



## DARTMOOR LOCAL PLAN

guiding planning applications in Dartmoor National Park

### Settlement Profile:

## *Sourton*

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This settlement profile has been prepared by Dartmoor National Park Authority to provide an overview of key information and issues for the settlement. It has been prepared in consultation with Parish/Town Councils and will be updated as necessary.



# Introduction

*Sourton is a very small village, lying on the north-west edge of the National Park, below Sourton Tors and astride the A386. The road forms the National Park boundary at this point, bisecting the village and meaning that for planning purposes the village is split between DNPA and West Devon Borough Council. The village possesses a church, village hall and pub.*

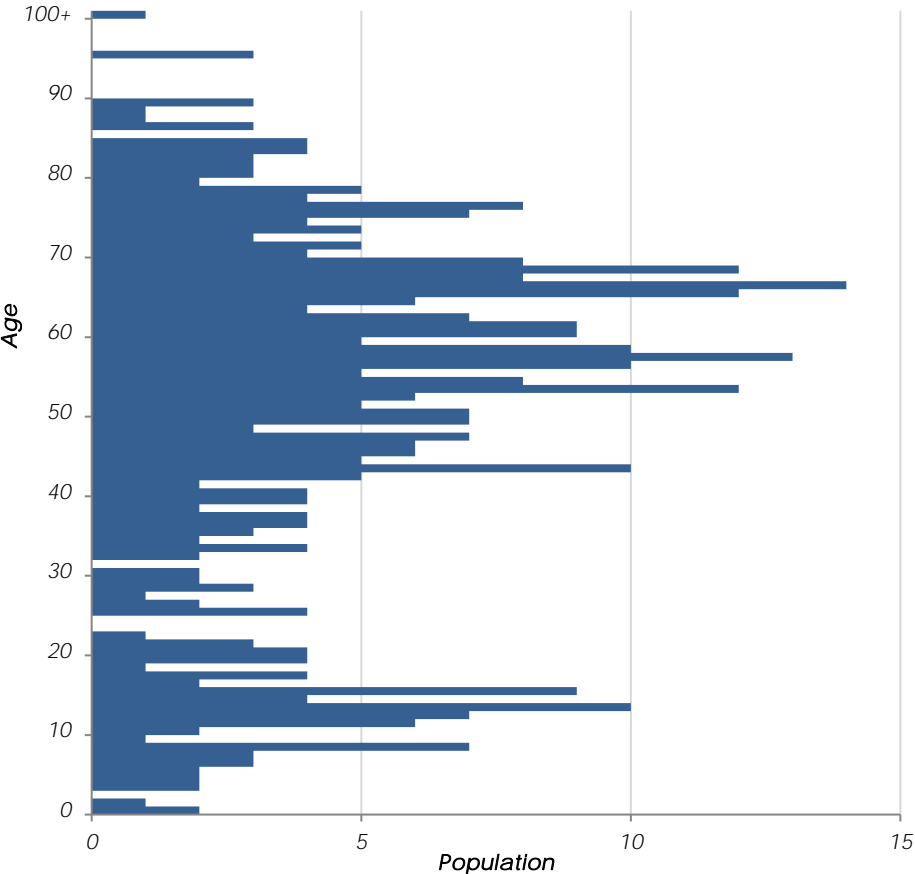
*The village developed to support farming and associated trades, including lime production. It also lay on the turnpike road between Okehampton and Tavistock. In the latter part of the 19th century until its closure in the mid-20th century, the line of the Southern Railway skirted the village. The track bed of the railway has now been converted to a cycle route ('Granite Way'), which forms part of the National Cycle Network route NCN27. Sourton provides a convenient and accessible starting point for visits to the high moor.*



