# Welcome to Adliswil















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## **Dear residents of Adliswil**

Located just a few minutes away from Zurich, Switzerland's largest business and commercial hub, Adliswil is an attractive place to live and offers a wide range of recreational and sporting activities. A bustling town centre and a wide range of cultural activities make Adliswil a vibrant and lively town. Businesses will also find well-developed sites at attractive conditions here.

Adliswil has been enjoying a major boom in recent years. Today, it is home to around 19,000 people. New parts of town have emerged offering new opportunities and amenities. Adliswil Town Council attaches great importance to ensuring that this growth is sustainable. It provides the local population with modern infrastructure and is committed to ensuring residents are connected. For example, many public schools have been modernised in recent years and, thanks to the Zurich International School (ZIS), Adliswil is home to one of the largest international day schools in Switzerland. In addition, residents have access to a central bus and railway station to travel around the region and a modern town hall as a central point of contact for their various needs.

We aim to ensure that people feel at home in Adliswil, whatever stage they are at in their lives. A large variety of clubs and associations provides a wide range of recreational activities for children, young people and adults. The range of services for senior citizens is being expanded continuously.

Adliswil is a modern town geared towards all generations. We look forward to meeting you here.

Farid Zeroual Mayor





## **About Adliswil**

Area 778 hectares
Residents 19,660
Households 8,839
Businesses 1,013
Tax base 102 %

#### Location

Adliswil is located in the Sihl Valley within the district of Horgen, nestled between the Zimmerberg and the Albis mountain range. Bordering Zurich to the north, Adliswil is surrounded by natural landscapes to the west and south. The Sihl flows through Adliswil in a south to north direction, offering many beautiful areas for walks, outdoor sports activities and picnics. Thanks to the suburban railway (S-Bahn) and the nearby access to the motorway, Adliswil is ideally placed in terms of transport links.



## **Arriving in Adliswil**

This brochure contains all you need to know on a variety of topics as well as links to our website for additional information. If you need to contact a department directly, you will find the relevant information on pages 18 and 19.

We would also be pleased to welcome you to the Stadthaus (town hall) at Zürichstrasse 10. At the residents' services counter you can make personal inquiries or find the municipal lost property office.

## **Municipal online services**

You can also find all relevant information about living and working in Adliswil on our website. A large number of administrative procedures can be dealt with electronically. Visit adliswil.ch/willkommen for an overview of the most important information for new residents.

In addition, at *adliswil.ch/unternehmen* we have compiled information that may be of interest to new companies based in Adliswil.



## **Transportation**

#### **Pedestrians and cyclists**

The town's attractive public spaces are popular for walking. Cycling is also a part of everyday life in Adliswil. The carefully designed public spaces make cycling an attractive option in many neighbourhoods. With the implementation of the pedestrian and cycling concept, Adliswil aims to promote walking and cycling throughout the town.

#### **Private transport**

Adliswil is connected to the neighbouring municipalities via the main roads Sihltalstrasse, Zürichstrasse, Albistrasse and Kilchbergstrasse. The nearby motorway junction "Wollishofen" (A3) is located in Zurich-Wollishofen and leads to Zurich Airport, Bern, Basel and Chur. In addition to the busy main roads, various 30 km/h zones form an attractive traffic concept for all road users, thus increasing road safety and reducing noise pollution as well as transit-traffic and slow-moving traffic.

#### **Parking**

Parking in public car parks in Adliswil may be subject to charges and time restrictions. Long-term parking permits (daily, weekly or annual parking permits) can be purchased for the designated parking zones. Further information and details on how to order online can be found at: adliswil.ch/parkieren

#### S-Bahn (suburban rail)

Adliswil railway station is the town's main public transport hub. The S4 will take you to Zurich main train station in 16 minutes or to Langnau a.A and Sihlwald. The SZU (Sihltal-Zurich-Uetliberg railway) runs at 10-minute intervals during peak hours. Additional S-Bahn stations are located in Sood-Oberleimbach and Sihlau. You can find the latest timetables and information at: szu.ch

#### Local and regional buses

Local and regional bus lines depart from the bus station in the centre serving both Adliswil town areas and the surrounding municipalities.

Line 151: Adliswil – Zopf – Mittelleimbach Line 152: Adliswil – Kopfholz – Wacht Line 153\*: Adliswil – Wanneten – Büchel

Line 184: Adliswil – Grüt – Sunnau – Wollishofen Line 185: Adliswil – Kilchberg, Asp – Wollishofen Line 156: Adliswil – Rüschlikon – Thalwil, Centre

\* Normal weekly operation. Sat, Sun and public holidays: Adliswil – Wanneten – Büchel – Langnau a.A., Schwerzi-Wildpark

The timetables can be found here: online.fahrplan.zvv.ch

#### Night bus and train

On the nights from Friday to Saturday and from Saturday to Sunday, bus routes N15, N18 and night train SN4 depart from Zurich to Adliswil.





