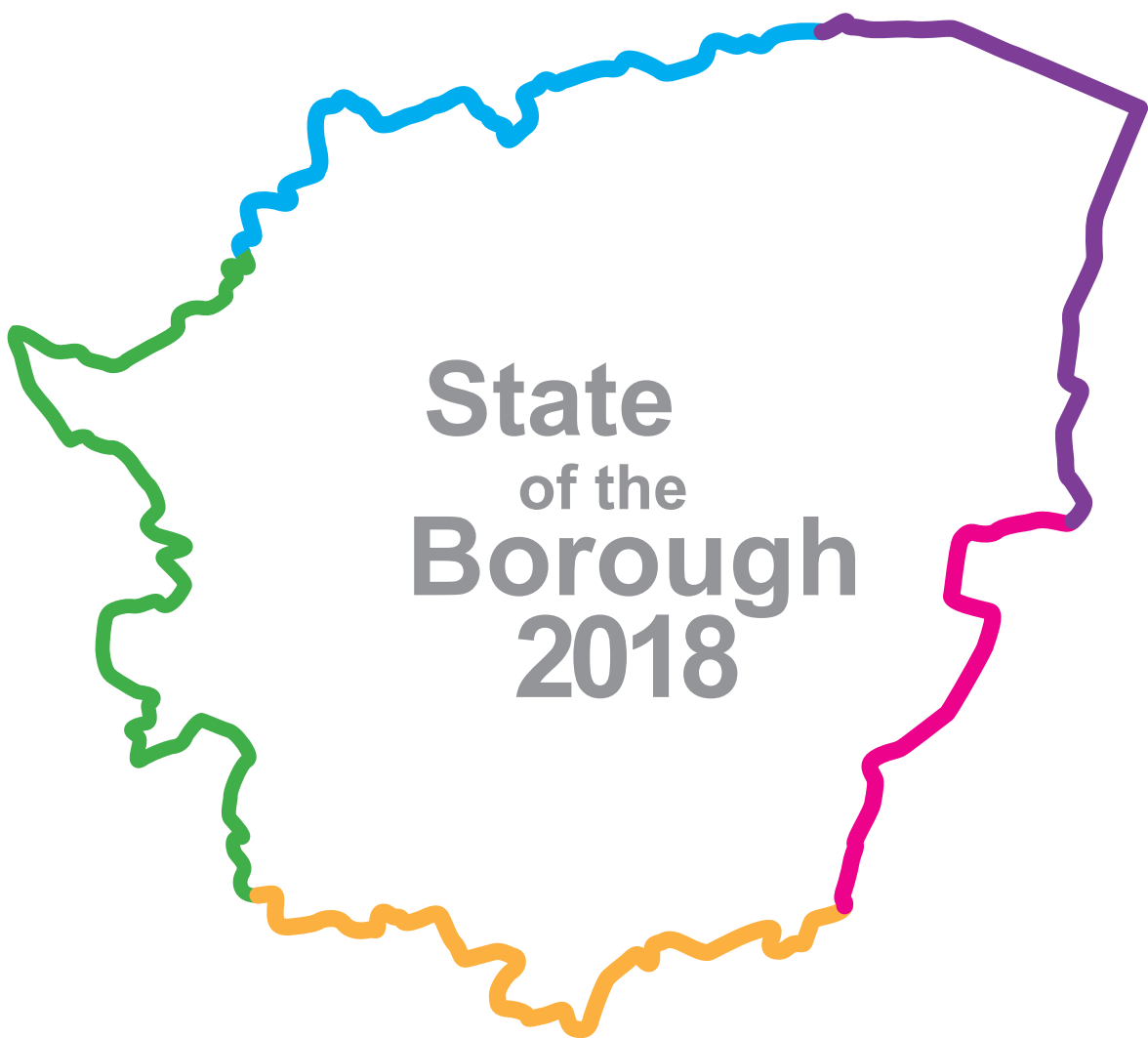


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Foreword from Mayor Ros Jones



Welcome to the 2018 State of the Borough Assessment.

“This is the second assessment of its kind in Doncaster and allows all of us to understand quality of life in our Borough. It should encourage and foster discussion and debate around how we can all continue to work together for the benefit of all, particularly at a time of challenge for public services and for our communities.”

Ros Jones

Welcome to Doncaster's second State of the Borough assessment which improves the ability of the citizens of Doncaster and the Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership to focus on the improvements that will make the most difference to quality of life in Doncaster.

To be successful, our collective efforts must be grounded in evidence and insight into the substantial challenges we face and the opportunities that we must grasp.

The State of the Borough assessment provides an overview of the quality of life in Doncaster now, how it is changing and how it compares to other similar places.

It provides a solid platform upon which Team Doncaster can agree priorities, make the very best of available resources, and assess the difference we are making over time.

The Team Doncaster plan, Doncaster Growing Together (DGT), includes a set of concrete plans for now, and big ideas for the future, that are intended to bring out the best in all of us.

As we enter the second year of this strategy it is essential we use this assessment to continue to reflect on overall quality of life in Doncaster. It is intended to stimulate debate and action from anyone who has a stake in Doncaster's future. A key feature of the assessment is that it goes beyond presenting the data, to providing case studies of the lived experiences of residents and businesses.

A key cross-cutting theme which runs throughout this document is Team Doncaster's focus on inclusive growth. Our mission is for Doncaster people, places and businesses to participate in a growing and productive economy and enjoy improved prosperity.

