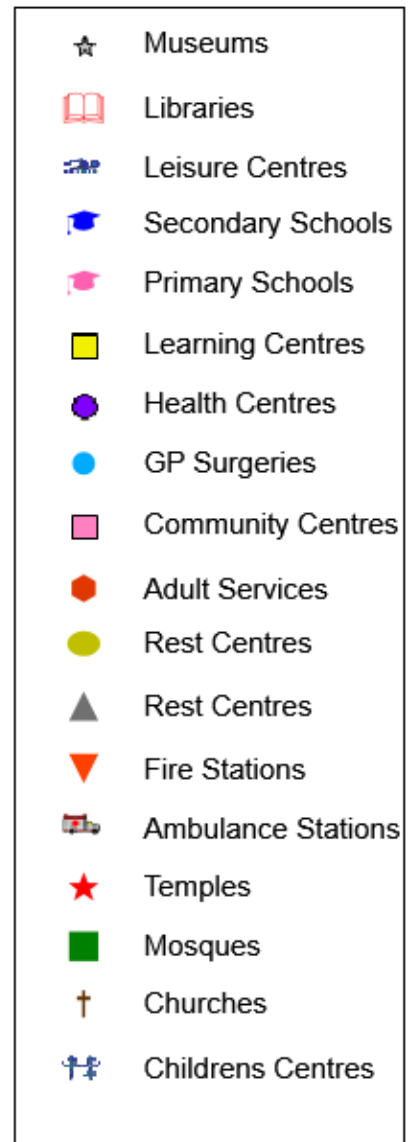
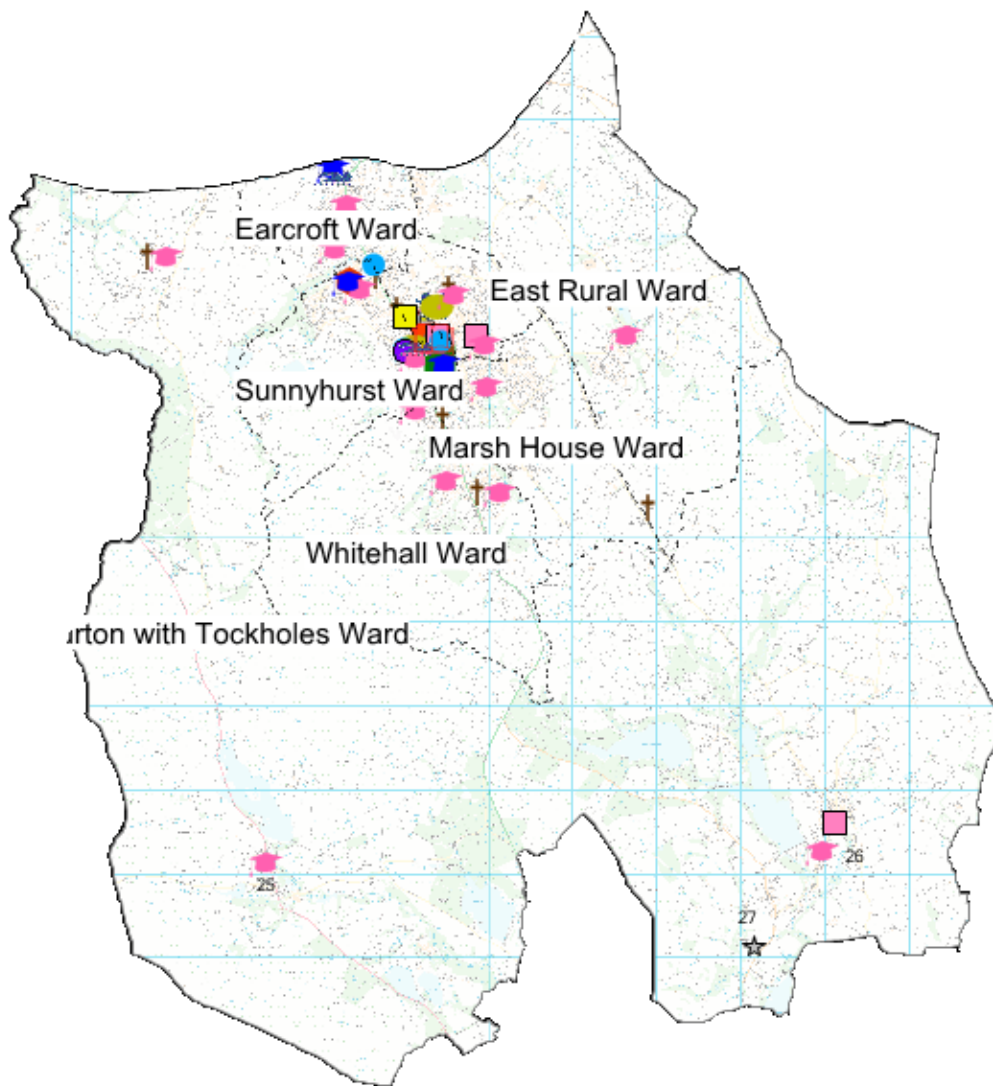


DARWEN & RURAL



Significant risks	Very High	High	Medium	Low	Very Low
Extreme Weather	Heavy Snow/ Heatwave	Drought	Storms & gales		
Forest/Moorland Fire		✓			
Transport		Local accident on motorway	Railway accident		

Reservoir	Risk	Grid Reference (x)	Grid Reference (y)
Wayoh	High	373660.00	416280.00
Entwistle & Turton	High	372360.00	417220.00
Jumbles	High	373446.00	414354.00
Delph	High	370270.00	415240.00
Belmont	High	367403.00	416375.00

In Blackburn with Darwen, there are a total of 1842 properties identified as being at risk from flooding from rivers. Darwen does tend to suffer from frequent flash flooding. The Environment Agency offers a flood warning service to 608 of these properties that are within 3 formal flood warning areas. Of the people fully registered for the flood warning service for the 3 flood warning areas in Blackburn, 85 are commercial properties and 188 are residential properties.

Earcroft ward is located to the South of the M65 motorway at junction 4. It encompasses the Birch Hall and Anchor residential areas and the industrial estate around Hollins Road. The ward covers some 243 hectares.

Marsh House is situated towards the South of the borough on the South-Eastern edge of Darwen. It is a mixed area of housing and open land encompassing the residential area of Spring Vale Garden Village, Turncroft and Marsh House Lane. The old ward boundary covered almost 400 hectares.

Sudell ward is situated in the centre of the borough in the East of Darwen. It is a mixed area of residential properties and some open land including the Chapel, Two Gates and St James residential areas. The old boundary covered almost 167 hectares.

Sunnyhurst is situated in the centre of the Borough to the West of Darwen. It is a mixed area of residential housing and open moor land. It contains most of Darwen town centre; the residential areas of Sunnyhurst and Belgrave and to the West, Darwen Tower. The ward covers almost 417 hectares.

Whitehall is situated in the South West of the borough in the South of Darwen. A mixed area of housing and open land, it spans the A666 and contains Whitehall park. The ward covers approximately 757 hectares.

The total population for Darwen and Rural is 26.447 thousand people.

Railways

Within the **rail network** between Darwen and Entwistle stations, lies the Sough tunnel, which is 1,850 meters long and is one of the longest in the UK. Network Rail currently own and maintain the tunnel working with emergency services to put emergency plans in place in the event of an incident.