## **Safety**

#### **Emergency numbers**

Police 117
Fire brigade 118
Ambulance 144
Poisonings 145

24-hour medical 0800 33 66 55

phone

Pallifon 0844 148 148

(helpline for palliative care patients)

#### **Police**

The Adliswil-Langnau a.A. police force is responsible for maintaining public safety and order. It is on hand to deal with all matter relating to traffic, parking, administrative policing and crime prevention. Contact: adliswil.ch/polizei. The cantonal police department is responsible for criminal matters. The combined police station at Zürichstrasse 8 is shared by the Adliswil-Langnau a.A. police and the cantonal police and is the place to turn to for all your concerns regarding safety and security.

#### Fire brigade

Adliswil has an active and well-trained volunteer fire brigade. Around 60 men and women volunteers are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide assistance in emergencies. Contact: adliswil.ch/feuerwehr

#### **Civil defence**

The Zimmerberg Civil Defence Association (Zivilschutz Zimmerberg) unites the civil defence organisations in the district of Horgen and provides competent and uncomplicated support to the emergency services in the event of disasters and emergencies. For more information: zvzz.ch

#### **Permits**

Applications for permits for festivals, catering and events on public property, as well as alcohol sales permits and licences to acquire weapons, should be submitted to the Safety Department. For further information: adliswil.ch/gesuche

#### Dogs

All dogs must be micro-chipped and registered within three months of birth. The micro-chip is inserted by a vet. Register your dog on our website: adliswil.ch/hunde. You will then be sent your user data and password by post, and you can register your dog in amicus.ch, the Swiss nationwide dog database.



## **Healthcare**

#### **Doctors**

Adliswil is well served by a wide range of medical facilities. The Sihltal Medical Association can provide further information on general practitioners, specialists and emergency doctors. For further information: aerztevereinsihltal.ch

#### **Hospitals**

The See-Spital hospital is located in Horgen. Hospitals in Zurich can also be reached easily, with the nearest accident and emergency unit located at Triemli Municipal Hospital.

#### **Spitex**

Spitex (home care) provides a wide range of services that go far beyond medical care. Spitex supports and enables people of all ages to continue living in their home environment for longer; to leave hospital earlier and to manage difficult situations more easily. For further information: spitexzimmerberg.ch

## Infrastructure

#### **Electricity (EKZ)**

In Adliswil, electricity and public lighting are supplied by Elektrizitätswerke des Kantons Zürich (EKZ). Customers can have a say in the energy sources that make up their own individual electricity mix. The emergency number in the event of a disruption is 0800 359 359. Defective streetlights can be registered at melder.ekz.ch. For further information: *ekz.ch*.

#### Water (Energie 360°)

The annual drinking water consumption in Adliswil is 1.6 million cubic metres per year. The majority of the water, around 70%, is drawn from the two groundwater pumping stations at Soodmatten and Sihlweid. A further 27% stems from various proprietary sources, with the remainder being purchased as required. Energy 360° is in charge of operations. 24-hour emergency number for defective water pipes or contaminated drinking water: 0800 024 024. For further information: *energie360.ch* 

#### Waste water (ARA Sihltal)

The Sihltal water treatment plant is responsible for purifying wastewater from Adliswil, Langnau a.A. and Gattikon. The wastewater is collected in a wide-reaching sewer network and channelled to the wastewater treatment plant. For further information: *arasihltal.ch* 

#### **Energiestadt status and Environment**

Adliswil has been given Energiestadt Gold status, one of Europe's highest accolades for cities and municipalities that are committed to improving energy efficiency, promoting renewable energies and protecting the climate. For tips on how to save energy, visit: adliswil.ch/energie. For information on nature and the countryside, go to: adliswil. ch/umwelt



## **Waste collection**

#### Household waste and small bulky items

Refuse can be deposited in the designated areas using the special waste disposal bags issued by Zweckverband Entsorgung Zimmerberg (EZI). Labels can be purchased for small bulky items. The waste disposal bags can be purchased from retailers in Adliswil, and you can order bulky goods labels at *adliswil.ch/sperrgutmarken*. Refuse is collected from all districts of Adliswil on Mondays and Thursdays. Refuse may only be put out for collection by 7 am on the day of collection. Leaving refuse out overnight is not permitted.

#### Waste paper collection

Newspapers and paper (excluding cardboard and paper carrier bags) can be bundled and tied together and put out at the designated collection points before 7 am on the day of collection. Collections are made every month, irrespective of the weather. For dates and reminders, go to adliswil.ch/entsorgung

#### **Cardboard collection**

Cardboard boxes can be bundled and tied together and deposited at the designated collection points before 7 a.m. on the day of collection. Collections are made twice a month, irrespective of the weather. For dates and reminders, go to adliswil.ch/entsorgung

#### **Green waste collection**

Garden and kitchen waste is collected every Wednesday. The green waste containers must be placed at the designated refuse collection points before 7 am.

