Understanding Local Housing Markets

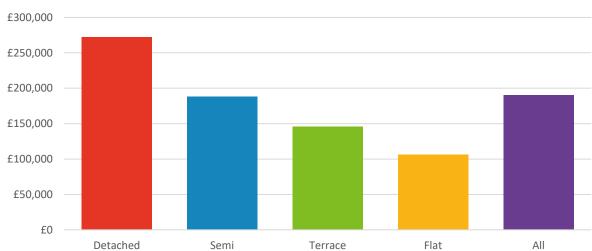


Waveney



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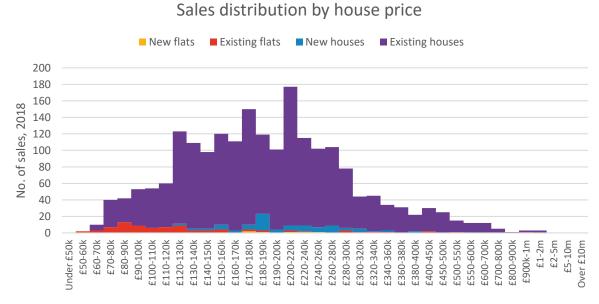




Source: HM Land Registry Price Paid Data

The average house price in Waveney in 2018 was £190,000. The median ratio of house prices to local earnings is 7.5. This is approximately the same as the England average of 8.0, suggesting high house prices may be an issue.

According to 2016 ONS data, the average price per square metre was £1,814 with the average price per bedroom £40,542 - the corresponding national average figures were £2,463 and £55,087.



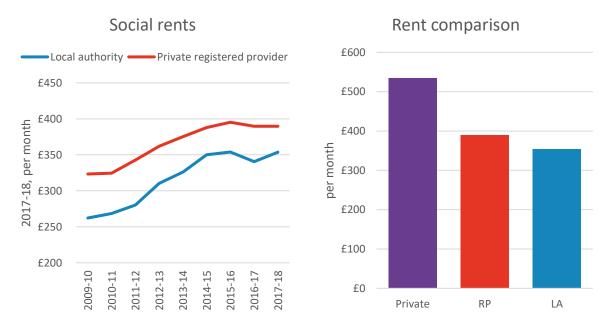
Source: HM Land Registry Price Paid Data

New homes made up 4.4% of the total 2,050 sales recorded by the Land Registry in 2018. 4.3% of total sales were flats, and 86.2% were under £300,000. By comparison, 66.0% of transactions nationally were under £300,000.



Source: VOA Private Rental Market Statistics

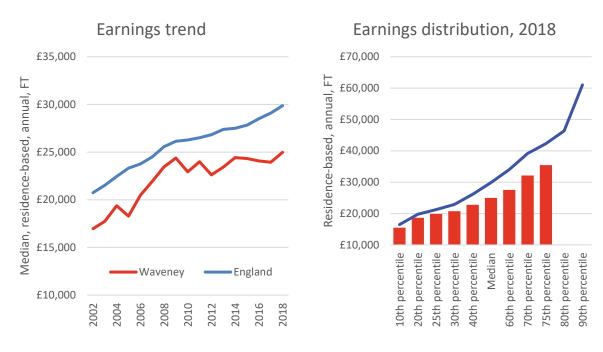
Private rents in Waveney in the 12 months to September 2018 ranged from £390 per month for a lower quartile one bed to £850 for an upper quartile four (or more) bed property. The overall median private rent was £535, which is lower than the England average of £690, suggesting high private rents are unlikely to be a significant problem.



Source: MHCLG Live Tables on Rents, Lettings and Tenancies; VOA Private Rental Market Statistics

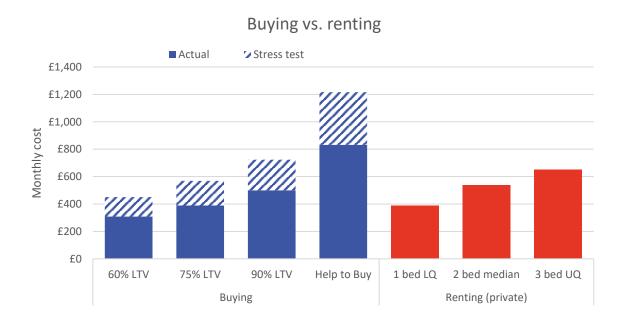
Social rents are approximately 69% of private rents in Waveney. Average social rents have increased 10.8% over the past five years, compared with 9.3% at national level.

