

Case Study 1 New Affordable Housing in Quorn

The Scenario

- Quorn is an attractive village of 5,000 people with some of the highest house prices in Charnwood.
- The Borough-wide Housing Needs Survey identified a high level of concealed households in the area.
- A Village Housing Need Survey, conducted by the Leicestershire Rural Housing Enabler and sponsored by the Borough and Parish Councils, confirms that need in detail.
- There are few existing affordable homes in Quorn.
- There is little land available for development and land values in the village are very high.

How the partnership is moving forward

An informal partnership has developed between the Council, Quorn Parish Council and East Midlands Housing Association (EMHA) with the aim of providing more affordable homes in Quorn. The partnership also involves Leicestershire County Council and Leicestershire Rural Housing Association.

A potential site for 8 houses and 4 flats has been identified. It is owned by the County Council but earmarked for structural landscaping in the Local Plan. Plans Committee is being asked to agree a departure from the Local Plan for affordable housing only. The County Council is willing to sell the site at a price well below the value of unencumbered development land. The Council is contributing 'Enabling Grant' and EMHA is drawing on internal resources to fund the scheme. It is also expected to attract funds from the Housing Corporation.

EMHA has produced plans for the site and these have been presented to local people at a public exhibition organised by the Parish Council. Once completed, Leicestershire Rural Housing Association will manage the scheme on EMHA's behalf. There will be a local lettings policy which will give preference to applicants with Quorn connections or a need to live in the village.

Case Study 2 Warwick Way Estate

The Scenario

- The Warwick Way Estate comprises 155 two-storey houses and 24 low-rise flats, located in the northern suburbs of Loughborough. Major roads bound the estate on the western and northern sides. To the south of the estate is inter-war mixed residential development, including a small caravan park. A larger caravan park is surrounded on three sides by the estate. To the north are more modern residential estates. A 'sense of imprisonment' characterises the estate.
- The estate is designed on "Radburn" principles which seek to separate pedestrian and vehicular movement. However, some of the alleys were closed off and as a consequence there are no clear routes through the northern part of the estate. The main access to housing courts is through a back land area lacking any sense of place and vulnerable to fly tipping and other anti-social behaviour.
- The estate has one of the highest turnovers of tenants in the borough; with properties being extremely difficult to let.
- Large pockets of deprivation exist on the estate. Unemployment is high and there are many single parent families, above average levels of benefit dependency and a high child density.
- There is no obvious community focal point, such as a community centre and there are no shops or schools on the estate.
- Data analysis revealed disproportionately high levels of criminal damage to council properties.
- Consultation exercises with the community revealed significant under reporting of anti-social behaviour issues due to witness fear and intimidation.

How the partnership is moving forward

A multi agency group was formed, made up of practitioners from the CDRP member agents. Their role was to adopt an holistic approach, taking account of *prevention, enforcement and rehabilitation*, to deliver a sustainable solution to the issues affecting the estate.

The multi-agency group consists of Charnwood The Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator, Housing Manager, Cleansing Manager, Tenancy Participation Officer and Community Safety Officer; the local Police Commander; local Beat Officer; Crime Prevention Officer; Ward Councillor; Community Development Co-ordinator and Primary Care Trust representative.

An enforcement drive was considered an urgent requirement to bring immediate relief to local residents and to improve public confidence in the authority's ability to respond. However, witness fear and intimidation was a major stumbling block to effective intervention. Significant time and effort was spent liaising with the local community establishing witness support teams across the estate, empowering individuals to make a stand. The Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator worked closely with the Police and Housing teams to enforce tenancy conditions; evicting key perpetrators of anti-social behaviour and obtaining emergency injunctions and anti-social behaviour orders, to protect witnesses until other proceedings were complete. This enforcement work culminated in a successful group ASBO application, against 8 key individuals. In the six months following the introduction of these orders, incident reporting had dropped by 88% and crime by 45 %.

Progress was being made and public confidence was growing. 'Neighbourhood Learning' funding had been secured to employ a community engagement worker and it is hoped that additional funding will be identified to continue this valuable work.