Separate collection dates are arranged for hazardous waste and old clothes.

Information on all collection dates, an electronic reminder service and a leaflet on waste disposal are available to download at adliswil.ch/entsorgung



## Waste disposal centres

#### Glass, small metal items, clothing

There are seven secondary collection points (Nebensammelstellen, NS) in the town of Adliswil where you can dispose of waste glass, small metal items and used clothing. The collection points are open from Monday to Saturday between 7 am and 12 pm and 1 pm and 7 pm.

#### Locations of secondary collection points (NS)

Centre: Albisstrasse (car park at Wachtbrücke)
ARA Sihltal: Sihlhof (near the waste water treatment plant)
Oberleimbach: Zopfstrasse (across from the school)
Tal sports field: Talstrasse at the furthest parking space
Büchel: Albisstrasse (corner of Finsterrütistrasse)
Kopfholz: Rütistrasse (corner of Obertilistrasse)
Lebern-Dietlimoos: Grütstrasse (junction of Moosstrasse)

# Adliswil waste disposal centre (Entsorgungspark Adliswil, EP)

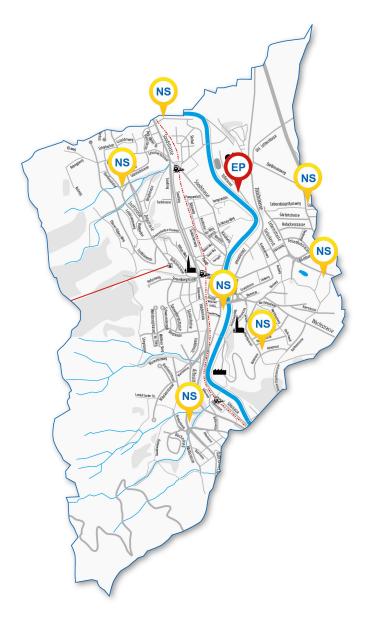
Glass, paper and cardboard, as well as household and consumer electronics and bulky items, may be disposed of at the Tüfi waste disposal centre (Tüfistrasse).

Adliswil waste disposal centre opening hours:

Monday: 1:30 – 5:00 pm Tuesday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm; 1:30 – 5:00 pm Wednesday: 1:30 – 7:00 pm Thursday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm; 1:30 – 5:00 pm Friday: 1:30 – 7:00 pm

Saturday: 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

For more information, visit: adliswil.ch/entsorgung





## **Culture and leisure**

#### **Culture in Adliswil**

Adliswil has a wide range of cultural events to offer. You will find the calendar of events at *adliswil.ch/agenda*. The Kulturschachtle association is responsible for coordinating Adliswil's cultural events programme, which includes theatre, concerts, exhibitions, readings and more. The Kulturschachtle building on the grounds of the Kronenwiese can also be booked for events. For further information: kulturschachtle.ch

#### **Library (Regionalbibliothek)**

Residents of all ages can avail themselves of the following services provided by the municipal library on Bahnhofplatz: Books, audio books, e-media via Onleihe, magazines, DVDs, online film streaming, games, board games, a coffee corner with daily newspapers, free events, a range of workstations and free internet access. For further information: adliswil.ch/bibliothek

#### **Haus Brugg**

Haus Brugg on Bahnhofplatz has been conceived as a place where people can meet. The building's different function rooms and facilities (including a kitchen) can be booked individually for training courses, meetings or cultural events. These and other public spaces and venues can be booked online using the town's reservation tool: adliswil. ch/raumreservation

#### Neighbourhood and community networks

Neighbourhood associations in Adliswil provide the opportunity to get involved, take an active role and quickly get to know other people who live in the same neighbourhood. The municipal community work centre (Fachstelle Gemeinwesenarbeit) works with local residents, other administrative departments and partners to foster a vibrant and diverse life in the town. It brings together stakehol-

ders, and promotes involvement and participation, as well as exchange. It also advises residents on how to make their own ideas a reality. For further information: adliswil. ch/quartiervereine and adliswil.ch/gemeinwesenarbeit.

