	2.4%	2.8%	4.9%	9.3%	8.0%	8.9%	8.0%	8.6%	7.1%	4.5%	3.9%	4.9%	2.4%	1.8%
<b>2013</b>	4.0%	5.9%	5.5%	4.1%	3.4%	3.3%	2.3%	3.9%	8.4%	7.5%	9.4%	7.5%	7.7%	8.7%	5.2%	3.2%	4.8%	2.8%	2.1%
<b>2014</b>	4.1%	5.0%	6.0%	4.1%	3.9%	3.8%	2.8%	3.8%	6.8%	8.2%	8.5%	8.1%	7.3%	8.5%	5.8%	3.5%	4.7%	2.6%	2.2%
<b>2016</b>	5.6%	5.7%	6.6%	5.0%	5.3%	5.7%	4.4%	4.3%	5.6%	7.9%	7.2%	7.3%	6.3%	6.7%	5.5%	3.4%	3.2%	3.0%	1.5%
<b>2020</b>	8.5%	6.8%	6.0%	5.6%	5.9%	6.7%	7.0%	5.2%	5.4%	6.2%	6.3%	6.0%	5.3%	4.8%	4.7%	3.9%	2.4%	1.9%	1.5%

**Population and Housing Forecasts for Sherborne St John Parish (Source data for Figure 2 above)**

	Total Population	Total Houses
<b>2011</b>	1186	521
<b>2013</b>	1160	521
<b>2014</b>	1158	521
<b>2015</b>	1321	586
<b>2016</b>	1510	661
<b>2017</b>	1664	722
<b>2018</b>	1875	803
<b>2019</b>	2089	884
<b>2020</b>	2307	965