An urban Master Plan was commissioned to provide a 'liveability' dimension to the partnership working. It depicted the physical changes required within the estate to create special public spaces that encourage positive interaction and a sense of pride. It also looked at ways of minimising crime, fly tipping and ways of incorporating constructive play spaces for the young people. Mainstream funding within 'Housing' was directed towards the recommendations made in the master plan and further consideration is being given to other emerging initiatives.

Work continues in the area with additional initiatives having been identified, which support the Charnwood Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy. Further consultation with residents and stakeholders is under way in consideration of other community needs. In addition Funding has also been secured to employ a community engagement officer who will provide support in linking relevant individuals and agencies together.

Case Study 3

Leicestershire Safe at Home Scheme - Handy Van

The Scenario

The Handy Van scheme operates in Charnwood, Hinckley and Bosworth and North West Leicestershire. The primary objective of the scheme is to make older people's homes more safe and secure, thus reducing the risk of burglary and providing peace of mind.

How the partnership is moving forward

Working jointly with Care & Repair (West Leicestershire Ltd), Help the Aged, North West Leicester District Council and Hinckley & Bosworth District Council, a Handy Van scheme was introduced in 2004 to provide home security measures to all over 60's.

The scheme, which has been financed through the Charnwood Community Safety Partnership, is now administered by Care and Repair and has provided improvements for 171 residents in its first year of operation.

Case Study 4 Student Accommodation Accreditation Scheme

The Scenario

Loughborough has a large and growing student population many of whom choose to live off campus in private rented accommodation. There are approximately 1000 shared houses let to students mainly in one area of Loughborough. Historically this was in areas of cheaper housing where the quality of the housing was low. In an effort to drive up standards and introduce competition amongst housing providers a Student Housing Accreditation Scheme was launched.

How the partnership is moving forward

In co-operation with Loughborough University Accommodation Services and in consultation with Leicestershire Constabulary and Leicestershire Fire & Rescue Service, an accreditation scheme has been set up to monitor and secure standards in the growing number of houses let to students.

As a prerequisite of using the University letting services all houses offered must be accredited and there are now 258 on the scheme. Membership requires not only that the property be fit and in good repair but also that it is suitably equipped and of sufficient size to meet the needs of tenants. Houses are also required meet a higher level of fire safety than is Statutorily required.

In order to progress the scheme – making it more appealing to students – and in line with the coming changes in legislation, a ‘two tier’ inspection procedure will be adopted in the future. Firstly a local authority fitness inspection under the Housing Health and Safety Rating System and HMO legislation will be carried out, followed by a further visit from Accommodation Services – concentrating on improved standards in the facilities/ furnishings etc. provided for students.

Case Study 5 Responding to Disability

Scenario

Due to the ageing profile of council owned homes most homes will require some form of improvement/adaptation to accommodate wheelchair users. Where stock has been adapted, the Council has developed a database and matching service to meet the needs of individuals and make best use of its stock, however, due to individual needs suitable properties cannot always be found. To address this issue the Council also use its own Enabling Grant to assist with funding of building projects. This is particularly useful where an individual has specific needs and may benefit from purpose built accommodation.

How the partnership is moving forward

The Council has been assisting a tenant with a medical condition which affects their mobility and causes considerable weight gain. The tenant and their family currently live in a three bedroom semi-detached house. The property is unsuitable to adapt to meet the family’s long-term needs and no other suitable property has been found.

A suitable development opportunity arose utilising a former council-owned garage site, which had become derelict and subject to fly tipping. The Council agreed to transfer the site to a RSL at nil costs to facilitate the development of seven bungalows. Following negotiations with a RSL the Council agreed to transfer the site at nil cost and provide an Enabling Grant of £360,000 to assist in a revised development of six bungalows, including a larger wheelchair friendly bungalow for the tenant.

A number of planning meetings between the various agencies have been held to discuss the specific requirements of the tenant. Planning Permission was granted in 2004 and a completion date has been set for November 2005.

Case Study 6 Homelessness Grant Funding

The Scenario

The Council has a duty to provide assistance to people who are homeless or threatened with homelessness within the Borough. The Council must continually work to reduce and prevent homelessness within the Borough and improve the services available to those who are homeless. The Council and its partners produced a Homelessness Strategy in July 2003 to tackle the causes of homelessness within the Borough.