Note: Social rents based on simple average of RP and local authority stock, or RPs only where no local authority stock (e.g. LSVT).



Source: ONS Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings

The median full-time earnings in Waveney were £24,977 in 2018, compared to £29,869 in England. Half of local full-time workers earn between the lower quartile of £19,891 and the upper quartile of £35,469, compared to national figures of £21,273 and £42,285.

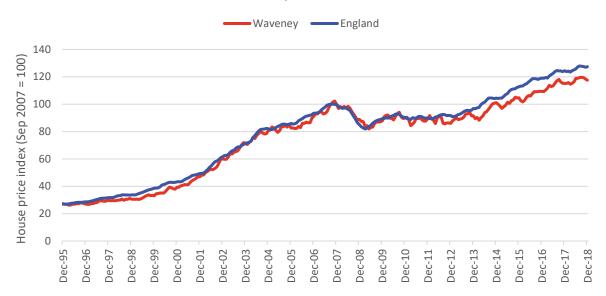


Source: HM Land Registry Price Paid Data; VOA Private Rental Market Statistics; Bank of England

This chart shows a simple comparison of initial mortgage costs and rents for a range of scenarios to represent potential FTB decisions.

Note: Buying scenarios based on average terraced house value (flat in London), lower of £600k (HTB limit) or average new build for HTB, and includes +3% mortgage rate stress test.

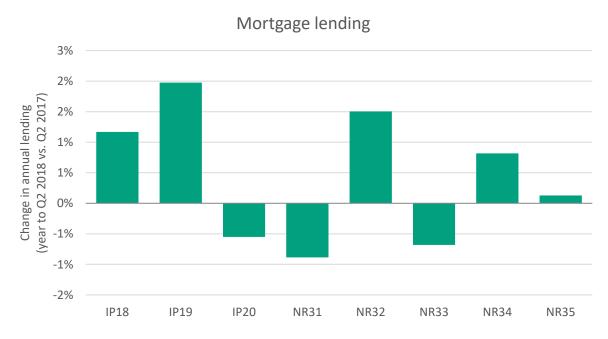




Source: HM Land Registry UK House Price Index

House prices in Waveney in December 2018 are higher than their 2007/08 peak by 14.9%, compared with England at +27.3%. This suggests that rapid house price growth through the current cycle is unlikely to be a local problem. Values in 2018 increased by 2.1% annually.

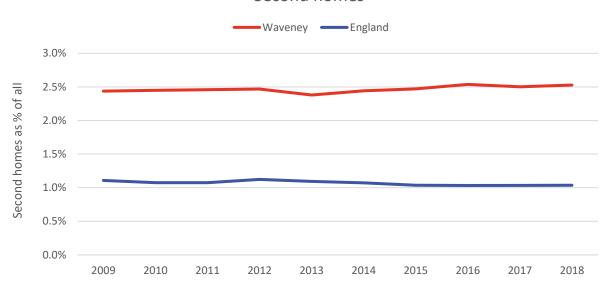
An indicative rental yield (based on ave 2 bed rent vs. ave flat sales value) for Waveney is 6.1%, compared with 3.4% nationally.



Source: UK Finance

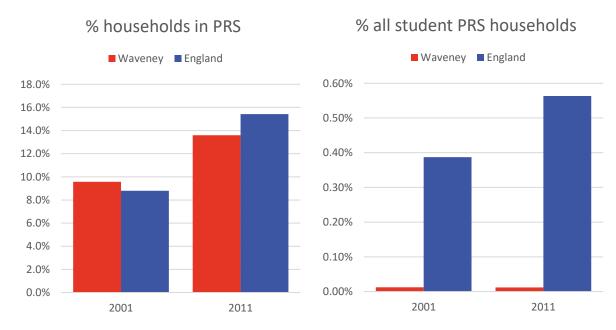
This chart shows the change in mortgage lending across the postcode districts in Waveney. The total volume of lending in the 12 months to Q2 2018 was £1,864 million, compared with £1,862 million a year earlier, a change of +0.1%.