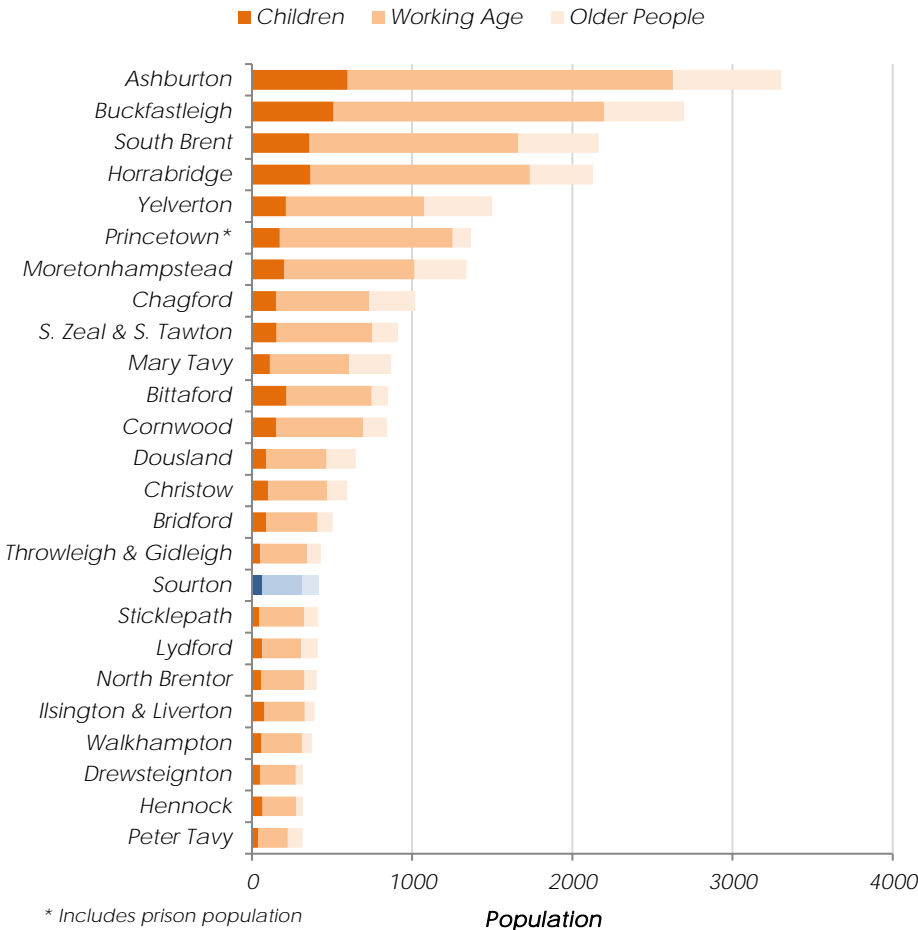
## Population 420

Census 2011, determined by best-fit Output Areas

### Age Profile (Census 2011)

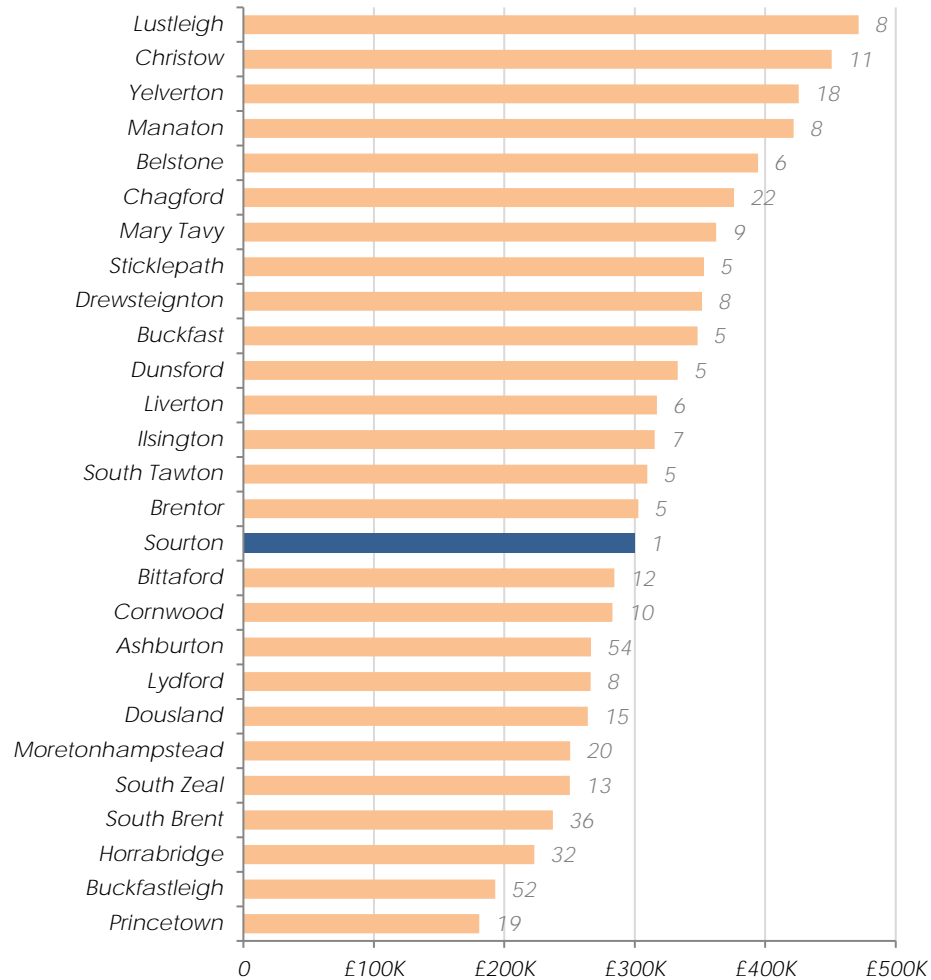


### Settlement comparison (Census 2011)



## Average House Prices 2016

Excluding settlements other than Sourton with less than five sales, number of sales labelled  
The low sales experienced in Sourton do not provide an accurate average, but are an indication of poor housing availability in this area



Land Registry, 2016

## Identifying Housing Need

Sourton's affordable housing need will be identified from housing need within the following Parishes:

*Bridestowe and Sourton*

*Sites allocated for development in current local plan:*

*No sites allocated for development*

*No affordable units have been delivered on other sites since 2008*

*April 2016 Housing Needs Assessment for Bridestowe and Sourton recommended:*

*12 affordable units needed in five years*

*11 one-bed and 1 two-bed*

*9 rented accommodation and 3 shared ownership*

## Issues Paper Consultation (Dec 2016)

*No comments received from the Parish Council or local residents (respondents may not have submitted their address details)*

## Open Space, Sport and Recreation

*We are aware of the following priorities for improving Open Space, Sport and Recreation facilities:*

- *None known*

## Infrastructure delivery

*We are aware of the following items of infrastructure which are needed and have a reasonable prospect of being funded in the next 20 years:*

- *Cemetery extension*
- *Desire for additional parking (detailed assessment required)*