How the partnership is moving forward

There has been close collaboration between the Council and its partners, The Charnwood Shelter Project, Loughborough Women's Aid and Loughborough Nightstop (CIYA), in reducing the use of Bed & Breakfast accommodation for families with children, sustaining the reduction in rough sleeping and implementing the Council's Homelessness Strategy.

The Council and its partners have been successful in securing ODPM Homelessness Grant Funding totalling £74,000 for the financial year 2005/6 to promote new and innovative services to tackle homelessness more effectively.

On a local level the Homelessness Grant Allocation has seen the introduction of four projects to assist in the implementation of Charnwood's Homelessness Strategy. The Charnwood Shelter Project manages three of the four projects:

- Specialist Resettlement Worker to provide intensive support to help young people who have been excluded from accessing social housing;
- Mediation Worker to assist individuals, particularly young people, to resolve family issues and prevent homelessness; and
- Family Support Worker to provide additional resettlement and tenancy support services for vulnerable families.
- Loughborough Women's Aid provides a Domestic Violence Outreach Worker to provide information and support to women and men who are, or have experienced domestic violence.

The four projects will continue to play an important role in working towards the Governments aims and in delivering locally agreed positive outcomes, the results of which are now being seen through reductions in homeless acceptances. The Council and its partners will continue to invest in homeless prevention and improve housing supply to enable more people to be helped before they become homeless and sustain reductions in homelessness acceptances in the longer term.

Case Study 7 Homeless Prevention & Support Services

Charnwood Shelter Project is an umbrella charity which works with homeless and vulnerably housed people. There are several services offered: Bridge Housing Advice Centre, Supported Tenancy and Resettlement Service, Education in schools, Mediation for young people and their families, and an annual Christmas Shelter.

Mediation Service:

- Aims to reduce young people becoming homeless through family breakdown, which can lead to the young person leaving home in a crisis or unplanned way.

The Mediation Service has worked with prevention officers in the housing needs department to develop and improve the referral of young people who present as homeless to the Council. Monthly meetings have been set up with the aim to keep the service progressing. The meetings involve informal training from both services, which promotes better understanding of their individual roles. The meetings have helped to improve several issues including emergency referrals and monitoring

outcomes. An outcome of the meeting has been an involvement in the education project that CSP administer. The education project aims to teach young people (year 10 and 11) about youth homelessness and raise awareness of where to find help. A prevention officer was able to co-facilitate an education session at Rawlins Community College, and the mediation service, together with the prevention officer are hoping to develop a further session for year 11 students to involve information from the Council.

Supported Tenancy and Resettlement Team:

- Aims to reduce repeat homelessness and assist vulnerable people to sustain tenancies.

This service has been running for 3 years, during this time monthly and quarterly monitoring meetings have been held with Tenancy and Welfare department. Through these meeting a joint approach to monitoring outcomes has been achieved. A quarterly form is completed and returned to the Principal Housing Officer (Projects) for the Council to monitor the use of the service. Recently there has been joint working between the rent department and the service to try and monitor rent levels of people using the service, which will assist the service to measure the outcomes of support more accurately. The Bridge Housing Advice Centre, START and the rent department have also agreed a referral system for tenants who are at threat of being evicted, to ensure they are able to access advice, and longer term support if necessary.

Case Study 8 Real Life Examples

Real life examples of how the strategy has changed as a result of input from Members, partners and other stakeholders:

Deprivation

A series of Scrutiny and Cabinet committee meetings were held with Members as part of the consultation process. A key issue arising out of this process was the need to provide more detailed information within the strategy to highlight the variation of prosperity within the Borough and to demonstrate that despite relative affluence in many areas, there still remains areas with high concentrations of deprivation, particularly in Loughborough. To address this a table outlining the six domains of deprivation within Charnwood has been included in Chapter 2. This information will be used in targeting future resources and pilot projects.

Housing Strategy Priorities

The Housing Strategy priorities were developed with stakeholders at the Housing Consultation Event in February 2005. A number of priorities originally proposed by the Council can be found in Appendix 2. Following evaluation by stakeholders at the Consultation Event, three priorities arising out of each aim were ranked in order of importance. This ensures that partners and stakeholders wholly adopt these as the priorities for Charnwood's Housing Strategy.