#### Freizeitanlage Werd (leisure facility)

With its large playground next to the Sihl, Freizeitanlage Werd organises a wide range of courses for children, young people, senior citizens and families. The wood and ceramics workshops ("offene Werkstätten" are open to anyone who would like to try their hand at creative and technical crafts under expert guidance. For further information: *freizeitanlagewerd.ch* 

#### **Outdoor barbecue areas**

Public barbecue areas can be found at the Kopfholz reservoir, on the Sihl at Tüfi and at the Feldblume playground. A number of well-equipped playgrounds give children plenty of space to play and let off steam. For further information: adliswil.ch/grillspielplatz

#### Felsenegg cable car

Adliswil is home to the canton of Zurich's sole cable car. From Adliswil railway station, follow the well-signposted route to the bottom station (Talstation) for the cable car. It takes just five minutes by cable car to reach Felsenegg, the most scenic vantage point on the Albis range. For further information: szu.ch/de/ueber-die-szu/felseneggbahn/

#### Wilderness park in the Sihlwald forest

The Sihlwald forest is the largest mixed deciduous forest in the Swiss Mittelland region. Some 17 species of wild animals can be observed here as if they were roaming freely in the wild. The wildlife park is home to brown bears, wolves, elk and marmots. For further information: wildnispark.ch



## **Sports**

#### **Nature**

Being so close to nature and blessed with a range of different natural environments, Adliswil is the perfect location to participate in a wide range of activities. These include walking, jogging, cycling and hiking along the Sihl or uphill through the extensive forests on the Albis and Zimmerberg hills. There is a bike course for children and beginners at Kopfholzwald forest.

#### Clubs and associations

Adliswil boasts a comprehensive network of sports clubs. More than 1,000 sports enthusiasts participate in local clubs every day. As well as gyms, private operators also run a range of martial arts classes, a bouldering hall, dancing and theatre lessons, and a host of classes to promote physical health and wellbeing. You can find a list of sports clubs and operators at *adliswil.ch/vereine* 

#### Tüfi sports centre and fun park

Adliswil's largest sports centre features a three-court gymnasium with a spectator stand, a parquet hall equipped with a climbing wall, a six-lane athletics track, a multifunctional area for roller sports, a grass pitch and an artificial turf pitch. A canteen catering for up to 65 people and a meeting room for around 30 people round off the facilities. The changing rooms can be used between 12:00 and 1:15 p.m. Monday to Friday for individual training. All sports halls can be booked on adliswil.ch/mieten. Adjacent to the sports centre is a fun park featuring a pump track and skate park elements for children and teenagers. For further information: adliswil.ch/sportanlage

#### **Outdoor fitness**

Outdoor fitness equipment is available at several locations in the municipal area, where residents can exercise free of charge. The facilities by the retirement home and the sports field in the valley are aimed at older residents and people who do not engage in much physical activity. The main site at the Tüfi sports centre also offers challenging training opportunities for those who are more used to exercising. There is another site in Soodmatte. Both locations are equipped with a sports box where sports equipment is provided free of charge. For more information, go to: adliswil.ch/sport

#### Hallen- und Freibad im Tal

#### **Indoor pool**

The indoor facility includes a 25-metre swimming pool, a 1- and 3-metre diving platform, a learn-to-swim pool with a retractable floor, a children's pool complete with slide and water features, and a paddling pool for toddlers, also with water features. The indoor pools are heated to a temperature of 28 degrees, the learn-to-swim pool at 30 degrees and the children's pool at 32 degrees. A number of private partner companies provide additional services at the indoor pool. In addition, a partner company operates a gym and spa centre in the same building. The reception area features a small snack bar and shop.

#### **Outdoor pool**

The popular outdoor pool complex comprises a 25-metre pool, a lazy river, a wide slide and a fun pool. The large sunbathing area is shaded by trees and also features a children's paddling pool, a grass play area including an adventure playground and a beach volleyball court. The restaurant at the open-air pool serves refreshments, food and beverages in the heart of the attractive open-air pool complex.

The opening times of the indoor and outdoor pools, as well as timetables and classes, can be found here: adliswil.ch/bad



## Childcare and education

#### Childcare and early education

Adliswil has a wide range of options available for children from three months to pre-school age. The municipal children's day nursery (Kinderhaus Werd), private day nurseries, childminders (arranged by the GFZ foundation), playgroups (some with language support) and other services make it possible to provide care that is tailored to each individual situation. Childcare vouchers (Betreuungsgutscheine) can be applied for to cover the cost of attending day nurseries or childminders in Adliswil. For further information: adliswil.ch/betreuungsgutscheine and adliswil.ch/kindervorschulalter

#### **Kindergarten (pre-school)**

The two-year kindergarten programme constitutes the entry level of the Zurich public school system. In the second year, children are prepared for their transition to primary school. Parents will automatically receive enrolment forms for kindergarten.

#### Primary and secondary school

Primary school follows on from kindergarten and runs for six years. There are six primary schools in Adliswil: Kopfholz, Sonnenberg, Wilacker, Zopf, Werd and Dietlimoos. After primary school, pupils move on to secondary school, which they attend for three years. Secondary schools are located at Hofern and Zentrum Kronenwiese. For information on local schools, visit: *schuleadliswil.ch* 

#### After-school care programme

From kindergarten onwards, schools provide a professional range of after-school care. Each of the six primary schools offers a programme.

