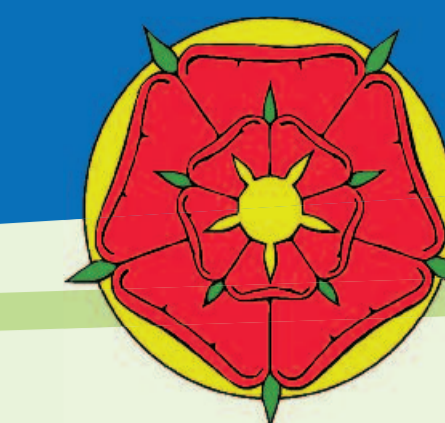


# Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan: **DEVELOPMENT**



## How the Stonehouse settlement has grown.

Stonehouse originally centred on the agricultural needs of the Manor House. It grew with the rise of the woollen industry in the 17th and 18th centuries when small mills supported work at home, then work moved to factories. As the textiles industry declined, Stonehouse remained a thriving place as smaller businesses of all types took over.

The coming of the canal and railway attracted people with money and Stonehouse was an educated and prosperous place in the 19th century. New houses towards the end of the 19th century were constructed from materials produced by the Stonehouse Brick and Tile Company.

The Second World War brought the engineering companies to Stonehouse and heralded the modern industrial estate. New homes were built for the workers and the population rose from **2,300** in 1923 to **4,200** in 1952 then to **5,400** in 1971.