Action Plan

As part of the consultation process consideration was given to the Action Plan for the Housing Strategy. Following considerable discussions with Members, partners and other key stakeholders the draft version was amended to reflect actions which reflect improvements, were achievable within the most likely resources, and which could be used to best effect i.e. how do they meet wider strategic priorities and legislative requirements. Examples of changes brought about following evaluation of the draft included, inclusion of key BVPI indicators and the addition of a column identifying the strategic fit of the priority/action.

Housing Strategy Digest

Consultation with a range of stakeholders, including a number of 'critical friends', who were used to review the document highlighted the need for a smaller more edited and accessible version of the main strategy to identify the key messages quickly. As a direct result of this the Council has produced a Housing Strategy Digest which will enable the reader to obtain a clear summary of the main points and information on references on how to access more detailed information. Drafts of these digests were then presented to CCLATA to ensure that tenants and leaseholders felt they presented the information in an accessible way.

Appendix 4 – Housing Strategy Consultation Framework

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| Activity | Timescale | How this informs the Housing Strategy | Example in 2004/5 |
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| Analysis of primary research, performance Information and Best Value Reviews | Continuous throughout the year | Informs revisions to the strategic objectives, Options Appraisal and Action Plan | Housing Needs Survey (Desktop Update) 2005, Dwelling Balance Analysis (2005) and Housing Market Assessment determined prioritisations of work |
| Housing Strategy Steering Group | Quarterly throughout the year | Informs revisions to the strategy and identifies issues for discussion | Discussions surrounding Housing Needs Update 2005 informed the development of the Supplementary Planning Document on Affordable Housing. Confirmed milestones and targets set out in Action Plan |
| Housing Strategy Consultation Event | February 2005 | Informs revisions to the strategy and identifies issues for discussion | Identified options and priorities for the development of the strategy, including the prioritisation of work by considering the contribution each could make to the local community |
| Consultation with ward councillors and residents at each Community Committee panels and with council tenants and leaseholders through the Housing Options Review process | Extensive period of consultation between June 2004 – May 2005 which began with the formation of the Stock Options Appraisal Steering Group | Identifies issues requiring additional coverage in the strategy | Prioritisation of work to determine the aspirational 'Charnwood Standard' of council housing within the Borough and the preferred option for the management of council housing stock |
| Formal consideration of the Housing Strategy by the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Commission and by Full Council | Performance, Management & Scrutiny Committee – March 2005 Cabinet – March 2005 Cabinet – June 2005 Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee – July 2005 Cabinet – July 2005 | Considers and approves final submission | Members and key stakeholders have had the opportunity to consider the themes and priorities arising out of the Housing Strategy Consultation Event. The Strategy has been amended to reflect Cabinet & Members contributions (Appendix 3, Case Study 8) |

List of Invitees to Charnwood Local Strategic Partnership Housing Strategy Consultation Event February 2005

