

East North East Leeds

Moor Allerton Partnership Neighbourhood Improvement Plan 2013/14



Introduction

Moor Allerton is one of the priority neighbourhoods in East North East Leeds. Each priority neighbourhood has a Neighbourhood Improvement Plan (NIP) This document provides the statistical information and improvement objectives for the area which is reviewed and refreshed annually.

Delivery of the NIP action plan is the responsibility of the Moor Allerton Partnership (MAP), a partnership of statutory and voluntary organisations. The MAP partners include Leeds City Council, East North East Homes Leeds (ENEHL), Alwoodley Extended Services, Leeds Jewish Housing Association; West Yorkshire Police, Job Centre Plus, MAECare, Northcall, IGEN, Churches Together and Groundwork Leeds.

The Outer North East Area Committee and Inner North East Area Committee provide a strategic reporting mechanism and democratic accountability for the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan. They are responsible for signing off the NIP for a twelve month period and can assist in ensuring the buy in of partner agencies.

The Area

The Moor Allerton Priority Neighbourhood includes the Lingfields, Firtrees, Cranmers, Tynwalds Aldertons, Queenshills and Leafields neighbourhoods. It is bounded by Harrogate Road to the east, Nursery Lane to the North, and Black Moor Road to the East. To the South it extends over the ring road to Stonegate Road. The area contains approximately 6,446 people living in 3,148 households.

There are two primary schools within the MAP area, Alwoodley Primary, and Allerton C of E Primary, plus one high school, Allerton High. These schools are part of the Alwoodley Extended Services, a group of eight schools and partners who have chosen to work together to deliver the Extended Services Core Offer for children, young people and families in our community.

Alwoodley Children's Centre is located in Allerton C of E primary school and provides assistance to families with children up to 5 years old – from midwives, health visitors to parenting support and activities, out of school clubs, training and support with employment. The Children's Centre is also part of Alwoodley Extended Services.

Moor Allerton District Centre is located on the A1620 ring road; the anchor store is Sainsburys, with an adjoining Homebase, plus there are a number of other small shops, a private orthodontist, a library, and substantial car parking space. Cranmer Bank, the Lingfields and the Firtrees all have small shopping parades.

Moor Allerton Elderly Care (MAECare), based on Cranmer Bank provide a range of support services for older people; Northcall are located next door to MAECare and provide advice services, activities and a community café for people of all ages. Cranmer Court Care Home also on Cranmer Bank provides residential accommodation for people with learning and physical disabilities.

East North East Homes have offices on Queenshill Approach that serve their immediate clientele.

Leeds Jewish Housing Association (LjHA), based on Stonegate Road, is a Jewish led, minority ethnic housing association, providing homes primarily for the local Jewish Community.

The Marjorie and Arnold Ziff Centre on Stonegate Road provides a high quality environment with a wide-ranging programme of activities and events for all ages and tastes. It has a Kosher restaurant, meeting spaces for community events, office space, and link corridors to the neighbouring elderly persons accommodation enabling residents to internal access to the centre.

Statistics

Neighbourhood Index

Leeds City Council has worked with partner organisations to develop an enhanced area profiling system at the neighbourhood level. The result of this work is the production of a "Neighbourhood Index" for the city, which provides the Council and its partners with a robust evidence base by which to plan service interventions and to begin to identify and guide resources into the areas of greatest need. The information in the neighbourhood Index is based on geographical units known as Middle Super Output Areas (MSOAs). There are 108 MSOAs in the city of Leeds. The higher the Neighbourhood Index position the better the area is performing on a city wide level in a particular domain.

The Lingfields, Firtrees, and Cranmers neighbourhoods form part of the Moor Allerton Middle Layer Super Output Area (MSOA), and the area also includes the Turnberrys which is north of Nursery Lane. The 2012 statistics show Moor Allerton is rank 35th out of 108 MSOAs in the city.

The area performing below the city average is Economic Activity, which is ranked 27 out of 108 MSOAs:

- 261 people (6.55%) of working age are claiming job seekers allowance (city average 4.71%);
- 430 (10.79%) are claiming incapacity benefit (city average 5.77%);
- 279 children (23.60%) live in a workless household (city average 20.16%);
- 251 households (9.05%) are receiving in work benefits (city average 5.76%);
- 410 households aged 60+ (14.78%) are in receipt of benefits (city average 10.32%);

The Queenshills/Leafields neighbourhood falls within the Carr Manor Super Output Area, however this MSOA covers a much wider neighbourhood, so the statistics do not necessarily reflect the current picture for the Queenshills/Leafields.

Lower Level Super Output Areas

The MAP area breaks down further into four Lower Level Super Output Areas (LSOAs):

- Stonegate Road/Queenshills/Fieldhouse Drive & Close
- Fire Tree Approach/Lingfield Approach/Cranmer Bank/Saxon Road
- Tynwalds/Deanswoods
- Lingfields/Firtrees

The LSOA stats for Stonegate Road/Queenshills/Fieldhouse Drive & Close show that 70 people of working age (7.3%) are claiming job seekers allowance, and 145 (15.1%) are claiming Employment Support Allowance/Incapacity Benefits.¹

More information is available on the [West Yorkshire Observatory Website](#), a resource for anyone looking to find out more about communities and geographies in Leeds, or from the East North East Area Support Team.

Equality Framework

To ensure that all activity which is delivered through the NIP is accessible for all sections of the community, a light touch equality impact assessment will be undertaken during the development of the NIP action plan. Equality impact assessments will also be carried out when any projects in the neighbourhood is being undertaken. This is in line with Leeds City Council's commitment to achieve the excellent rating for equalities.

Neighbourhood Improvement Plan Priorities 2013/14

- Reduce the % of working age people in receipt of benefits;
- Reduce health inequalities;
- Increase opportunities for young people;
- Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour;
- To ensure vulnerable people have access to the services and support that they need;
- Improve community cohesion.

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¹ Source Dept of Work & Pensions, 2012