

# The Interdependence of a Town and its surrounding Area: **St Ives and its local area**

St Ives is a busy market town, but it doesn't provide everything people need. People in St Ives may visit other local places; Likewise people living in small villages close to St Ives may visit the town for services not available in their own village.

Interdependence between these places. People will visit other places up the hierarchy for services not available in their own village / town.

| Settlement Type       | Local Example       | Services   | Types of Shops  | Goods Sold  | Frequency of Visit          |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--|---|---|-----------------------------|
| <b>Capital City</b>   | <b>London</b>       | Cathedrals, government buildings, international airport, financial centres. Many specialist shops.                       | All major national and some international chain and department stores.                        | Highest order, luxury and comparison goods (furniture and fashions) | Twice Yearly (maybe more)   |
| <b>Regional City</b>  | <b>Cambridge</b>    | Wider choice of shops, including many chain stores, regional offices, airport.   | Large national chain stores, John Lewis department stores, Debenhams hypermarkets (e.g Tesco) | High order (increasingly specialist)                                | Twice monthly (maybe more)  |
| <b>Large Town</b>     | <b>Huntingdon</b>   | Greater range – including cinema and edge of town retail parks.  | Larger chain stores, superstores e.g. Sainsburys.   | Middle order (some specialist and comparison goods)                 | Weekly                      |
| <b>Small Town</b>     | <b>St Ives</b>      | Wider range of services, market, supermarket, library, dentist (and <b>neighbourhood shopping parade</b> outside of CBD) | Small chain stores e.g. Woolworths  | Middle Order (some specialist shops)                                | Twice or three times a week |
| <b>Larger Village</b> | <b>Needingworth</b> | Fewer services e.g church, public house, possibly a general store  | Village shop<br>Post office   | Low order, convenience goods – bread newspaper                      | Several times a week        |
| <b>Small Village</b>  | <b>Holywell</b>     | Post Box / Telephone   | Mobile shop?  | Meat, fish, groceries?  | -                           |
| <b>Hamlet</b>         | <b>Conington</b>    | None   | None  | None  | -                           |