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| Abbey National Plc | Central Networks |
| Abbeyfield | Central Trains |
| ACERT | Centre for Ecology & Hydrology |
| Action for a Better Charnwood / Environment Network | Chairman of Beeby Parish Meeting |
| Advance Housing and Support | Chairman of Swithland Parish Meeting |
| Age Concern | Chairman of Wanlip Parish Meeting |
| All Saints Resident Association | Chapman Warren |
| Allsop Verrill | Charnwood & North West Leicestershire PCT |
| Andrew Granger & Co | Charnwood Arts |
| Andrew Martin Associates | Charnwood Bangladeshi Society |
| Anstey Parish Council | Charnwood Borough Council |
| Anstey Parish Plan Group | Charnwood Carers Forum |
| Anstey Scene | Charnwood Community Council |
| Arriva Midlands | Charnwood Council for Voluntary Service |
| Arts Council England (East Midlands Arts) | Charnwood Disability Forum |
| Ashby Road Estates Community Association | Charnwood Ethnic Minority Forum |
| ASRA Midlands Housing Assoc Ltd | Charnwood Forest Housing Association |
| Association of Charnwood Tenants | Charnwood Learning Disability Action Group |
| Bangladesh Social Association | Charnwood Private Landlords Forum |
| Bardon Parish Council | Charnwood Racial Equality Council |
| Barkby Parish Council | Charnwood Shelter Project |
| Barratt East Midlands Limited | Charnwood Sports Council |
| Barrow upon Soar Parish Council | Charnwood Standing Committee for the Elderly |
| Barrow upon Soar Village Design Statement | Charnwood Tree Trust |
| Barrow Voice | Chesterton |
| BBC Radio Leicester | Christian Link |
| Beeby Parish Meeting | Church Commissioners for England |
| Bellway Homes (East Midlands) | Churches Together in Loughborough |
| Belton Parish Council | Civil Aviation Authority |
| Berry Commercial | Classical Architecture |
| Birstall Parish Council | Cliff Walsingham & Company |
| Birstall Post | Commission for Racial Equality |
| Blaby District Council | Community Housing Task Force, ODPM |
| Black Horse Agencies | Connells |
| Boots Properties plc | Connexions Leicester Shire |
| British Chemical Distributors & Traders Association | Cossington Parish Council |
| British Gas Connections Ltd | Cossington Parish Plan Group |
| British Gas Properties | Costock Parish Council |
| British Geological Survey | Country Landowners Association |
| British Telecommunications Plc | Countrywide Homes |
| British Waterways | CPM Environmental Planning and Design Ltd |
| Broughton & Dalby Parish Council | CPRE Charnwood |
| Brown Jacobson | CPRE Leicestershire |
| Building Advice Centre | Cunnane Town Planning |
| Building Relationships | Cycling Consultative Group |
| Burleigh Community College | Cyclist Touring Club |
| Burton on the Wolds Parish Plan Group | Darmight Projects Limited |
| Burton on the Wolds, Cotes and Prestwold Parish Council | David Wilson Estates Limited |
| Business Link | De Montfort Housing Society Ltd |
| CABE | De Montfort University |
| | Department for Culture, Media & Sport |
| | Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs |
| | Department for Work & Pensions |
| | Department of Constitutional Affairs |
| | Derek Lovejoy Partnership |

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| Derwent Living | Hathern Parish Council |
| Design & Planning Consultant | Hathern Village Appraisal |
| Development Planning & Design Services | Healey & Baker |
| DHV Burrow Crocker Consulting | Health & Safety Executive |
| Disability Rights Commission | Heart of England Tourist Board |
| Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee | Help the Aged |
| Dowling de Lisle Limited | Hewitson Becke & Shaw |
| Drug Action Team | Hickling Parish Council |
| DTZ Debenham Thorpe | Highways Agency |
| Dunn Line | Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council |
| E A Lane & Sons | Hind Leys Community College |
| East Goscote Parish Council | Hoby with Rotherby |
| East Goscote Parish Plan | Holmes Antill |
| East Leake Parish Council | Home Office |
| East Midlands Development Agency | Hoton Parish Council |
| East Midlands Housing Association | House Builders Federation - Eastern Region |
| East Midlands Public Health Group | Housing 21 |
| East Midlands Regional Assembly | Housing Corporation |
| Eastern Leicester Primary Care Trust | Housing Quality Network |
| Edge & Ellison | Howkins & Harrison |
| Elsworth Sykes Planning | Humphrey Perkins School |
| Emmanuel, Loughborough and St Mary-in-Charnwood, Nanpantan | Ideal Homes Midlands Limited |
| Engineering Employers Association | J & J Design |
| English Heritage | J S Bloor (Measham) Ltd. |
| English Nature | James Bailey Planning |
| English Partnerships | Jelson (Builders) Ltd. |
| Environment Agency | John German |
| Environment Network | Keyham Parish Council |
| Fairclough Homes | Kinchbus |
| Faulks, Perry, Culley & Rech | Kingston on Soar Parish Council |
| FCH Housing & Care | Land Access & Recreation Association |
| Fearon Hall Community Association | Landmark Planning Limited |
| Fisher Hoggarth | Leicester and Rutland Wildlife Trust, |
| Fishers Solicitors | Leicester City Bus |
| Forestry Commission | Leicester City Council |
| Fox Bennett | Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance |
| FPDSavills | Leicester Family Housing Association |
| Freeth Cartwright | Leicester Housing Association |
| Freight Transport Association | Leicester Mercury |
| Friends of Charnwood Forest | Leicester Sound |
| Friends of the Earth | Leicester Valuation Office |
| G A Property Services | Leicestershire & Rutland Ornithological Society |
| Gaddesby Parish Council | Leicestershire and Rutland Probation Service |
| Garendon Park Protection Group | Leicestershire Bridleways Association |
| Geeta Bhawan | Leicestershire Chamber of Commerce & Industry |
| George Wimpey (East Midlands) Ltd. | Leicestershire Constabulary |
| Gerald Eve | Leicestershire Constabulary - Architectural Liaison |
| Glenfield Parish Council | Leicestershire County Council |
| Gorse Covert Community Association | Leicestershire Family Practitioner Committee |
| Government Office for the East Midlands | Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service |
| Grapevine | Leicestershire Footpaths Association |
| Great Central Railway | Leicestershire Learning & Skills Council |
| Groby Parish Council | Leicestershire Leicester & Rutland Sport |
| GVA Grimley | Leicestershire Police Authority |
| Hallam Land Management | Leicestershire Social Services |
| Halliwell Landau | Leicestershire Supporting People Team |
| Hanover Housing Association | Leics & Rutland Assoc of Parish & Local Councils |
| Harborough District Council | Leics & Rutland Rural Community Council |
| | Leics & Rutland Trust for Nature Conservation |