Source: Council Tax Base

2.5% of residential properties in Waveney were recorded as second homes in 2018 according to Council Tax Base data. This is significantly higher than the England average, suggesting high levels of second home ownership are likely to be a significant issue, though other sources should be considered.

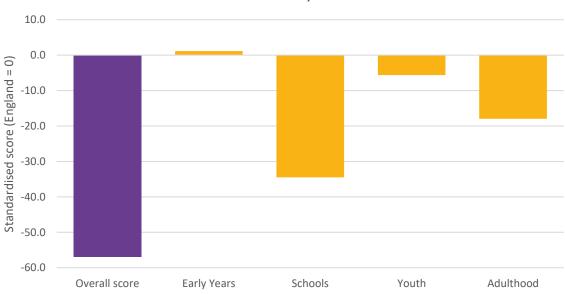


Source: 2001 and 2011 Census

13.6% of households in Waveney were rented privately according to the 2011 Census, compared to 9.6% in 2001. The England average changed from 8.8% to 15.4% over the same period.

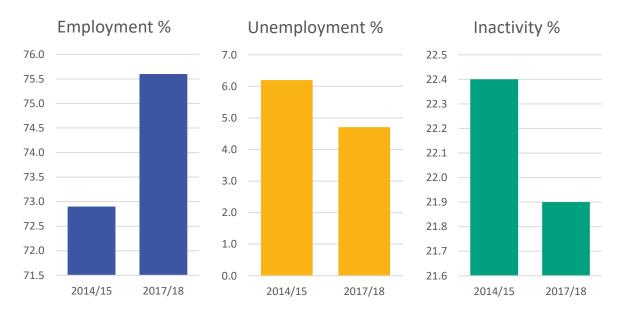
0.1% of the PRS households in Waveney comprised only students in 2011, compared with 3.7% in England, suggesting students are not a significant part of the local PRS market.





Source: Social Mobility Index

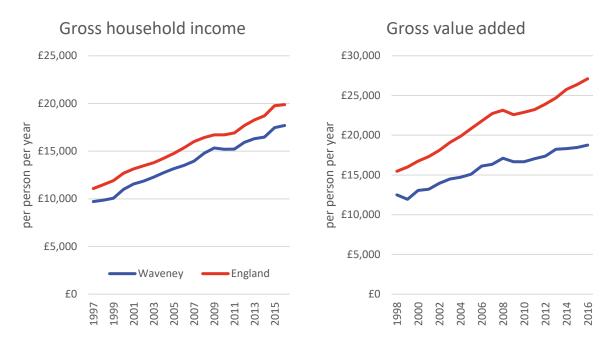
Waveney received an overall standardised score of -56.9 in the 2017 Social Mobility Index, compared to the England average of zero. Waveney ranks as 314/324 for overall score across all English local authorities for which data is available. Local house price affordability could be a further barrier to social mobility in this area.



Source: ONS Local Labour Market Indicators

Employment in Waveney changed from 72.9% in 2014/15 to 75.6% in 2017/18; unemployment changed from 6.2% to 4.7%; and economic inactivity changed from 22.4% to 21.9%.

By comparison, employment in England changed from 73.6% in 2014/15 to 75.3% in 2017/18; unemployment changed from 5.3% to 4.2%; and economic inactivity changed from 22.2% to 21.3%.

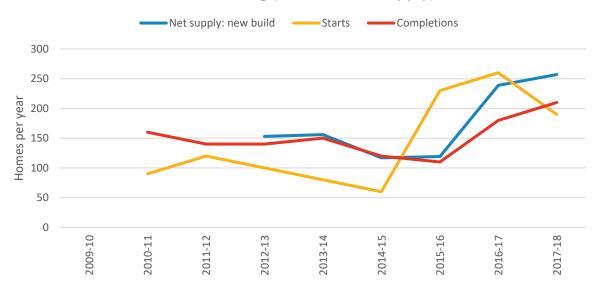


Source: ONS Regional Accounts

Gross domestic household income in Waveney was £17,690 per person per year in 2016, compared with £13,496 in 2006. By comparison the figure for England changed from £15,349 to £19,878 over the same period. Based on this measure, Waveney is a relatively less affluent area.