#### **School administration**

The school administration office is the first point of contact for all matters relating to schools in Adliswil and how they are run. For further information: adliswil.ch/bildung

#### **Counselling services**

The Department of Education provides advice on a range of topics. Consultorio is a support centre for non-German-speaking students and their parents. A team of social workers supports children and young people who are experiencing difficulties of a personal or social nature. School psychologists provide support in the event of any problems that arise in connection with school.

#### **Promotion and therapy**

Schools provide integrated support for children and young people with special educational needs. The following services provide support: The "PfiffikA" programme provides children with exceptional abilities with additional educational opportunities within small groups. Speech therapy provides support for those experiencing difficulties with language or in expressing themselves verbally or in writing. Psychomotor therapy is aimed at children and young people experiencing behavioural issues or difficulties with their physical mobility.

#### **Music lessons**

Around 45 highly trained, dedicated music teachers provide professional music lessons and most of them are also active concert performers. Continuous professional development ensures that teaching is based on the latest research. Lessons are held in the attractive new music centre. For further information: adliswil.ch/musikschule

#### **School sports**

A wide range of voluntary school sports programmes are organised across a variety of disciplines. You will find the relevant programmes here: freiwilligerschulsport.ch/adliswil



## **Adolescents**

#### Youth work centre

The Youth Work Unit is committed to making the town a child- and youth-friendly environment. The centre is responsible for organising youth clubs, mobile youth work, projects, events for young people, arranging babysitting and easily accessible counselling and coaching. It encourages teenagers and young adults between the ages of 12 and 20 to develop their own ideas and organise their free time. It provides assistance with a wide range of issues. For more information, go to: adliswil.ch/jugendarbeit

# SAJ Stiftung für die Adliswiler Jugend (Adliswil Youth Foundation)

The Stiftung für die Adliswiler Jugend (Adliswil Youth Foundation) supports young people from Adliswil between the ages of 16 and 30 who lack the financial means to achieve their goals. Financial assistance is provided to support education and training or in the event of personal hardship. For further information: *stiftungadliswilerjugend.ch* 

## **Private schools**

#### **Zurich International School**

Zurich International School (ZIS) teaches international curricula and English-language teaching for children aged between 2 and 18. In Adliswil, the senior school (14–18 years) and the middle school (11–14 years) are located in Dietlimoos. Other locations include Kilchberg and Wädenswil. For further information: *zis.ch* 

#### **Rudolf Steiner School**

The Rudolf Steiner School in Sihlau is a state-recognised educational establishment that follows the educational principles developed by Rudolf Steiner. For further information: *steinerschule.ch* 

#### **Montessori House of Kids**

The House of Kids in Grüt caters for children aged from 6 months up to and including kindergarten, based on the educational concept devised by Maria Montessori. For further information: *houseofkids.ch* 



## **Community**

#### **Volunteering**

The Koordinationsstelle Freiwilligenarbeit (volunteer coordination centre) is the information hub and point of contact for queries and concerns regarding volunteering. It also places volunteers and organises volunteer work. For further information: adliswil.ch/freiwilligenarbeit

#### **Inclusion**

Adliswil is home to over 100 nationalities. Living together in harmony requires that residents from other cultures have opportunities to exchange ideas and information, while also contributing to the community themselves. Successful social integration goes a long way towards preventing misunderstandings and problems. Adliswil offers a wide range of opportunities to promote such inclusion. For further information: adliswil.ch/integration

#### Social assistance

If you have any queries about social issues of a personal, financial or family nature, Adliswil's social counselling service would be glad to advise and support you. It provides financial and personal support, or refers people to the right place. It also manages wages and pensions in certain cases. The social counselling service is also where you can pick up your Kulturlegi. For further information, go to: adliswil.ch/sozialberatung

#### Long-term support to help people cope with life

If you require long-term help to cope with life and are unable to organise this on your own, you can apply for support from the Child and Adult Protection Authority (Kindesund Erwachsenenschutzbehörde, KESB) in the district of Horgen. For further information, visit: *kesbhorgen.ch* 

#### **Education and child development counselling**

The Children and Youth Services Centre (Kinder- und Jugendhilfezentrum, KJZ) is responsible for providing advice on educational and developmental issues, as well as for child protection. For further information, visit: *ajb.zh.ch* 

#### Substance abuse counselling

The substance abuse counselling centre run by Zweckverband Soziales Netz Horgen offers counselling on all types of addiction and dependency. For further information, visit: snh-zv.ch



## **Senior citizens**

#### Beratungsstelle 60+ (advisory center)

The advisory centre for the over-60s provides support and advice on all issues that may arise as people grow older, and can also put them in touch with the right people when needed. The aim is to enable people to become more independent so that they can achieve the best possible quality of life within their own particular circumstances. Relatives are also welcome to contact the advisory centre for the over-60s to discuss their concerns. Consultations are free of charge and confidential. For further information, visit: adliswil.ch/60plus