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Leics County Auctioneers & Estate Agents Assoc
Life Skills
Lifeline for the Homeless
Local Pensions Service
Long Whatton Parish Council
Longcliffe Road Senior Citizens Club
Longslade Community College
Loughborough & District Civic Trust
Loughborough & District Consumer Group
Loughborough & District Cycle Users Campaign
Loughborough Archaeological & Historical Society
Loughborough Chamber of Trade
Loughborough Chamber of Trade & Commerce
Loughborough College
Loughborough Consultants Limited
Loughborough Council of Faiths
Loughborough Echo
Loughborough Ecology Party
Loughborough Endowed Schools
Loughborough Jansari Centre
Loughborough Meeting Rooms Trust
Loughborough Mela
Loughborough Naturalists Club
Loughborough Older Persons Forum
Loughborough Students Union
Loughborough University
Loughborough Urban Forum
Loughborough Women's Aid
Loughborough Mosque & Islamic Cultural Association
Love4life
M & S Solicitors
Marcus Bates FRICS
Mariners Quay Residents association
Markfield Parish Council
Marrons
Martyn Bramich Associates
Mason Richards Planning
Mela Committee
Melton Borough Council
Melton Rutland and Harborough PCT
Mental Health Forum
Metropolitan Housing Trust
Midland Mainline Limited
Miller Homes Ltd. (East Midlands)
Ministry of Defence Estates
Mobile Phone Operators Association
Montague Evans
Mountsorrel Parish Council
Mountsorrel Village Plan Group
Musson Liggins Butcher
National Association of Shopfitters
National Express Group plc
National Farmers Union
National Forest Company
National Grid Transco (Electricity)
National Grid Transco (Gas)
National Market Traders Federation
National Playing Fields Association
Nesta Developments Design & Build
Network Rail
Newtown Linford Parish Council
Newtown Linford Village Appraisal
Nicholas Allen
Normanton on Soar Parish Council
North British Housing Association
North West Leicestershire District Council
Nottingham City Transport
Nottingham Community Housing Association
Nottingham East Midlands Airport
Nottinghamshire County Council
Oadby & Wigston Borough Council
Office of Communications
Office of Government Commerce
OPUN Regeneration East Midlands
ORS Property Consultants
PACE
Partnership for Employment Action in Charnwood
Paul James Coaches
PEACH
Peacock & Smith
Pedestrian Consultative Group
Persimmon Homes Ltd.
Pinsent & Co
Planning Aid Service
Planning Bureau
Planning Consultants
Playtime
Polish Community Centre
Post Office, Town Planning & Legislation Unit
Powergen
Powney Pratt Limited
Queniborough Gazette
Queniborough Parish Council
Queniborough Village Appraisal
Quorn Parish Council
Raglan Housing Association Ltd
Rail Freight Group
Ramblers Association
Rapleys
Ratcliffe on the Wreake Parish Meeting
Rawlins Community College
Rearsby Parish Council
Rearsby Village Design Statement Group
Redrow Homes (Midlands) Limited
Regional Housing Board
Rempstone Parish Council
Riverside Housing
RNIB Vocational College
Road Haulage Association
Roger Tym & Partners
Rothley Parish Council
Rothley Roundup
Roundabout the Community
Roundhill Community College
RSPB (Central England Offices)
Rushcliffe Borough Council
Rushcliffe Estate Limited