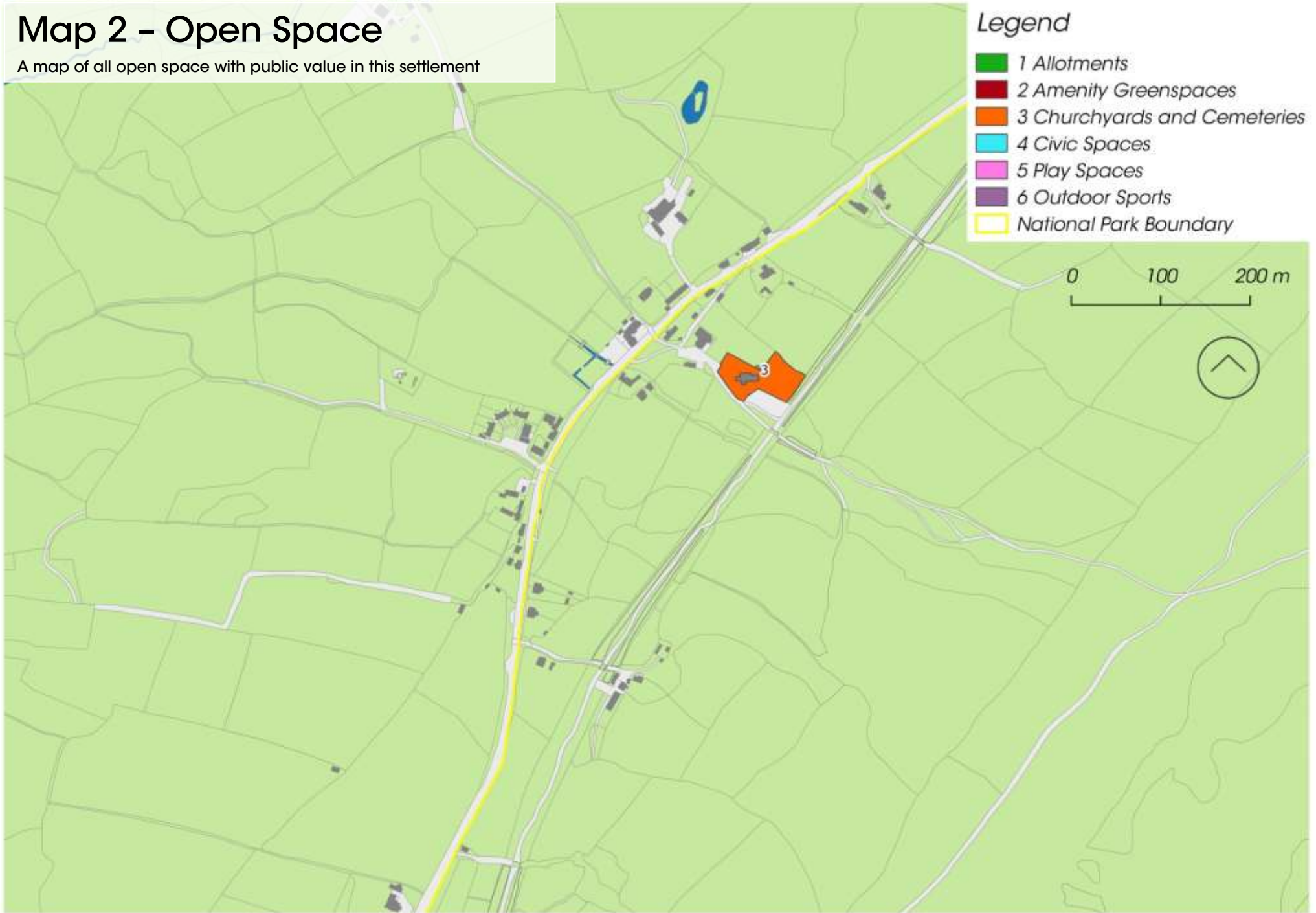
# Map 1 – Planning Considerations

A map of key policy designations affecting planning decisions in this settlement



# Map 2 - Open Space

A map of all open space with public value in this settlement



# Settlement Services and Connectivity

Information on this settlement's services and how well connected it is

## Settlement Services

Settlement	Post Office	Village Store	Village Hall	Primary School	Regular Bus Service	Recreation Ground	<b>Children's Play Area</b>	Church	Pub	Health Centre	Branch Surgery	Pharmacy	Garage (fuel)	A-Road	B-Road	U-Road
Sourton	x	x	✓	x	✓	x	x	✓	✓	x	x	x	x	✓	✓	✓
<i>If no, distance to nearest</i>	>5km	>5km		2.6-5km												

## Method of Travelling to work (Census 2011)