Gross value added at district level was £18,758 per person per year in 2016, compared with £16,129 a decade earlier. By comparison the figure for England changed from £21,773 to £27,108 over the same period.

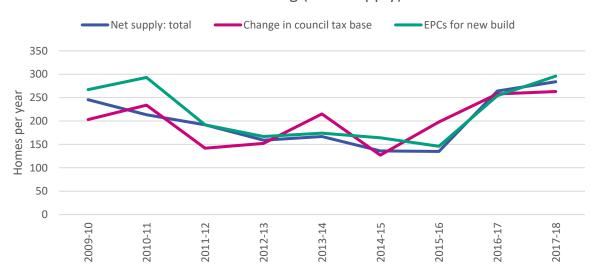




Source: MHCLG Live Tables 253a and 122

The measures of 'conventional' housebuilding for Waveney are shown in this chart. The 'official' MHCLG supply figures for 2017-18 recorded 257 new build completions (excluding any conversions or change of use). Over the same period 210 completions were recorded in the 'unofficial' quarterly data, along with 190 starts.

Housebuilding (total supply)

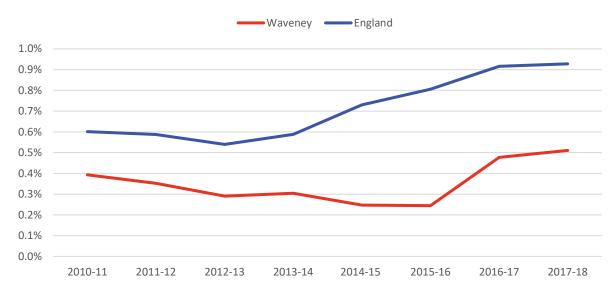


Source: MHCLG Live Table 122; MHCLG Live tables on Energy Performance of Buildings Certificates; Council Tax Base

This chart shows total supply for Waveney. The 'official' MHCLG supply figures for 2017-18 recorded 284 net new homes in total (including conversions and change of use, and after demolitions), and the Council Tax Base changed by +263 homes in the same period.

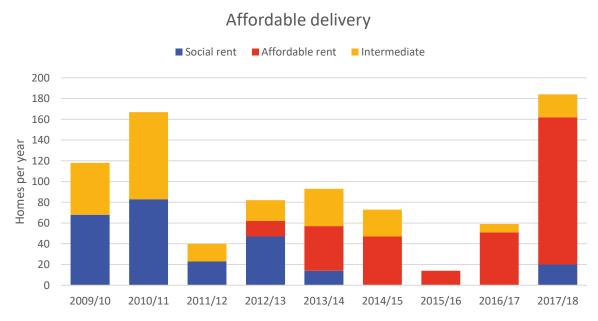
EPCs issued for new homes are used as a lead indicator of supply and can often be used to estimate net supply: 268 were recorded in the 2018 calendar year in Waveney.

Net additions as % of stock



Source: MHCLG Live Tables 100 and 122

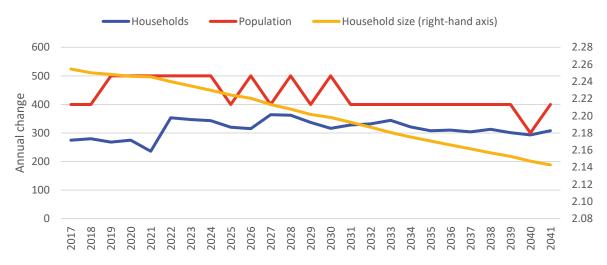
The net new supply in Waveney increased the existing housing stock by 0.5% in 2017/18. This is much lower than the England average of 0.9%, suggesting the level of local supply is likely to be a significant issue. Note that the Government's national target of 300,000 homes per year is equivalent to 1.3%.