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Rutland County Council
Savills Walker Walton
SBT Planning
Scraptoft Parish Council
Seagrave Parish Council
Seagrave Parish Magazine
Severn Trent Water Limited
Shelthorpe Community Association
Shepshed Sentinel
Shepshed Town Council
Shire Properties Limited
Shree Ram Krishna Community Association
Sikh Gurudawara
Sikh Temple
Sileby Parish Council
Sileby Village Appraisal
Smith Stuart Reynolds
South Croxton Parish Council
South Notts Bus Company Limited
Sport England
Sriniketan Cultural Association
St Peters Community Association
Stamford Homes Ltd.
Standard Life Assurance Company
Stanford on Soar Parish Council
Stansgate Planning Consultants
Stephen George & Partners
Stephen Roberts Associates
Stoneleigh Planning Partnership
Storer Road and Rosebery Street Community Association
Strategic Health Authority
Strategic Rail Authority
Straw & Pearce
Sutton Bonington Parish Council
Swithland Link
Swithland Parish Meeting
Syston Grapevine
Syston Town Council
Terence O'Rourke plc
The Countryside Agency
The Crown Estate
The Gypsy Council
The Link
The Long Furrow Community Magazine
The Loughborough Prestige Hotel & Conference Group
The National Trust
Thomas Skidmore & Sons
Thrussington Life
Thrussington Parish Council
Thurcaston and Cropston Parish Council
Thurmaston Parish Council
Thurmaston Times
TPAS
Transco Plc
Transport 2000
Traveller Law Reform Coalition
Travers Morgan Limited
Trent Barton
Twyford and Thorpe Parish Council
Ulverscroft Parish Meeting
Vincent Sykes
Walton on the Wolds Parish Council
Wanlip Parish Meeting
West End Travel
Westbury Homes Holding Limited
Westleigh Developments Limited
Wilcon Homes Midlands
William Davis Limited
Williams Builders Ltd.
Willoughby on the Wolds Parish Council
Women's National Commission
Woodbrook Vale High School
Woodhouse Eaves & Swithland Recreational Riding Association (WESRRA)
Woodhouse Eaves Parish Plan Group
Woodhouse Parish Council
Woods Coaches
Wreake Valley College
Wymeswold Parish Council
Wymeswold Parish Plan Group
Wymeswold Village Design Statement
Wysall & Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council
YWCA Community Centre

Appendix 5 – Explanation of Deprivation Domains

Regional Housing Strategy Priorities

Deprivation Domains

Multiple Deprivation

The Multiple Deprivation index is based on six indicator domains. Each Domain consists of a separate set of indicators. The domains are as follows:

Income Deprivation
Employment Deprivation
Health Deprivation and Disability
Housing Deprivation
Education, Skills and Training Deprivation
Geographical Access to Services

Income Deprivation

The **income** deprivation domain measures the proportion of the population living below 60% of median income. A number of indicators are used to compile this domain. These include:

- Adults and children in Income Support households (2001, DWP)
- Adults and children in Income Based Job Seekers Allowance households (2001, DWP)
- Adults and children in Working Family Tax Credit households (2001, Inland Revenue and DWP)
- Adults and children in Disabled Persons Tax Credit households (2001, Inland Revenue and DWP)
- Supported asylum seekers in receipt of subsistence only and accommodation support (2002, Home Office and NASS)

IDAC (Income Deprivation Affecting Children)

This is a supplementary indicator that measures the proportion of children aged under 16 years in an area who live in income deprived households.

IDAOP (Income Deprivation Affecting Older People)

This is a supplementary indicator that measures the proportion of people aged over 60 years in an area who live in income deprived households.