#### Calendar of events for 60+

The calendar of events for the over-60s is published quarterly and contains information about social, sporting, cultural, educational and other events. It is also available online: adliswil.ch/veranstaltungskalender60plus

## AHV-Zweigstelle / supplementary benefits to AHV/IV

The AHV-Zweigstelle in Adliswil provides information and advice on all matters relating to old-age and surviving dependents' insurance. Where a person's financial circumstances are limited, the entitlement to additional benefits to existing old-age or disability pensions is assessed and disbursed. The supplementary benefits office is also there to advise people on issues relating to the financing of their living costs in old age. It is also responsible for assessing claims and paying out temporary benefits to older unemployed people (aged 60 and over). For further information, visit: adliswil.ch/sozialeaufgaben

#### Accommodation for the elderly

There are several residential complexes for senior citizens in Adliswil, which are operated by the non-profit organisations Sihlsana AG and SABA. Further information on the residential complexes and how to register can be found at: adliswil.ch/wohnenimalter

#### Inpatient care and support

The residential and long-term care centres run by Sihlsana AG offer a wide range of residential options for senior citizens. The non-profit limited company Sihlsana AG owns the Adliswil nursing and residential home and the Mauersegler, Wolf Haus, Tal and Soodmatte residential care facilities. For further information, visit: sihlsana.ch

The Im Ris nursing and care home also has an attractive range of inpatient care and support services. For further information, go to: *imris.ch* 

#### **Pro Senectute Canton of Zurich**

Pro Senectute Canton Zurich is represented by a local branch in Adliswil and organises a wide range of activities and opportunities for people to meet: pszh.ch/ortsvertretung/adliswil

#### **Spitex Zimmerberg**

Spitex is a home care and home help organisation. Meal delivery and medical equipment also form part of the range of services provided by Spitex. For further information, go to: spitexzimmerberg.ch



## **Economics**

#### A mix of businesses

The town of Adliswil is home to over a thousand businesses, covering a wide range of sectors and sizes. Most of the larger companies based here are located in the Sood district. A vibrant mix of skilled trades and services has emerged in the industrial area of MSA, the former silk weaving mill to the south of Adliswil. The town centre boasts a variety of restaurants and specialist independent retailers. Go to adliswil.ch/gewerbe for an overview of what is available.

#### Weekly market

A weekly market is held on Bahnhofplatz every Thursday. From March to December, market traders sell a wide range of fresh food and plants between 7 a.m. and 12 noon. You can find more information on what is on offer here: adliswilerwochenmarkt.ch

#### **Trade association**

Adliswil Trade and Industry Association (Handwerk und Gewerbeverein Adliswil, HGVA) represents the interests of business owners (e.g. skilled trades, services, industry, etc.). Among other things, the association is committed to promoting Adliswil and its local businesses and products, under the motto of "Lueg zerscht z'Adliswil" ("look at Adliswil first"). You will find more information about the trade association at hgvadliswil.ch.

#### **Zurich Park Side**

The Zimmerberg-Sihltal business development agency is the point of contact for inter-municipal matters and can put you in touch with the right people in the district, for example on such issues as commercial space, plots of land or company start-ups and project ideas. The agency also organises events, manages a pan-regional cultural agenda and provides tips on nature. For further information, go to: <code>zurichparkside.ch</code>

## **Politics**

#### **Grosser Gemeinderat (Parliament)**

Adliswil has had a communal parliament since 1974. The district council is the town's legislative body. It comprises 36 members and is elected by popular vote every four years. The district council convenes about ten times a year, and its meetings are open to the public. For information on members, resolutions and parties, visit: adliswil.ch/gemeinderat

#### **Stadtrat (Town council)**

The town council is the executive body and, like the district council, is elected by popular vote every four years. The town council comprises seven members, who are in charge of the following departments: Contact with local residents, finances, construction and planning, public utilities, safety/health/sport, social affairs and education. For information on members and resolutions, go to: adliswil. ch/stadtrat

#### **Schools committee**

The schools committee is the supervisory authority for Adliswil's public schools and is responsible for running the schools and school policy. Its seven members are elected by popular vote. It is chaired by the head of the department of education (who is also a member of the town council).

#### **Building committee**

The building committee is responsible for planning permission procedures and the preservation of historical monuments. It also submits planning and civil engineering projects to the town council, as well as measures for the protection of nature and local heritage.

#### Social affairs committee

The social affairs committee is responsible for providing personal and financial assistance in accordance with the Social Welfare Act. It is also responsible for the supervision and licensing of day nurseries in Adliswil. It also determines advances on child support payments.





