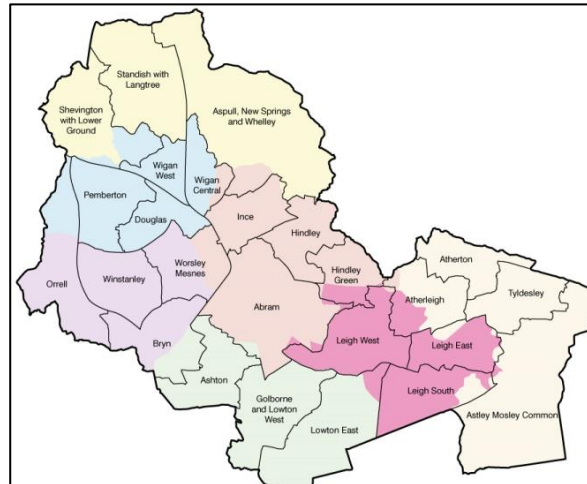


Key Vocabulary

Borough	a town or district
Contrast	2 things that are different to each other e.g. a town and the countryside
Diverse	showing a great deal of variety or differences
Census	An official count of the population. The most recent Census occurred in 2021.
Demographic	relating to the structure of populations.
Issue	An important topic or problem for debate or discussion.
Population	The number of people who live in a place.

Location of Atherton

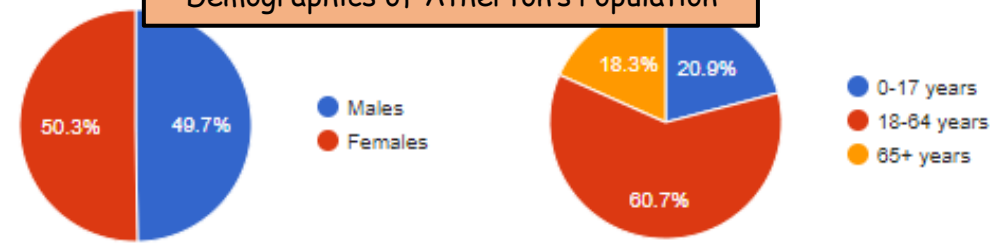
Atherton is located in Wigan, Greater Manchester, Northwest England, UK, Europe.



Population of Atherton:

Year	2001	2011	2021
Population	10,998	14,772	15,634

Demographics of Atherton's Population



History of Atherton

Atherton was a settlement called Chowbent from the 13th century. Atherton gets its name from the Atherton Family built the local manor and owned much of the local land from 1415. Atherton's main industries since the 14th century have been coal mining, nail and bolt production and cotton mills. The last mine closed in Atherton in 1966 and the last cotton mill closed in 1999.



This is a picture showing the Laburnum cotton mill in Atherton 1929

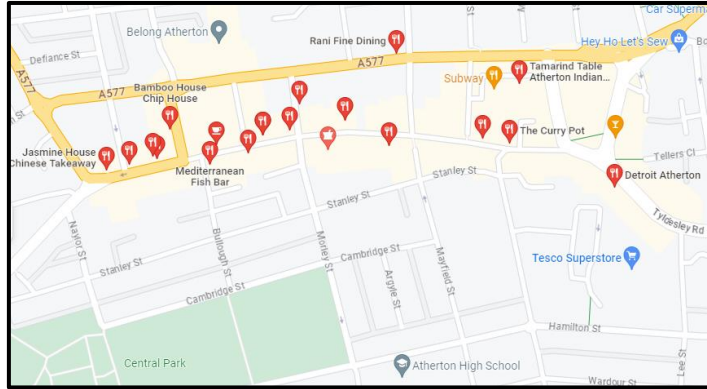
How we are connected to Greater Manchester

In Atherton we are connected to Greater Manchester through a range of public transport such as trains, buses and cycle routes. We visit other places in Greater Manchester for lots of reasons including: shopping, to see friends and family, for education, jobs, restaurants, cinema etc.



What is GIS?

A geographic information system (GIS) is a computer system for capturing, storing, checking, and displaying data related to positions on Earth's surface. GIS can show many different kinds of data on one map, such as streets, buildings, and vegetation. This enables people to more easily see, analyze, and understand patterns and relationships.



A GIS map showing where the restaurants are in Atherton

How is Atherton important?

During the Industrial Revolution, the town was a key part of the Manchester Coalfield. It was a district of collieries, cotton mills and iron-works, Atherton is the third-largest retail centre in the Borough of Wigan. Atherton is within the Manchester Travel to Work Area. There are public transport links by rail from Atherton and Hag Fold stations to Wigan and Manchester. Atherton has two semi-pro football teams, Atherton Collieries A.F.C and Atherton Laburnum Rovers F.C.

Similarities and Differences of Atherton and Gtr Mcr

Similarities

Differences

Prepare for your extended write

Question: 'Describe the location of Atherton and explain why it is an important place to you'

1. BUG the question by boxing the command word and underlining the content you need to write about.
2. List the key vocabulary you will use.
3. Create a plan of what you would write in each paragraph.
4. Practice writing your answer from memory.

Homework Activity...

You need to create a booklet, poster or video to inform people on your local area. You need to include lots of key pieces of information -Location, size, population, climate, major towns/cities close by, culture, food, landmarks as well as loads of interesting facts about the area.