



# Walsall Area Partnerships

## North Walsall – Birchills/Leamore, Blakenall, Bloxwich East and Bloxwich West

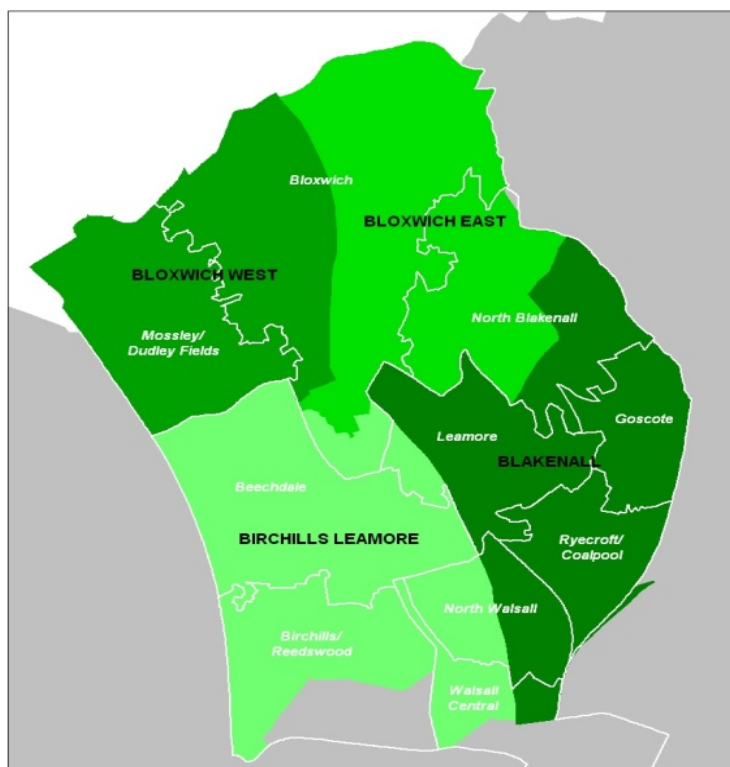
### Summary Profile

In March 2014 Walsall Intelligence Network updated all the area profiles.

The following is a snapshot of the latest data put together for North Walsall.  
The full profile can be read here:

<http://www.walsallintelligence.org.uk/themedpages-walsall/appprofiles2015>

### Demographics



- Population of approx 54000 (21,871 households)
- Relatively young population profile (0-19 years, 28% (26% Walsall average), with a lower than borough average proportion of over 50s)
- High proportion of socially rented housing and low owner occupation
- Above average proportion of lone parents (3.2%)(Walsall average 1.9%) and older people (65+) living alone, 13.1% (Walsall average 12.8%)

- Majority of residents (80%) experiencing extreme multiple deprivation\*  
(\*Based on 7 domains – Income deprivation, employment deprivation, health deprivation and disability, education, skills and training deprivation, barriers to housing and services, crime and finally living environment) with many neighbourhoods amongst the worst 20% in country
- Higher than average proportions of more deprived social groups, including low income families and elderly people reliant on state support



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For all health data nine communities have been identified within North Walsall. They are Beechdale, Birchills/Reedwood, Bloxwich, Goscote, Leamore, Mossley/Dudley Fields, North Blakenall, North Walsall and Ryecroft/Coalpool.

Within North Walsall there are 7 dentists, 17 GP surgeries, 4 opticians and 14 pharmacies. There are no dentists within Birchills/Reedwood, Goscote, Mossley/Dudley Fields, North Walsall and Ryecroft/Coalpool. There is no GP surgery in Goscote, Mossley/Dudley Fields, Ryecroft/Coalpool. No pharmacies in the Goscote area. (Data from 2012)

## Life Expectancy

- Average life expectancy (LE) for females in Walsall is 82.7 years
- All wards within North Walsall have significantly lower life expectancy for females than the borough average (78.88 to 81.99), with the exception of Bloxwich West (83.2 yrs)
- Average life expectancy (LE) for males in Walsall is 77.8 years
- All wards within Walsall North have significantly lower male LE than the borough average (73.98 to 77.02)

## Obesity

- Across North Walsall the proportion of obesity in Reception (aged 4/5), Year 4 & 6 (aged from 8 to 11) children are statistically significantly higher than the Walsall average since 2011/12. Statistics show that obesity gets progressively worse towards Year 6 where the Walsall average is approximately 22% whereas North Walsall ranges from 40-45% across three years from 2011 to 2014. An active and healthy lifestyle should be encouraged.

## Smoking

- Smoking prevalence is slightly higher within Bloxwich, Leamore, Mossley/Dudley Fields, North Blakenall and North Walsall than the Walsall average (26.2%). However, service access rates for accessing stop smoking services is higher than the Walsall average in Beechdale, Leamore and North Walsall (health profile data 2012).

