

Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)

Most recent deprivation statistics¹ are based on areas which are smaller than wards – known as Super Output Areas (SOA). Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas ward contains 3 SOA's.

There are 32,482 SOAs in England. The SOA with a rank of 1 is the most deprived and 32,482 is the least deprived.

The 3 areas within Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas ward are ranked at **13,001** (Deeping St Nicholas), **18,047** (Crowland non town centre) and **21,947** (Crowland town centre area). None of these rankings fall on the most deprived end of the scale nationally. However, specifically within South Holland, Deeping St Nicholas is the 9th most deprived area. At the other extreme Crowland town centre area is one of the least deprived areas within South Holland (10th least deprived).

Economic Activity

The 2001 Census showed that **67.5%** of residents in Crowland aged 16-74 were employed and 1.8% were unemployed. In Deeping St Nicholas **66.2%** of residents aged 16-74 were employed and 2.1% were unemployed.

More recent unemployment estimates show that in June 2007 unemployment in Crowland was **1.5%** and unemployment in Deeping St Nicholas was **1.9%** (compared to 1.1% and 2.4% respectively in June 2005). The unemployment rate for South Holland was 2.0% in June 2007. Source: Taylor Nelson Associates 2007.

Education

Source: Department for Education and Skills

The schools in Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas ward are shown below along with attainment levels.

Pupils achieving Key Stage 2, level 4 and above – 2007	English	Maths	Science
South View Community Primary	80%	95%	95%
Deeping St Nicholas Primary	No figures – 10 or fewer pupils taking tests		

Pupils achieving 5+ A*-C grades at GCSE - 2007	Crowland	Lincolnshire	England
St Guthlac	37%	66%	62%

St Guthlac Secondary School also run a number of adult education courses. Information on these courses is available from St Guthlac Secondary School, Tel: 01773 210413.

When looking at GCSE achievement of those who live in the ward, 55% of pupils living in Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas achieved 5+ GCSE's at grade A-C (some pupils in this ward do not attend St Guthlacs). Across South Holland 58.3% of pupils achieved 5+ GCSE's at grade A-C. (Source: Lincolnshire Education Authority).

¹ The IMD 2007 combines various elements (income; employment; health and disability; education, skills and training; barriers to housing and services; living environment; crime) to give an overall score of deprivation for each Super Output Area (SOA) in England.

Within this ward, 8.7% of Key Stage 4 (GCSE) pupils living in Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas are eligible for a free school meal (compared to 4% within South Holland).
(Source: Lincolnshire Education Authority).

Parks and Open Spaces

	Total amount in Hectares	% of the NPFA recommendation	Total youth/ adult space in Hectares	% of the NPFA recommendation	Total children's space in Hectares	% of the NPFA recommendation
Crowland	14.12	164	13.01	205-230	1.06	37-49
Deeping St Nicholas	0.963	39	0.34	18-21	0.63	77-103

Source: South Holland Local Plan Background Paper - Study of Open Spaces 2006.

Crowland has a high provision of open space for play (164%) under the National Playing Fields Association Six Acre Standard 2001 definition. However this high provision is due to the excellent provision of youth and adult open space, child play space has a much smaller provision.

Deeping St Nicholas is not very well provided for, with only 39% of the recommended provision. This is compounded by the fact that the provision is all located close to the level crossing, which although fairly central, the layout of the village means that this is not easily accessible for a significant proportion of residents.

Housing

Tenure	Crowland	Deeping St Nicholas	South Holland	England & Wales
Owner occupied – owns outright	32.4%	20.2%	38.2%	29.5%
Owner occupied – owns with a mortgage / loan	42.3%	35.3%	38.1%	38.8%
Owner occupied – shared ownership	0.5%	0.8%	0.9%	0.6%
Social rented	14.9%	28.8%	14.1%	19.2%
Private rented	10.0%	14.9%	8.6%	11.9%

Source: Census 2001

Health

The life expectancy of males living in Crowland is **77.1** years of age, female life expectancy in Crowland is **82.6** years of age. There are no published life expectancy figures for Deeping St Nicholas. Source: 2001-2005 Life expectancy at Birth Estimates EMPHO.