## **Elections and referendums History**

The elections office is responsible for organising elections and votes. An average of four referendums are held each year. Elections are held to elect the members of the national parliament, the government council and cantonal parliament, the town council and the district council, among others. In addition, eligible voters in Adliswil elect the members of the schools committee, representatives of the church communities (depending on the denomination) and the local magistrate. For further information, go to: adliswil.ch/abstimmungen

## Religious communities

The following religious communities are represented in Adliswil and play an active role in the community in a variety of ways:

Evangelical Reformed Church Sihltal refsihltal.ch

Roman Catholic Church kathadliswil.ch

United Methodist Church emk-adliswil.ch

Chrischona Church chrischona-adliswil.ch

Sri Sivasubramaniar temple *murugantemplezh.ch* 

The area where the town of Adliswil is now located was settled around 700 BCE. The place name is derived from an Alemannic settler named "Adalot who established a farm here in the 4th century. The coat of arms – an eagle above and a half-mill wheel below – harks back to a mill that was documented in 1248. The eagle symbolises the "Gasthof zum Adler" inn, where meetings were held from the 16th century onwards.

Most of the families living in Adliswil were farmers up until the 19th century. Its development began in 1839 with the construction of the Albisstrasse road to Zurich. A further boost came from the Sihltalbahn railway, which opened in 1892. Alongside two spinning mills, the mechanical silk fabric weaving mill in Adliswil (MSA) also had its machines powered by water from the Sihl. MSA went on to become one of the largest weaving mills in Switzerland. With industrialisation came a population boom – Adliswil's inhabitants increased to over 5,300.

The textile industry collapsed during the economic crisis of the 1930s. From 1942 to 1945, the second largest internment camp in Switzerland was established on the site of the now-defunct MSA. German Jews in particular, who had previously found refuge in southern France, escaped to Switzerland. The transit camp could accommodate around 500 people.

After World War II, Adliswil began to develop into a town. Thanks to its proximity to Zurich, its scenic attractions and good transport links, Adliswil's population grew to 16,500 in the 1980s. Construction work in the outer districts of Albishang (Wilacker and Breite) and Adliswil Nord (Dietlimoos, Lebern, Grüt) began in 2010. The population of Adliswil numbered 19'660 in 2023.



## **Administration and contacts**

The city hall (Stadthaus) is located in the centre of Adliswil at Zürichstrasse 10. The administration is divided into seven departments, which are in turn subdivided into a number of units.

#### **Opening hours city hall**

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## Opening hours police

Monday	8:00 - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Friday	8:00 - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 5:00 pm

#### **Important numbers**

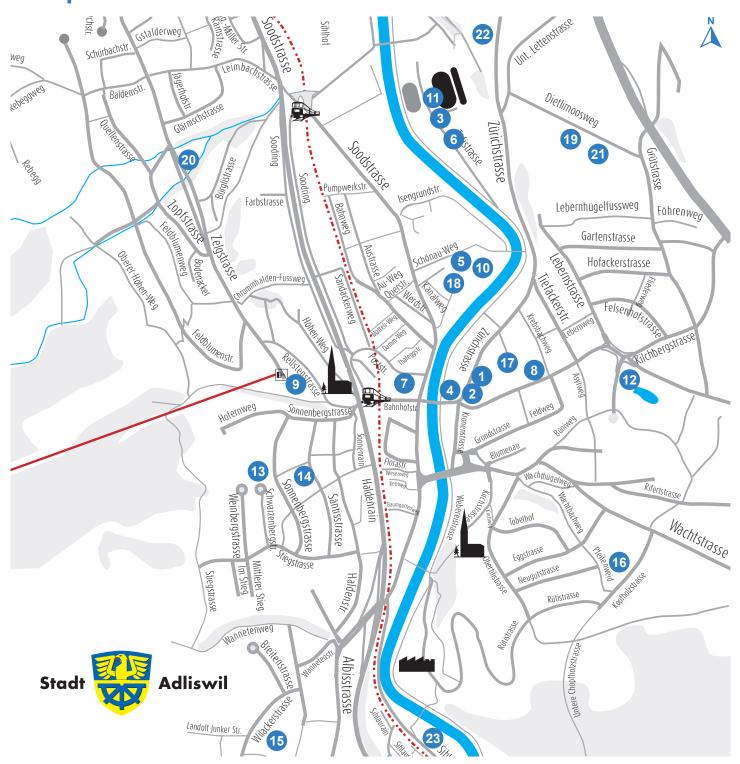
City hall main number: 044 711 77 11

Police 117
Fire brigade 118
Ambulance 144
Poisonings 145

Department	Services	Contact
Altersfragen (agency for the elderly)	Counselling and arrangement of offers for senior citizens	Zürichstrasse 10 altersfragen@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 38
Betreibungs- und Stadtammannamt Sihltal (dept enforcement office)	Extracts from the debt collection register, official verifications	Zürichstrasse 10 betreibungsamt@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 82
Regionalbibliothek (library)	Loan items, media offers, events, renting Haus Brugg	Bahnhofplatz 5 bibliothek@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 88
Einwohnerwesen (registration office)	All registration matters, address information, extracts and certificates, lost property office	Zürichstrasse 10 einwohnerwesen@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 11
Familienergänzende Angebote (family-complementing offers)	Municipal and private childcare in preschool age, childcare vouchers	Zürichstrasse 10 soziales@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 95
Forst (forestry)	Advice regarding nature & landscape, sale of firewood	Rossweg 21 forst@adliswil.ch 044 711 79 60
Freizeitanlage Werd (leisure facility)	Recreational programmes for children and adults	Schönauweg 8 kontakt@freizeitanlage-werd.ch