Source: MHCLG Live Tables 1006C, 1006aC and 1007C

The previous analysis in this section covers delivery of all tenures / by all types of developer. This chart shows only delivery of affordable housing. In Waveney 184 new affordable homes were completed in 2017/18: 20 for social rent, 142 for affordable rent and 22 intermediate affordable homes.

Household and population projections



Source: ONS 2016-based Sub-national Population and Household Projections

Population growth in Waveney is set to average 432 people per year from 2020 to 2041, with projected average annual household growth of 320 households over the same period. The average household size in 2020 is projected to be 2.25, and 2.14 in 2041.

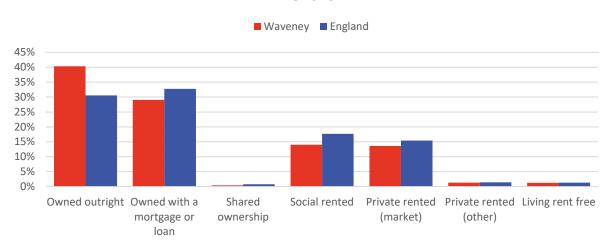




Source: MHCLG Housing Delivery Test 2018 Measurement

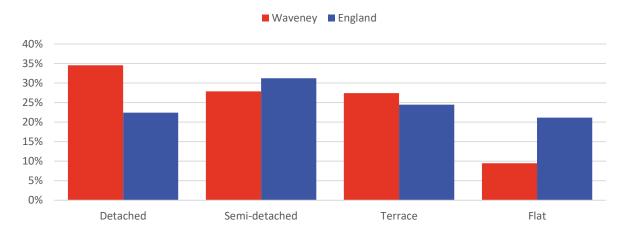
The most recent figures show that Waveney delivered fewer new homes than required by the MHCLG Housing Delivery Test. 669 net new homes were supplied over the past three full years, compared with the 925 required. The result of the test is that an additional buffer is added to future land supply requirements.





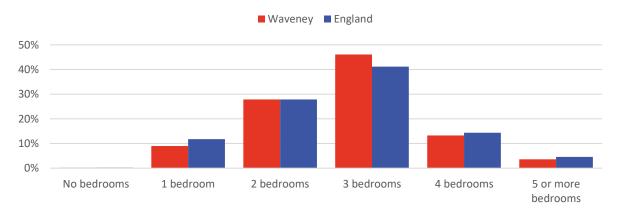
Source: 2011 Census

Property type



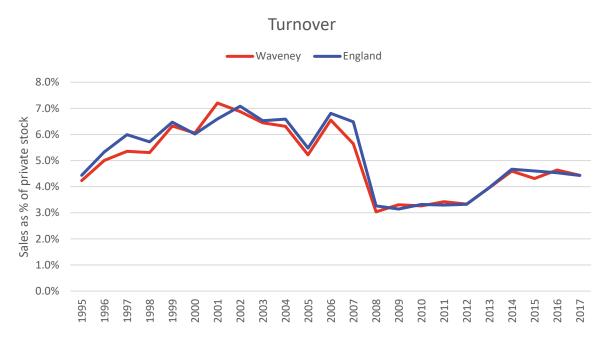
Source: 2011 Census

Number of bedrooms



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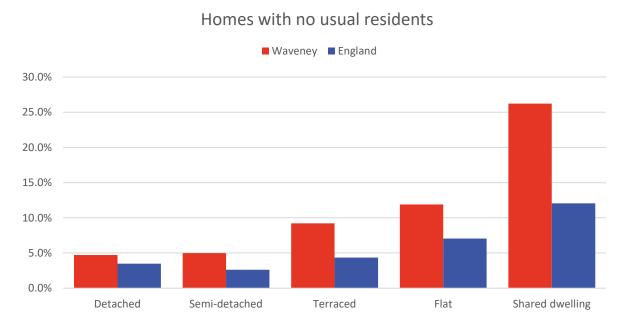
These three charts show property characteristics for Waveney from the 2011 Census, compared to the national averages.