	Crowland	Deeping St Nicholas	South Holland	England
People who have a limiting long term illness	16.4%	17.8%	19.6%	18.2%
People who have 'not good health'	7.0%	8.9%	9.3%	9.2%

Source: Census 2001

Standardised Mortality Rates (SMR) are a measure used to quantify death rates. All cause, under 75 years mortality for Crowland is **327.90**, ranking 11 highest in South Holland. All cause, under 75 years mortality for Deeping St Nicholas is **213.38**, this is the lowest mortality rate in South Holland. Source: Standardised Mortality Rates 2000-2004 ONS. Based on pre 2007 ward boundaries.

Health services

The NHS GP practice in Crowland is Dr Vab Roberts - Abbeyview Surgery, Crowland Health Centre, Thorney Road Crowland, Peterborough, PE6 0AL Tel: 01733 210254.

The Dental practice is J Hartley - 6 North Street, Crowland, Peterborough, PE6 0EF Tel: 01733 210224.

The Dispensing Chemist is Lloyds Pharmacy – 9 North Street, Crowland, Peterborough, PE6 0EG.

Local Community Support Networks

- Crowland Parish Council
- Deeping St Nicholas Parish Council
- Crowland Cares
- Spalding South Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team (covers Crowland ward)
- Deeping St Nicholas Group Against Wind Turbines.

Local activities and projects – managed / supported by SHDC / Rural Action Zone

Some of the activities which have taken place / will take place in Crowland and Deeping St Nicholas during 2008 are:

- Crowland Walking your way to Health
- Easter Sports Tour events: Soccer School – April
- The Economic Development Team are looking at the availability of employment land in Crowland (existing land) and are also meeting with Crowland Parish Council to discuss town centre issues.
- As part of the District wide CCTV project, Crowland have two CCTV cameras installed. The cameras will be monitored and so should have a positive affect on anti social behaviour and perceptions of safety.
- A Detached Youth Worker has been working in Crowland for a number of years. In 2007 a Youth Forum was developed from contacts initiated with young people on the streets. The Forum is currently working on securing a new Youth shelter.
- Crowland will be producing in a Parish Plan (12 month process).
- The Community Development Team are working with the Parochial Church Council on a funding application to renovate and upgrade the Deeping St Nicholas church to make it more of a community facility. We are also supporting Deeping St Nicholas Parish Council on a grant application to develop play areas.
- SHDC Planning and Development have made the Parish Council an offer to evaluate and catalogue Crowland's historical buildings.
- The Scary Guy is going to St Guthlacs Secondary School in September. He runs an interactive programme focusing on anti-bullying, anti-violence and emotional intelligence (arranged by the South Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership).
- The South Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership has also arranged for the Rightside Trust to work with St Guthlacs Secondary School to tackle issues like bullying, antisocial behaviour, drug and alcohol use and give pupils an insight into what life is like in prison.

Local Issues

- Youth Anti Social behaviour ^{1, 4, 6}
- Lack of Police visibility ¹
- Regeneration of Crowland town centre ^{2, 3}
- A1073 road scheme ⁵
- Little public transport ⁶
- Lack of school places at pre-school and primary level ⁶
- Feeling of being overlooked as Crowland is on the County boundary ⁶

Issues flagged up from a range of sources:

¹ Quality of Life Surveys

² Rural Action Zone / Community Safety Partnership

³ Economic Development

⁴ Environmental Health

⁵ Councillor Feedback

⁶ Local Development Stakeholder Event – Crowland, Dec 2007

Local Media

- Lincolnshire Free Press
- Spalding Guardian
- Spalding Target
- Peterborough Evening Telegraph
- Hereward FM – 102.7 FM
- Tulip Radio – 87.9 FM
- Lincs FM – 102.2 FM
- BBC Radio Lincolnshire – 104.7 FM
- BBC Radio Cambridgeshire – 95.7 FM