

Appendix 1.

Fairfields Intensive Neighbourhood Management Area (INM) – Year 2 Update

Worklessness and Low Income

- The number of Working Age Client Group (WACG) claimants in the area increased from 615 in 2005 to 630 in 2006, but has now fallen again to 610 in 2007.
- The following table compares the figures for the Fairfields INM area with those for the combined INM areas and the city as a whole.

	2005	2006	2007
Fairfields	22.8%	23.4%	21.9%
Combined INM areas	32.0%	32.7%	28.3%
Leeds Metropolitan District	14.2%	14.4%	13.0%

- Almost 22% of the working age population in the area are WACG claimants – well above the city average of 13%.
- The number of Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) claimants in the area rose by 16% from 95 in 2005 to 110 in 2006, but has fallen again to 90 in 2007.
- The number of Incapacity Benefit claimants also increased slightly from 320 in 2005 to 335 in 2007, while the number of Lone Parents in receipt of Income Support fell slightly from 100 in 2005 to 95 in 2007.
- The number of households in receipt of Local Authority administered benefits stayed broadly the same over the three year period at around 715.

Crime

- The number of reported crimes in the area fell by 38% from 940 in 2005/06 to 581 in 2006/07, compared to a decrease of 10.4% for the city as a whole.

	2005	2006	2007
Fairfields	223.28‰	198.81‰	138.00‰
Combined INM areas	218.3‰	224.6‰	197.07‰
Leeds MD	137.00‰	134.75‰	122.71‰

- At 138 crimes per thousand population the crime rate in the area is still higher than the city average (122.71‰).
- The numbers have fallen across all crime types from the figures recorded in 2005 (with the exception of drugs crime which has increased slightly although the numbers of crimes in this category are relatively small) .
- Rates for domestic burglary, criminal damage, drugs crime and violent crime all remain above the averages for the city.

Educational Attainment

- The number of pupils living in the area achieving 5 or more GCSEs has risen slightly over the three years from 2005 – 2007, but as a proportion of all children entered the area is still significantly behind the city average (39.3% compared to 56%).
- At Key Stage 2 the numbers of children in the area achieving level 4 in Maths and Science has increased from the 2005 levels, but the number achieving this level in

English has fallen slightly, when expressed as a rate of all entrants in the area the figures are still below the city averages.

Liveability

- In 2005 the District Local Environmental Quality Survey (DLEQS) showed that 39% of streets in the SOA that covers the Fairfields estate itself had unacceptable levels of litter and detritus compared to a city figure of 20%, by 2006 the figure in this SOA had dropped dramatically to just 9% and this level has been maintained in 2007, and remains below the city average of 13% for the same year.

Housing

- The following table compares the figures for the Fairfields INM area with those for the combined INM areas and the city as a whole.

	2005	2006	2007	%age inc / dec
Fairfields	£97,167	£106,600	£115,400	+18.8
Combined INM areas	£91,615	£97,144	£106,384	+16.7
Leeds MD	£155,200	£164,700	£177,100	+14.1