



# How is our Country Changing?

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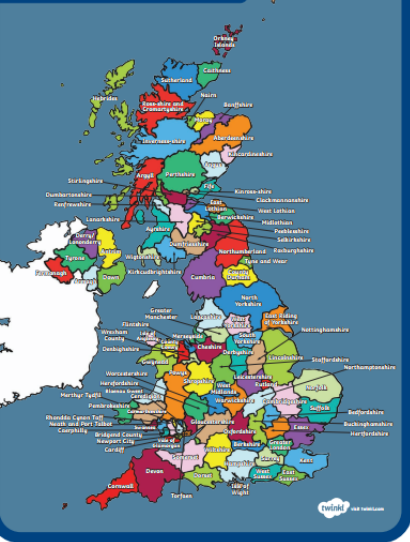
## KEY KNOWLEDGE

### The United Kingdom

The United Kingdom is split into different countries, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Each of these are split into areas called Counties. Each County contains Cities, Towns and Villages.



### UK Counties



Where we live:  
England - Country  
East Midlands - Region  
Nottinghamshire - County  
Gedling - District  
Calverton - Village

## KEY VOCABULARY

**city** - a large area where many people live together.

**compass directions** - north, north east, east, south east, south, south west, west, north west.

**continent** - a large solid area of land

**country** - land that is controlled by a single government.

**county** - the name for a piece of land.

**Great Britain** - the name for three nations on the main isle: England, Scotland and Wales.

**human feature** - things that have been built by people like houses, roads, shops etc.

**industry** - a group of businesses that make or sell similar products or perform similar services.

**mountain** - a landform that rises high above the surrounding terrain in a limited area.

**physical feature** - things that you can see all around you, made by nature like lakes, hills, rivers beaches etc.

**region** - an area of land that has common features.

**river** - a flowing stream of water that leads to the sea, a lake or another river.

**settlement** - places where people live and sometimes work.

**The British Isles** - a geographic area in Europe that includes the large island of Great Britain.

**The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland** - an island country of western Europe.

**town** - a place where people live which is smaller than a city.

**village** - a place where people live which is smaller than a town.

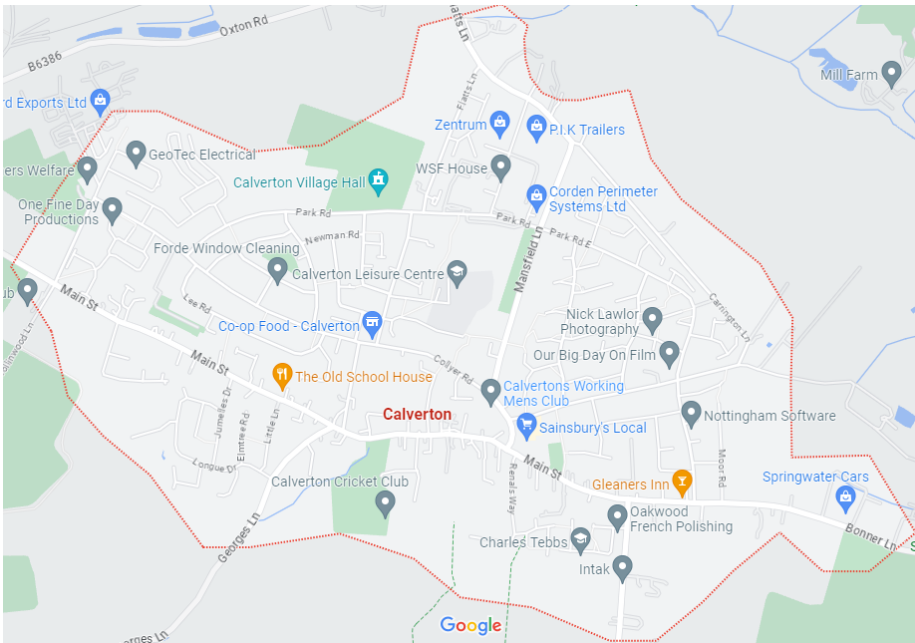


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## Local Area - Calverton

Calverton is a village in Nottinghamshire. It is 7 miles north-east of Nottingham and 10 miles south-east of Mansfield. In the 2021 census it found 7,579 inhabitants in 3,326 households.



### Changes in Calverton:

- Used to be a mining village.
- New safety measures (zebra crossing on main street).
- New houses being built.
- New shops added in different areas.



## Capital City - London

London's Olympic Park – before and after

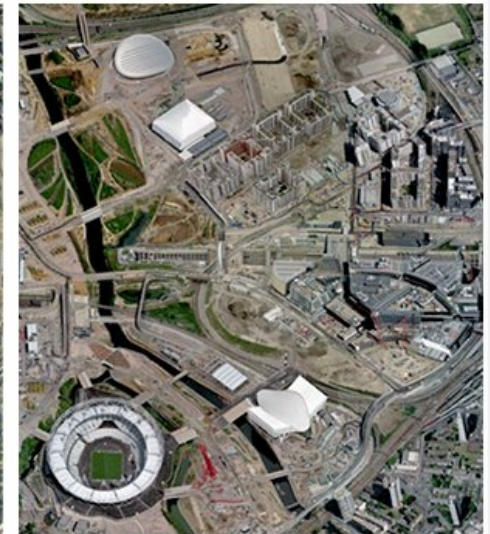
For the London 2012 Olympics a transformation of the area around Stratford, east London, took 7 years to get ready for the games.

This was a major transformation of the area and it continued to change after the games had ended.

BEFORE



AFTER



The Athletes village has now been made into its own community with housing, shops and restaurants.

The London Stadium has been host to a number of major sporting events including Football, Rugby and Athletics.

The Velodrome has been used for many cycling events.

The Copper Box Arena has been used for Tennis matches and boxing bouts televised by sky sports.