Source: HM Land Registry Price Paid Data

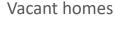
Turnover in Waveney was 4.4% in 2017 (the latest year with full data). This is significantly lower than the average before the global financial crisis (turnover from 2001-05 averaged 6.4%). For comparison turnover in England was 4.4% in 2017.

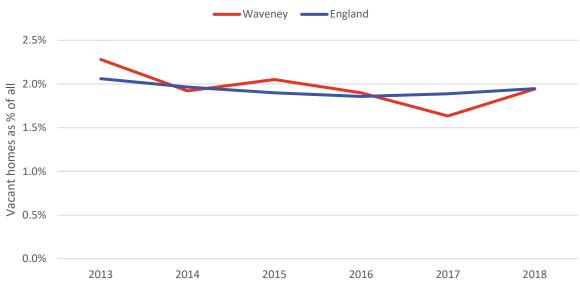
Note that the above analysis includes both standard Land Registry 'A' data and additional 'B' data (which covers reposessions, mortgaged buy-to-let and corporate transactions). In Waveney in 2017 there were 122 'B' sales, 5.7% of the total.



Source: 2011 Census

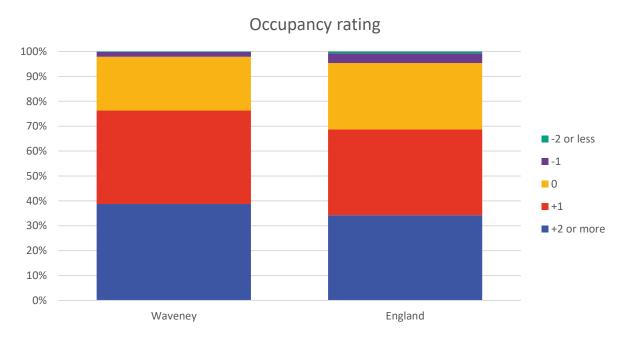
The proportion of homes with no usual residents in Waveney was 6.9% according to the 2011 Census. This level is significantly higher than the England average of 4.3%.





Source: Council Tax Base

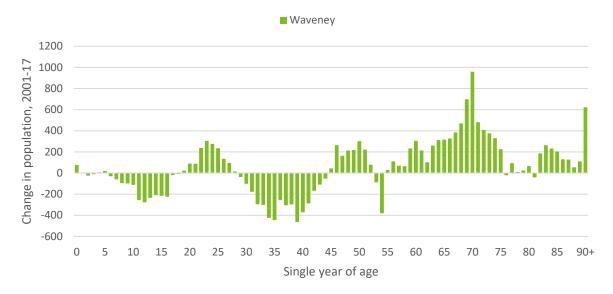
1.9% of residential properties in Waveney were recorded as vacant in 2018 according to Council Tax Base data. This is approximately the same as the England average, suggesting high levels of vacant homes may be a problem.



Source: 2011 Census

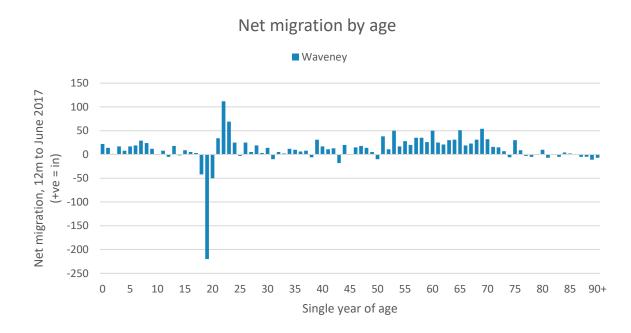
38.8% of homes in Waveney had two or more spare bedroom, according to the 2011 Census. This is higher than the England average, suggesting the distribution of housing is likely to be a problem.