## Health prevalence per area

### Beechdale

Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14

% births to teenagers (13-17) in 2010/11-2013/14

Emergency admissions unintentional/deliberate injuries to children 0-4 2011/12-2013/14

Admissions to hospital for falls aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14

Hip fracture hospital admissions aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14



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Alcohol admissions rate in Walsall 2011-14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012

## **Birchills/Reedswood**

Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14  
Infant mortality 2010-2014  
Breastfeeding 2011/12-2013/14  
Admissions to hospital for falls aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Hip fracture hospital admissions aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Mental illness prevalence 2013-14

## **Bloxwich**

Admissions to hospital for falls aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Hip fracture hospital admissions aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Mental illness prevalence 2013-14  
Cancer prevalence 2013-14  
Health check uptake 40-74 years 2013-14  
Alcohol admissions rate in Walsall 2011-14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012

## **Goscote**

Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14

## **Leamore**

Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14  
Infant mortality 2010-2014  
Admissions to hospital for falls aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Hip fracture hospital admissions aged 65+ 2011/12-2013/14  
Alcohol admissions rate in Walsall 2011-14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012  
Coronary heart disease prevalence 2013-14

## **Mossley/Dudley Fields**

% Births to teenagers (13-17) in 2010/11-2013/14  
Diabetes prevalence 2013-14  
Depression prevalence 2013-14  
Health check uptake 40-74 years 2013-14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012

## **North Blakenall**

Perinatal mortality 2010-2014  
Infant mortality 2010-2014  
Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012  
Depression prevalence 2013-14  
% Births to teenagers (13-17) in 2010/11-2013/14  
Dementia prevalence 2013-14  
Mental illness prevalence 2013-14



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Health check uptake 40-74 years 2013-14  
Learning disabilities prevalence 2013-14

## **North Walsall**

Infant mortality 2010-2014  
Low birth weight % in 2009/10-2013/14  
Perinatal mortality 2010-14  
Breastfeeding 2011/12-2013/14  
Depression prevalence 2013-14  
Alcohol admissions rate in Walsall 2011-14  
Respiratory mortality 2010-2012

## **Ryecroft/Coalpool**

Infant mortality 2010-2014  
% Births to teenagers (13-17) in 2010/11-2013/14

## **Community Safety**

- Of the six Area Partnerships, North Walsall has the second highest Total Recorded Crime with 23% of all offenses in the borough committed here. There are over 8 more crimes committed per 1,000 residents than in Walsall overall (70.71 in North Walsall compared to 62.06 in Walsall).
- Crime across the borough has seen a slight increase of 7.6% comparing January 2013-December 2013 against the period of January 2014 – December 2014. This was an increase of 1,205 victims of crime.
- North Walsall contains two Police Priority Areas, areas of high demand on police resources, Bloxwich and Birchills.
- Vehicle Crime, Criminal Damage (notably to vehicles) and Burglary are particular issues
- Residents consider speeding, inconsiderate parking and teenagers hanging around their main concerns (From the Feeling the Difference Survey Wave 36).
- High levels of arson incidents, particularly involving refuse and grassland fires.



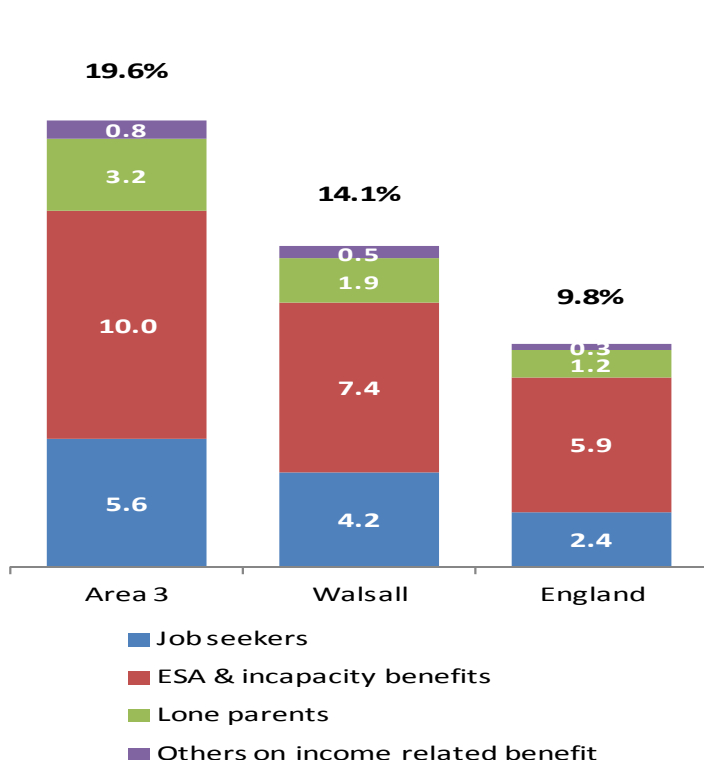
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## Businesses

The Area has a much lower density of businesses per resident (33 per 1000 residents) than the borough (46 per 1000 residents) and national average (68 per 1000 residents).

The main companies include Homeserve Plc, South Staffordshire Plc (Utilities) and S Macneillie & Sons Ltd (Manufacturing)

## Unemployment and benefits



- 1 in 5 adults (6,570) dependent on an out-of work benefit.

- Much higher than borough and national average levels of out of work benefit dependency

- Largest group are those on employment support allowance/incapacity benefit: 3,355 people, or 1 in 10 adults.

- 4.3% of 16-64 year old on JSA. (Walsall Average 3.1%, England 1.9%)

## Skills

- Adult literacy, numeracy and ICT skills much lower than borough average plus high number of adults with no formal qualifications.
- Almost 1 in 4 adults have literacy skills below GCSE level.
- Almost 2 in 3 adults have numeracy skills below GCSE level.
- Over 1 in 3 working age residents (approx 11,400 people) have no formal qualifications