

Welcome to Hejnsvig

- A pleasant, safe place to live



An Introduction

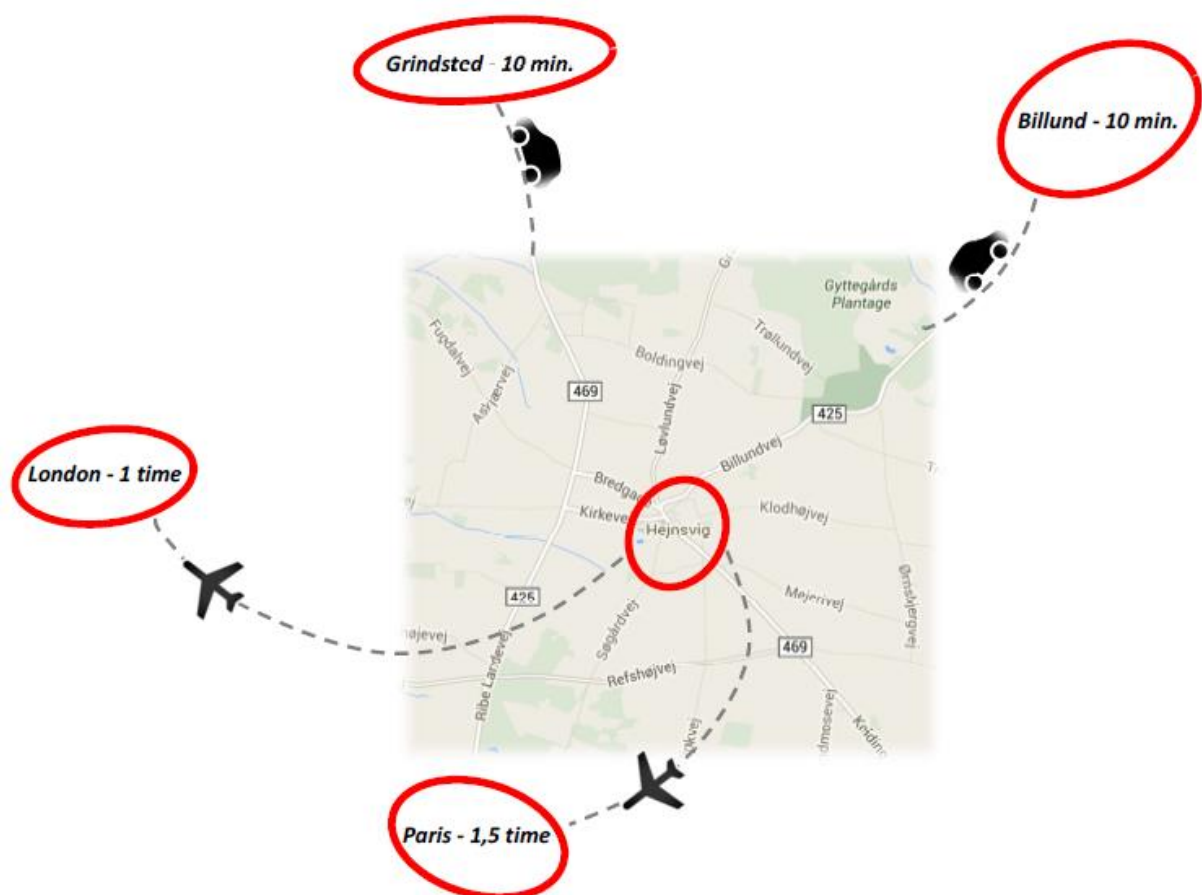
In Hejnsvig we have

- a kindergarten, school and church
- a well-stocked supermarket
- a caring and active community
- clubs and societies for all tastes
- an attractive park and lake
- lovely surrounding countryside



Hejnsvig is very central; there are many destinations within easy reach.

Esbjerg, Vejle and Kolding are just a 30-minute drive away.



Housing and business in Hejnsvig

The houses around the main street are the oldest here; the town has grown up around them.



This street is the backbone of Hejnsvig. The town square at the heart of Hejnsvig is by the crossroads where you find the hotel and Co-op.



Some of the highest and loveliest building sites in the municipality are to be found in Søgård Parken. There are still a

few vacant plots for sale here.

The business district is mainly situated about Østre Ringvej – the easterly ring road – and Østermarksvej. Here you find local firms like Fin-Form, Baytech, Fugdal carpenters, DLG, Erik Møberg the builder's, Aksel Junker's transport firm, Hejnsvig district power station and VL-Fiberglass.



Facts about the town

The hamlets of Vesterhede and Donslund are attached to Hejnsvig, with about 2.100 inhabitants in all.