Population change by age, 2001-17



Source: ONS Population Estimates

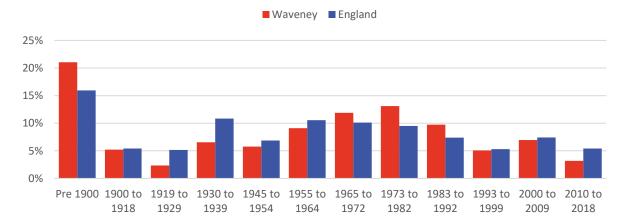
Overall, the population of Waveney grew between 2001 and 2017, changing by +4.8%. Overall growth at national level over the same period was +12.5%. By age, the largest single contribution to growth was from 70 year olds.



Source: ONS Local Area Migration Indicators

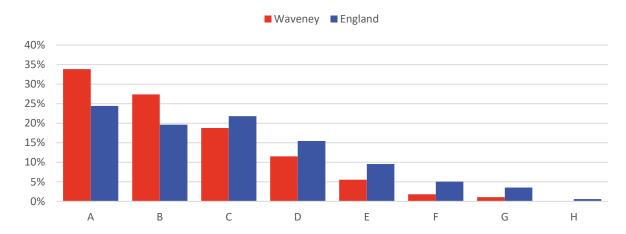
The overall population in Waveney changed by +1.0% due to migration in the 12 months to June 2017: +0.8% from domestic sources and +0.1% from international. By age, the largest single contribution to growth was from 22 year olds.

Age of housing stock



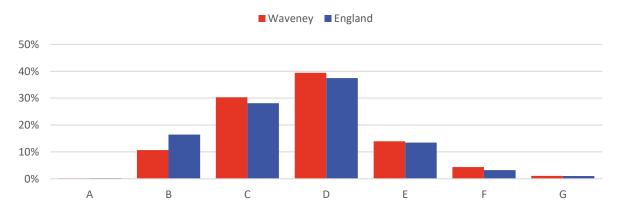
Source: Council Tax Base

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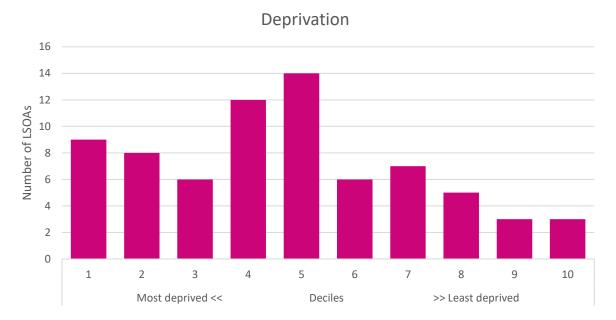
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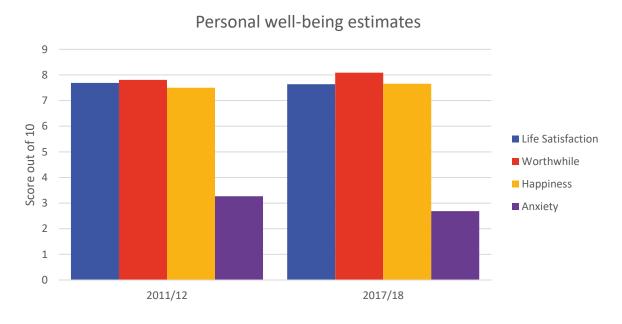
Source: Council Tax Base

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Source: 2015 Indices of Multiple Deprivation

32% of the LSOAs in Waveney are in the three most deprived deciles, based on the 2015 indices of multiple deprivation. This suggests it is an area of average relative derpivation (the national average is 30%).

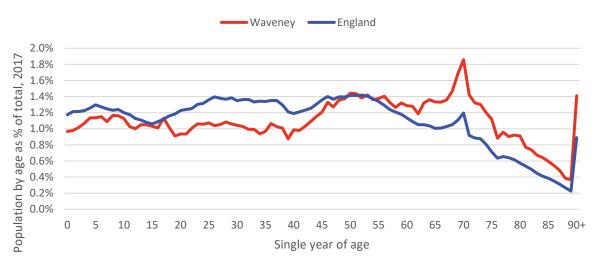


Source: Annual Population Survey (Headline estimates of personal well-being)

Residents of Waveney scored their life satisfaction at 7.64 out of 10 on average in 2017/18, compared to the England average of 7.68. The corresponding figures for 2011/12 were 7.69 and 7.41 respectively.