Department	Services	Contact
Friedensrichter (Magistrate's office)	Mediation in civil disputes	Zürichstrasse 10 friedensrichter@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 36
Gesundheit, Umwelt (health and environment)	Food inspection, health and environmental protection, Spitex	Zürichstrasse 10 gesundheit@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 94
Hochbau (Structural engineering	Building advice, building permits, building inspection, fire authority	Zürichstrasse 10 bau.planung@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 77
Jugend und Gemeinwesen (Youth and community)	Recreational activities and coaching for young people, outreach work, arranging part-time jobs, neighbourhood work	Zürichstrasse 3 peppermind@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 57
Kinderhaus Werd	Municipal day nursery for babies and toddlers	Schönauweg 6 kinderhauswerd@adliswil.ch 044 771 20 02
Liegenschaften (property)	Managing municipal buildings, public constructions projects	Zürichstrasse 10 liegenschaften@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 55
Musikschule (music school)	Instrumental & singing lessons	Zürichstrasse 10 musikschule@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 68
Planung Werke (utilities)	Roadworks, works management, transport, noise protection, energy, family gardens	Zürichstrasse 10 planung.werke@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 74
Polizei Adliswil-Langnau a.A. (Police)	Parking, dog licences, advice and prevention, community policing, weekly market (station shared with the cantonal police)	Zürichstrasse 8 stadtpolizei@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 11
Schulverwaltung (School administration)	Enrolment in school and childcare, school medical service, absences	Zürichstrasse 10 schule@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 60
Schulunterstützung (Special education)	School psychology service, speech therapy, psychomotor therapy, psychotherapy, school social work	Zürichstrasse 10 schulunterstuetzung@adliswil.ch 044 711 79 25
Sicherheit (Safety)	Administrative permits, restaurant permits, major events, fire brigade, gunnery, civil protection	Zürichstrasse 10 sicherheit@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 01
Sozialberatung (social counselling)	Social welfare, wage & pension administration, personal assistance in difficult life situations	Zürichstrasse 10 sozialberatung@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 48
Soziale Aufgaben (social services)	Extended benefits, AHV Zweigstelle, individual premium reduction, alimony advance, care financing	Zürichstrasse 10 soziales@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 95
Sport, Sportanlagen (sport and facilities)	Indoor & outdoor swimming pool, sports facilities & layouts, club bus, sports support	Zürichstrasse 10 sport@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 02
Stadtplanung (city planning)	Urban planning, land use planning, consultation procedures, preservation of historical monuments	Zürichstrasse 10 bau.planung@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 77
Steuern (Taxes)	Tax declarations	Zürichstrasse 10 steuern@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 65
Werkdienste (road maintenance and parcs)	Maintenance of roads and street lighting, gritting and snow clearance, waste and recycling, cemetery, parks, playgrounds	Kanalweg 8 werkdienste@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 78
Zentrale Dienste (Central services)	Elections office, cultural events, flea market, contact details for clubs and associations	Zürichstrasse 10 adliswil@adliswil.ch 044 711 78 56
Zivilstandswesen (Civil registry)	Weddings, naturalisations, births, acknowledgement of paternity, deaths	Zürichstrasse 10 zivilstandsamtsihltal@adliswil.ch 044 711 77 93

## **Ortsplan**



#### **Administration**

- 1 City hall (Stadthaus)
  - Registration services, taxes, dept enforcement office, Magistrate's office, construction and planning, social affairs, school administration, sports and health
- 2 Adliswil-Langnau a.A. police + cantonal police
- 3 Fire Brigade Depot
- 4 Youth club
- 5 Kinderhaus Werd
- 6 Waste disposal site

#### **Sports & Leisure**

- 7 Library and Haus Brugg
- 8 Kulturschachtle
- 9 Felsenegg base station
- 10 Werd leisure facility
- 11 Tüfi sports facility
- 12 Indoor & outdoor swimming pool

#### **Schools**

- 13 Hofern
- 14 Sonnenberg
- 15 Wilacker
- 16 Kopfholz
- 17 Zentrum Kronenwiese
- 18 Werd
- 19 Dietlimoos
- 20 Zopf
- 21 Zurich International School
- 22 Montessori House of Kids
- 23 Rudolf Steiner Schule