

## **Why Come to Wrexham?**

Wrexham is the largest town in the north of Wales with a population of 61,603 (at 2011 census) and is situated between the Welsh mountains and the lower Dee Valley alongside the border with England. Wrexham has excellent transport links to neighbouring cities, Chester, Liverpool and Manchester. The beautiful north Wales coast line and Snowdonia National Park are all less than an hour's drive away making Wrexham an excellent location.

Wrexham boasts a thriving shopping centre with several retail parks surrounding the town. There are two traditional covered markets (Butter, Butchers) plus an open-air market which is held every Monday on Queens's Square in the town centre. A short drive away is Tweedmill Shopping Outlet in St Asaph and Broughton Retail Park. Tweedmill is one of the biggest outlets in North Wales offering some of the best local produce and household names. Broughton Retail Park also offers excellent shopping facilities with a blend of high street chains and independent shops. The much-acclaimed Cheshire Oaks Designer Outlet Centre is similarly close.

The Racecourse Ground is the world's oldest international stadium and to home to Wrexham FC. Wrexham has a second stadium, Queensway International Athletics Stadium which is home to North Wales' largest athletics club and the rugby league side, North Wales Crusaders. Wrexham is home to the North Wales Regional Tennis Centre, which plays host to a number of international competitions each year including the Challenger Series.

Glyndŵr University in Wrexham is an accredited institution of the University of Wales and offers both undergraduate and postgraduate degrees. Glyndŵr has approximately 8,000 full-time students and over 350 from outside the UK, although not all on the Wrexham campus. Coleg Cambia is the main provider of further education in Wrexham and is one of the largest colleges in Wales. It provides a wide range of academic and vocational education courses at its two campuses at Grove Park in the town centre and Bersham Road on the outskirts of Wrexham town centre. As the local provider of A level courses, the college works closely with the school and provides an excellent sixth form for the town.

Wrexham and North Wales' diverse landscape is home to everything from cultural events, outdoor activities and historic sites, to beaches, mountains and lakes making it the perfect place to live, raise a family, enrich your life and keep you busy in your spare time. North Wales was recently voted the 4<sup>th</sup> best region to visit in the world by Lonely Planet, so why not come and see for yourself what north Wales has to offer?