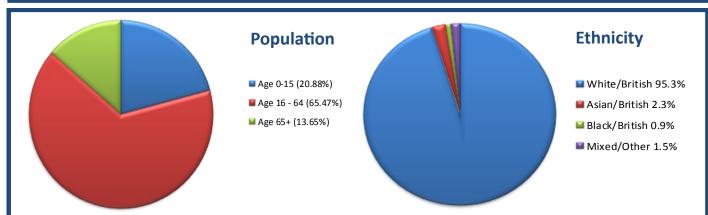
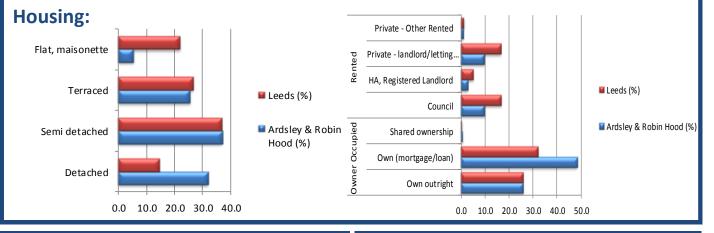
# ARDSLEY & ROBIN HOOD WARD

East, West Ardsley; Lofthouse; Robin Hood; Thorpe on the Hill; Tingley; Westerton, Haigh Moor



#### Socio-economic/demographic

Ardsley and Robin Hood (A & RH) is a largely rural ward and predominantly white British with an average to high quality of life, which masks a number of 'pockets of deprivation across the area. These neighbourhoods are characterised by lower skills levels, health problems, poor education attainment and community safety issues. Ward population is approximately 19,692.



# Main Council Facilities (including parks, visitor attractions etc.)

Ardsley and Tingley Library; Lofthouse Library; Ardsley and Tingley Children's Centre; Lofthouse Children's Centre; Rothwell Children's Centre; Smithy Lane Recreational Ground; Thorpe Recreational Ground; Play area at Winthorpes; East Ardsley Community Centre; St Gabriel's; Tingley Youth and Community Centre; West Ardsley Community Centre.

## **Schools**

East Ardsley Primary School; Blackgates Primary School; Robin Hood Primary School; Thorpe Primary School; Hill Top Infants School; Rodillian Academy.

# **Key Local Organisations**

Tingley Tenants and Residents Association (TARA) ; Lofthouse TARA; Winthorpe Residents Association; Thorpe Residents and Community Group; Red Barn Residents Association; Westerton Close Elderly Community Group.

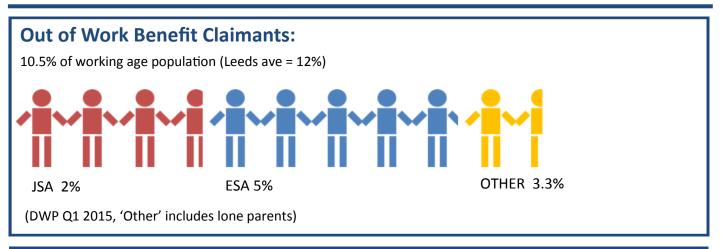
## **Key Challenges**

Residents identify strongly with their local town or village, this manifests itself in a strong civic pride and community spirit. However, this strong local identity can generate feelings of isolation and a lack of influence on decisions affecting their communities. The Outer South Community Committee has identified priority neighbourhoods based on Indices of Deprivation:

- Eastleighs and Fairleighs 30% of the population are 19 years old or under and 21% are over 60.
- Thorpe on the Hill a small village in the centre of the ward. Although not highlighted within the top 20% of deprivation nationally, there is evidence of pockets in the area worthy of additional support from agencies.

#### **Main Employers**

Peter Simpson & Sons; Nev's Removals; C & G Stanley; Rainforest Landscape Contractors; M J K School of Motoring; B & G Gas Services; A1 Electrical; Sizzling Wok.



#### **Crime Statistics**

During this reporting period the home office counting rules and recording standards changed so comparisons with last years figures may not be like for like. Whilst every effort is made to ensure ward figures are accurate there are postcode discrepancies which mean some crimes maybe placed in a ward as a best match.

Category	2014/15	2015/16
Burglary - dwelling	54	64
Burglary - other (eg sheds)	97	88
Criminal damage	113	140
Drug offences	23	11
Sexual offences	30	24
Theft from motor vehicle	114	94
Violent crime & Homicide	149	329
Domestic violence	256	315

#### PROJECTS

#### Wellbeing Projects 2015/16

Over **£33,000** approved for the following projects:

- Community Heroes
- Christmas Trees & Lights
- Parks & Countryside Outer South Site Base Gardening Scheme
- Outer South Garden Maintenance Scheme
- Community Safety Outer South Burglary Dwelling, Other and Theft From Motor Vehicles; Operation Flame
- Ardsley Bowling Club
- Litter Bins
- Wellbeing Packs
- Rothwell Celebrations
- Rothwell Music Festival

#### **Small Grants**

Over **£2,100** approved for environmental projects and community events.

#### Youth Activity Fund 2015/16

Over **£18,000** approved for projects for children and young people:

- Pop Up Sports Clubs
- Cook & Skate
- Outer South Mini Breeze
- InnoV8 Art
- Families Cooking Together
- Arty Lab
- Canvas Club Project
- Light Night Leeds Lantern Parade
- Morley & CATTS Cluster Partnership
- Rothwell Cluster School Holiday Activities
- Youth Matters Consultation