Employment

The **employment** deprivation domain measures the proportion of the working age population that are involuntarily excluded from the world of work. It includes both those who are registered as unemployed, but also includes elements of the more 'hidden unemployed' such as those who are out of the workforce through sickness. The indicators used are:

- Unemployment claimant count (2001, ONS)
- Incapacity Benefit claimants (2001, DWP)
- Severe Disablement Allowance claimants (2001, DWP)
- Participants in New Deal (2001, DWP)

Health

This domain identifies areas with relatively high rates of people who die prematurely or whose quality of life is impaired by poor health or who are disabled. The indicators used to compile this domain include:

- Years of potential life lost (1997-2001, ONS)
- Comparative Illness and Disability Ratio (2001, DWP)
- Measures of emergency admissions to hospital (99/00 to 01/02, DoH)
- Measure of adults under 60 suffering from mood or anxiety disorders (2001, DoH, ONS, DWP)
- ODPM Indices of Deprivation 2004 – Leicestershire

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Education

This domain captures the extent of deprivation in education, skills and training of people living in a local area. The indicators are based upon residence rather than location of schools or colleges. The indicators used are:

- Average points score of pupils at Key Stage 2 (2002, Pupil Level Annual School Census and National Pupil Database)
- Average points score of pupils at Key Stage 3 (2002, Pupil Level Annual School Census and National Pupil Database)
- Average points score of pupils at Key Stage 4 (2002, Pupil Level Annual School Census and National Pupil Database)
- Proportion of young people not staying on in school or further education above 16 (2001, DWP)
- Secondary school absence rate (01/02, DfES)
- Proportion of those aged under 21 not entering higher education (99/02, UCAS)
- Skills
- Proportion of working age adults with no or low qualifications (2001, Census)

Barriers

This domain measures the barriers faced by the local population relating to housing along with a measure of the distance needed to travel to key local services. The indicators used are:

Wider Barriers

- Household overcrowding (2001, Census)
- Percentage of households with assistance under the homeless provisions of housing legislation (2002, ODPM)
- Difficulty of access to owner occupation (2002)

Geographical Barriers

- Road distance to GP premises (2003, NHS)
- Road distance to a supermarket or convenience store (2002, MapInfo Ltd)
- Road distance to a primary school (01/02, DfES)
- Road distance to a Post Office (2003, Post Office Ltd)

Living Environment

This domain looks at both the indoor and outdoor living environment. The indicators used include:

Indoor Living Environment

- Social and private housing in poor condition (2001, EHCS)
- Houses without central heating (2001, Census)

Outdoor Living Environment

- Air quality (2001, UK National Air Quality Archive)
- Road traffic accidents involving injury to pedestrians and cyclists (00/02, DfT)

Crime

This domain measures the rate of recorded crime for four main crime types – burglary, theft, criminal damage and violence (02/03, Police Force data)

Appendix 6 – Regional Housing Strategy Priorities

The regional housing strategy identifies sixteen policies covering three overall strategic aims. The policies are listed below:

Policies to Deliver Balance

- 1 Increasing the quantity and improving delivery of appropriate high quality affordable housing for all communities
- 2 Securing quality and choice for housing development
- 3 Recognising and responding to areas affected by low demand
- 4 Providing options for unpopular or unsuitable sheltered housing stock
- 5 Delivering decent homes and decent neighbourhoods: renewing and revitalising the private sector
- 6 Delivering decent homes and decent neighbourhoods: decent homes in the social sector
- 7 Ensuring sustainable growth for the Milton Keynes/South Midlands area is delivered
- 8 Ensuring that the skills in the construction sector can be harnessed to increase output in the region

Policies to Deliver Inclusion

- 9 Tackling the causes of homelessness
- 10 Assisting people to maintain their independence for as long as they wish
- 11 Promoting healthy, safe and eco-efficient homes
- 12 Ensuring that in rural areas and market towns there is both an appropriate provision of quality housing to meet a range of housing needs and access to related services for vulnerable people of all ages
- 13 Ensuring that all sub-regions understand and address the needs and aspirations of diverse sectors of their communities

Policies to Deliver Co-ordination

- 14 Developing the role of the sub-regions
- 15 Developing and integrating a common information base
- 16 Supporting economic growth in partnership