

Year 4: Local Area Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary

Map of Westbrook

Important knowledge about Westbrook

suburb

A suburb is an area of a town or city, a little away from the main part, where there are fewer big buildings and mainly houses, schools and shops.

aerial view

An aerial view means to look at something from above.

key

A list of symbols that appear on the map

congestion

When vehicles travel slower because there is too much traffic on roads. This makes trip times longer and increases queueing. This is also known as a traffic jam.

public transport

A system for taking people from one place to another, for example, using buses or trains.

pedestrians

A pedestrian is a person travelling on foot, whether walking or running.

pedestrian crossings

A marked path where people can safely walk across a street or road.

zebra crossing

Zebra crossings are marked with black and white stripes on the road and zigzag lines on either side. These markings warn drivers that there may be pedestrians crossing or waiting to cross the road.

pelican crossing

A type of pedestrian crossing which features a set of traffic lights, plus a push button and a further two coloured lamps for pedestrians using the crossing.

speed limit

Speed limits on road traffic set the legal maximum speed at which vehicles may travel on a given stretch of road.



Types of Pedestrian Crossings



- I know how to use an online mapping tool to investigate the local area.
- I know how to use a 4-figure grid reference.
- I know why we use 4-figure grid references.
- I can use an online mapping tool to make a map of a short route.
- I can plan and prepare a fieldwork investigation.
- I know how to carry out field work using a tally chart.
- I can carry out fieldwork using my own method.
- I know how a pedestrian crossing works.
- I can use my tally chart to create graph.
- I can use fieldwork to present the human features in the local area (roads and pedestrian crossings) using graphs and maps.
- I can analyse my findings.
- I can write a formal letter to the local council discussing road safety in my local area.