Hejnsvig School has classes from pre-school to ninth grade; about 300 pupils attend the school. A new sports hall has just been built: the townspeople collected and donated 5 million Danish kroner towards the project. The kindergarten has been moved to new buildings adjoining the school. Nearby Grindsted provides further education possibilities. The municipality of Billund has a greater number of workplaces than there are inhabitants in employment.

Hejnsvig is a very social place, where the inhabitants keep up a lot of local traditions.



Hejnsvig on Top!

Hejnsvig has grown up on the top of a hill, surrounded by countryside with streams and small lakes. All the local



roads are countrified and have wound to the top over the centuries. The historical buildings are situated here: the church, the meeting hall, the hotel and the station. So 'the top' is a natural centre of the area.



The houses are built up the hillside with the church as its crowning glory.

Hejnsvig is physically 'on top of the world' in the municipality of Billund, attractively situated in the countryside. The town also regards itself as being on top of the world both socially and culturally, now and in the future.



The landscape around Hejnsvig is very varied and attractive with much to offer for nature-lovers.



Grene Sands



Tumulus



The town park and lake

Tourism

There are many various tourist attractions in the neighbourhood of Hejnsvig. The most important are



Legoland® and Lalandia in Billund, plus Givskud Zoo near Give.

More locally you will find Gyttegård Golf Club with its lovely course. 'Fun and Action' offers different activities such as an 18-hole football-golf course.

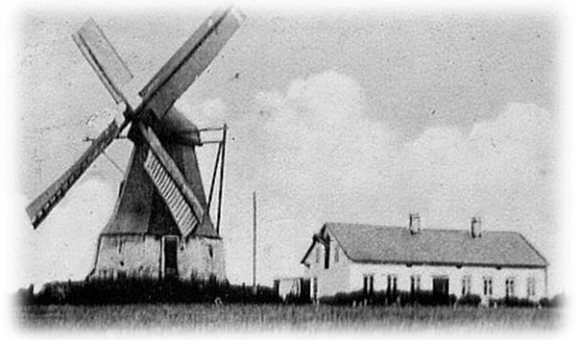
Billund Airport is just 12 kilometres away. Travellers wishing to stay overnight will find excellent possibilities for dining and sleeping.



There are good walks both in the varied countryside around Hejnsvig and on the special 'Heart Walks' in the town.

From 1850 to Now

Hejnsvig began to grow when farmers were able to fertilise the poor moorland soil with marl, and a miller built a mill here.



Even today this spot is called 'Møllebakken': Mill Hill.



A country store was opened and later, a proper grocer's. Various craftsmen set up business, for example smiths and carpenters .

In 1917 a station was opened here when the railway line between Trolldhede and Kolding was inaugurated. The new railway town expanded with more shops and various crafts and trades. The number of inhabitants in the town and its immediate surroundings exploded in the following years. This development continued, although the railway closed in 1968. Hejnsvig today is not just a small rural settlement, but a modern residential town.



The development of the town

A master plan for the future of the town was drawn up in 2011 with the local authorities working hand in hand with the inhabitants. One thing that came out of it was an awareness of the local tradition of taking up challenges and standing together.

Two of the concrete results were winning the struggle to keep the school's older classes in the town (in 2010), and later the project for collecting money for the new sports centre. The town park project is completed and the centre, which has been under way for years, is now finished. The town is on the move.

Hejnsvig's Town Committee is the official voice of the local community and speaks after gathering up all the threads. It consists of 7 – 9 members, constituting a broad representation of the inhabitants.



Building bridges between the past and the future

A cultural heritage project was launched by the municipality in 2012 with the aim of utilising our common memories of the past as the starting point for modernising local small towns and villages. This was done with aid from the state and local authority funding.

One of the results for Hejnsvig is a heightened awareness of the attractiveness of the town. Various experts and local citizens got together on town walks and at café meetings to focus on local knowledge.

These working parties with specific themes were established in 2013 and are guided and supported by the Town Committee:

- 1. The marketing of Hejnsvig's qualities**
- 2. Creating an attractive town and renovation** (including the town square and main street)
- 3. The town and countryside** (including 'Mill Hill', the highest spot).



The municipal Country Advisory Board concentrates on coordinating the interests of the local towns and villages, and facilitating communication with the authorities. Its present concern is a tourist project encouraging the spread of tourism throughout the municipality, not least in villages and rural areas. The vision is to further the development of attractive villages and rural areas with active local communities and good possibilities for people to settle here. This is part of municipal policy.

Renovating the town

The cultural heritage project lays out a plan for renovating the main street and square and planting trees.



Tree planting is also recommended along approach roads and along the skyline, accentuating the transition from town to countryside.

Hejnsvig – a good place to live

Our aim is to build a joint future; to do this, we must stand together. New projects demand dialogue so as to ensure widespread support. Everyone who wishes to participate in developing our town is welcome to join in.

Our common vision is to be an attractive rural town to live in.



There is more about Hejnsvig on the net: visit

www.hejnsvig-bynet.dk