Over all four categories combined, local people have higher than average levels of well-being in 2017/18, compared to the national figures.



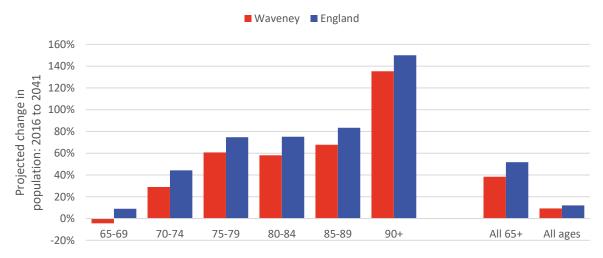


Source: ONS Population Estimates

The population structure of Waveney comprised 6.9% aged 18 to 24, 47.2% aged 25 to 64, and 26.6% aged 65 and over in 2017. The corresponding figures for England were 8.7%, 51.9% and 18.0%.

This suggests that the local population may include a lower than average level of students, along with a higher than average level of older people.

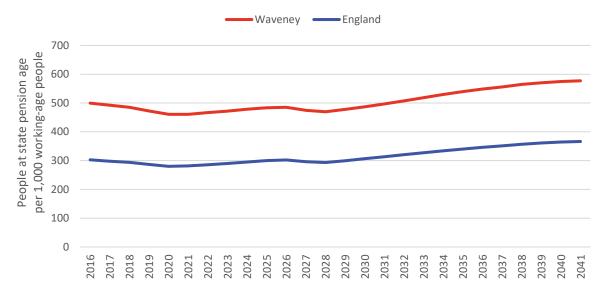




Source: ONS 2016-based Population Projections

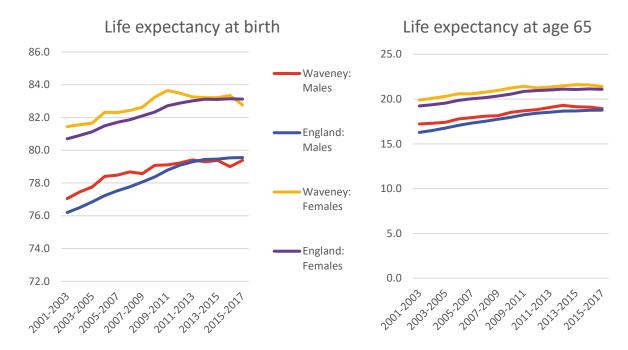
The 65 and over population of Waveney is expected to grow by 38.4% from 2017 to 2041, according to the latest ONS population projections. This is compared to an overall population change of +9.2%. The corresponding national figures are growth of 51.7% and 12.1% respectively.

Old age dependency ratio



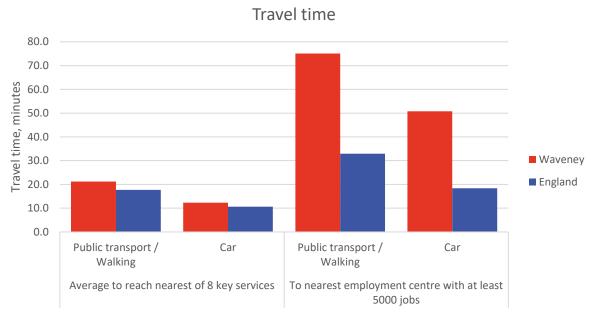
Source: ONS Old Age Dependecy Ratios

In Waveney in 2019 there are expected to be 472.5 people of state pension age for every 1,000 workingage people, compared to an average of 286.8 at national level. By 2041 these rates are projected to reach 577.3 and 366.4 respectively.



Source: ONS Life expectancy at birth and age 65

The average life expectancy for people born in 2015-17 in Waveney is 79.4 years for men and 82.8 years for women. The equivalent national figures are 79.6 and 83.1 respectively.



Source: DfT Journey Time Statistics

Waveney has below average public transport connectivity compared to the national figures, with an average travel time to reach the nearest 8 key services of 21.2 minutes (England average = 17.7).