Arrowsmith Drive – 2000s



Brisbane – 1990s



Severn Road – 1950s



Gloucester Road – 1800s



Regent Street - 1800s

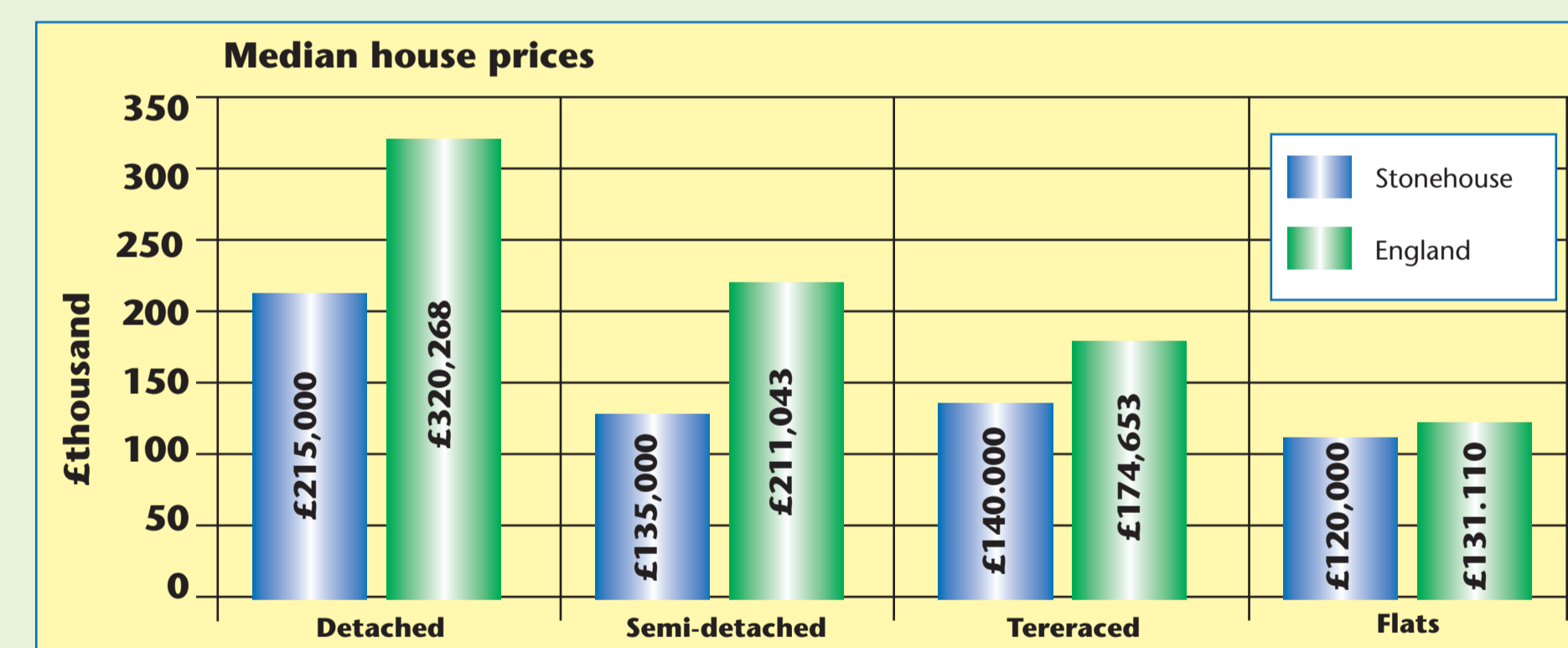
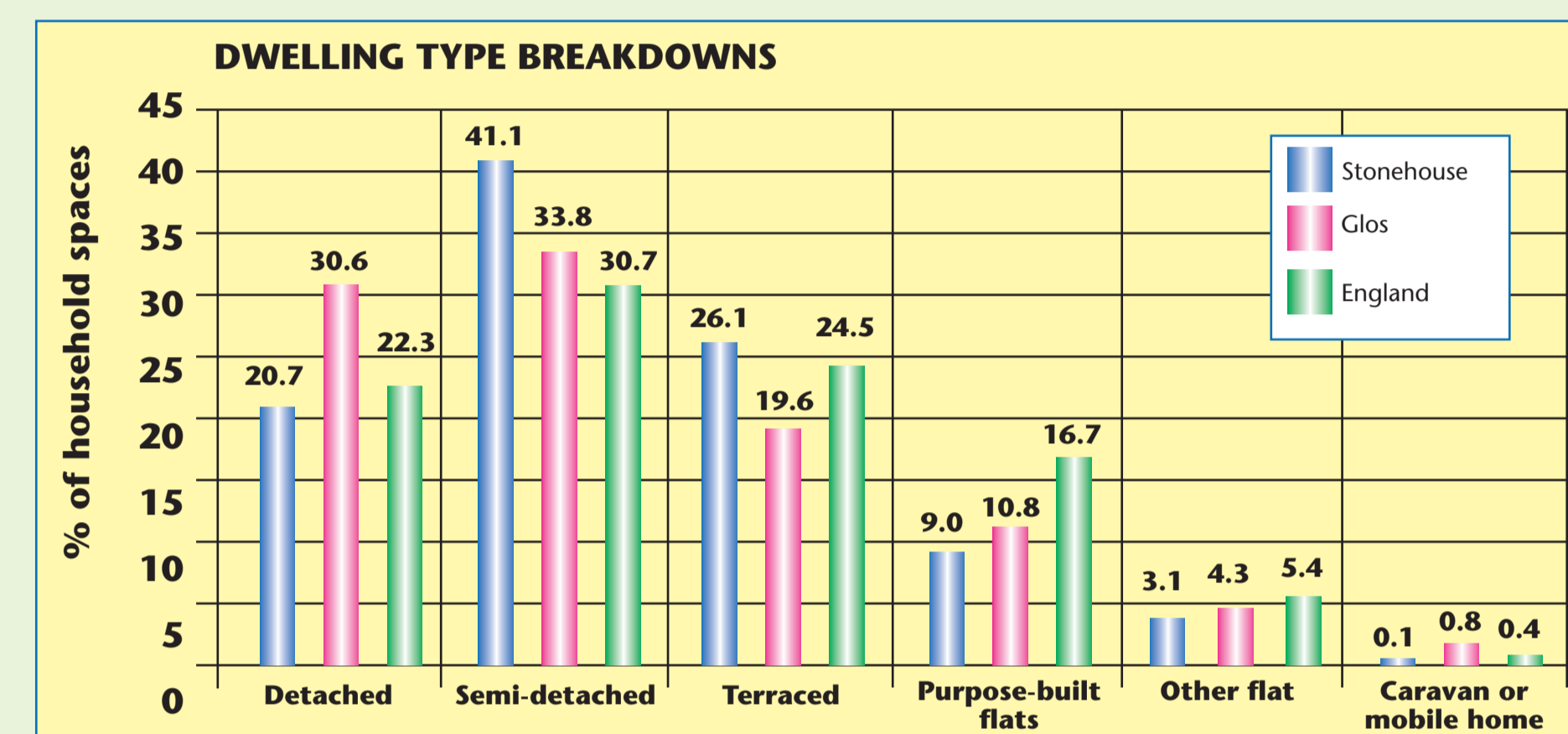
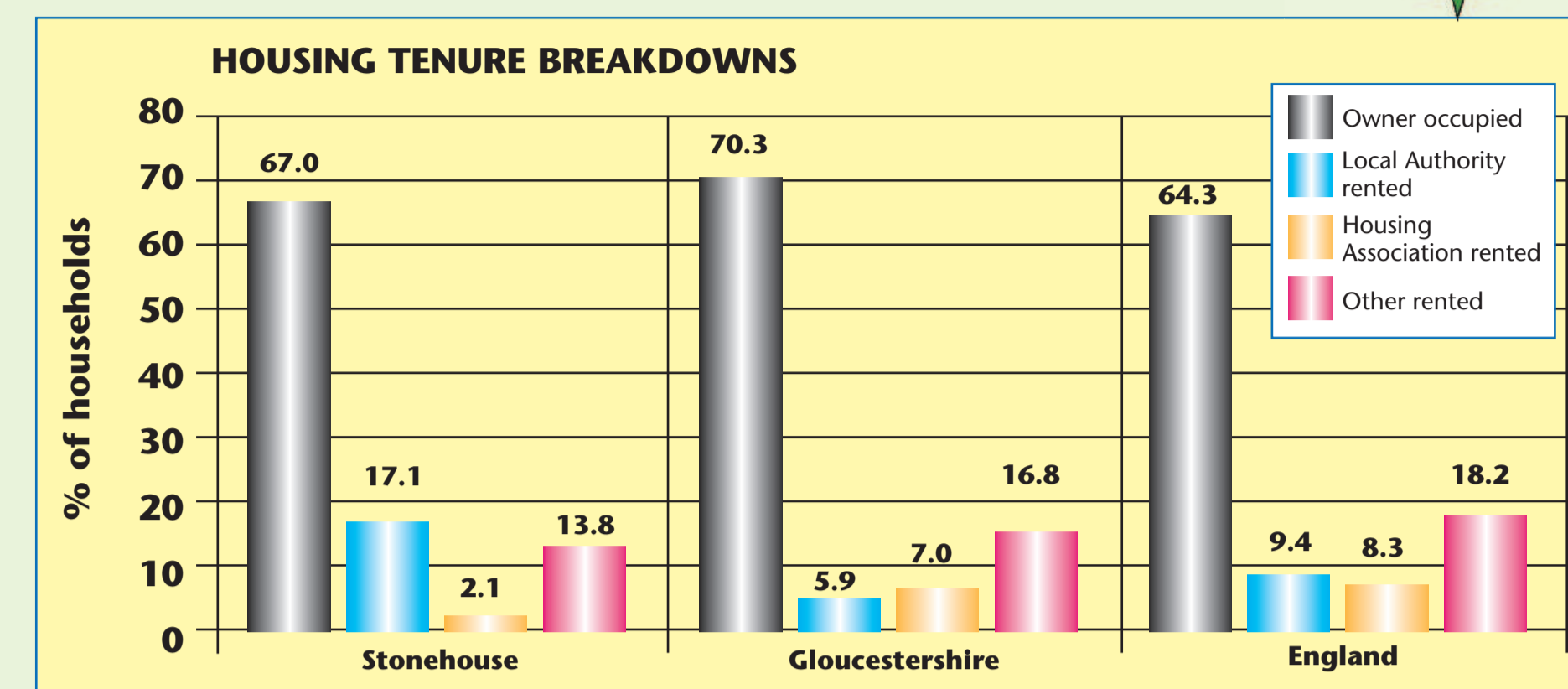
## Housing today

According to the 2011 census, **7,600** people lived in **3,060** households in Stonehouse.

Nearly **70%** of housing in Stonehouse is owner occupied while **19%** is social rented housing and the rest is other rented.

Semi detached and terraced housing accounts for **67%** of the housing stock – higher than the national average. There is a smaller proportion of detached housing and flats in Stonehouse than is the average in England

House prices in Stonehouse are slightly lower than the England average.



## Things to consider:

- How will your personal needs for housing in Stonehouse change over the next 20 years?
- In general, what type of housing do you think will be needed in Stonehouse for the future?
- Where could new housing be built in Stonehouse?
- What should be borne in mind when planning and building any new housing in Stonehouse?