We hope you find the State of the Borough 2018 an interesting and informative document and can contribute to turning the knowledge and understanding within it into positive action.

Doncaster's annual State of the Borough Assessment (SOTB) provides an overall 'picture' of quality of life in the borough across four themes:

Learning Working Living Caring

This State of the Borough (SOTB) assessment provides an evidence base for the council and its Team Doncaster partners to develop effective, funded interventions to improve quality of life in the borough.

It brings together key quality of life indicators with an accompanying narrative in one place, enabling us to see the whole Borough picture at a high level.

This includes an insight into the size and profile of Doncaster's population and how it is changing.

The real life case studies in this SOTB provide insights into the quality of life experiences of residents and communities.

The purpose of the SOTB is not to describe all things across the borough in great detail – but to prompt discussion, and where necessary, further research and analysis into Doncaster's key challenges and opportunities.

Most of the indicators are presented at a 'whole borough/ whole population' level, and therefore do not show the detail of variances across the borough.

We are continuing to develop this assessment and a priority for 2018 will be to improve engagement on the assessment including:

- On-line through new interactive and accessible data dashboards.
- Using the SOTB as the basis for quizzes and games about the Borough to inform and change perceptions.
- Face to face engagement, utilising existing mechanisms (e.g. stalls in town centres, libraries and communities sites)

This assessment draws upon and inspires new enquiries from existing analysis in separate thematic assessments and reports, for example the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Statistics can of course never provide a faultless assessment of quality of life and every measure contains the caution that it can never be guaranteed to be perfectly accurate depending on the source and method of collection and analysis. Where there are gaps in data or knowledge, we will work together to develop new insights, guided by Team Doncaster's Engagement Plan.

The SOTB includes assessments of the gap between Doncaster and other areas.

Similar authorities benchmarked against in this document are the nearest statistical neighbours calculated by The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.

For Doncaster these have been updated and now include, for example, Rotherham, Wakefield, Wigan, St. Helens, Barnsley, Stockton-on-Tees and North Lincolnshire.

Many of the challenges highlighted in this assessment are affected by both local and national policy, however the collective efforts of Doncaster's public, private, voluntary and community sectors can have a significant impact on them.

Team Doncaster's quality of life interventions are brought together in transformation programmes in the four-year 'Doncaster Growing Together' Plan which is linked to clear governance arrangements.

These programmes will include additional measures of success which are relevant to the specific activities within them.

Understanding the population better

The indicators below provide an insight into the size and profile of Doncaster’s population and how it is changing. This matters to Team Doncaster across all the policy themes in this assessment as it plans ahead, for example to ensure it can meet the demand for healthcare, school places, housing and a workforce to enable local businesses to thrive.

1. Overall Population

Doncaster has a growing population.

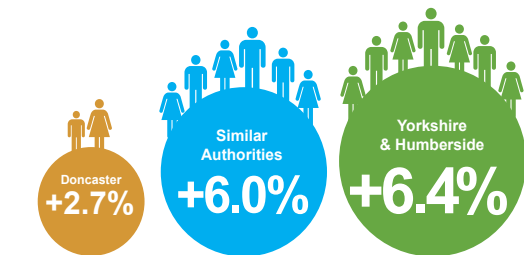


Data Source: Population mid-year estimates 2017, Office for National Statistics

2. Population Projections

Projected growth is lower than comparators.

Projected Population Increases by 2041

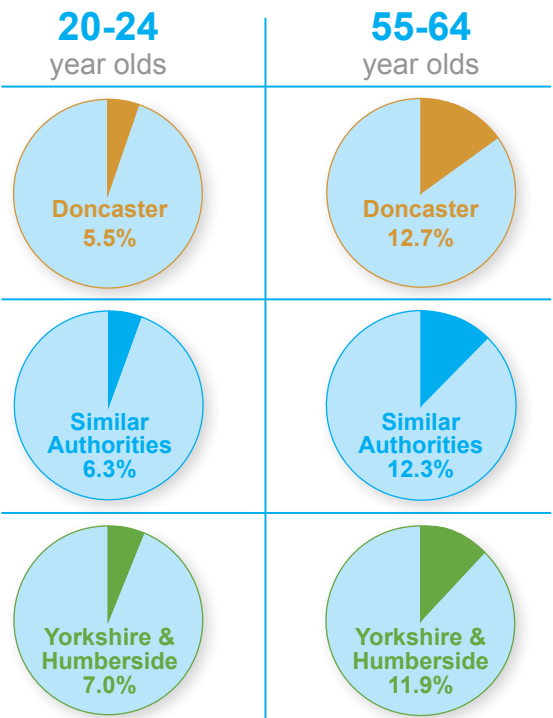


Data Source: Population projections 2016-2041, Office for National Statistics

3. Age Proportion

Doncaster has a similar age profile to other areas. However we have a lower percentage in the 20 to 24 age group and have a slightly higher proportion than the national figures in the 55 to 64 age group.

This has implications for Doncaster’s economic activity rates.



Data Source: Population mid-year estimates 2017, Office for National Statistics

4. Older Population

The number of people aged 65 and over within Doncaster is due to increase by about 23,000 (40%) from 2017 to 2041. This has implications for a wide range of local services, particularly health and social care services.

Aged 65 and over increases by 2041

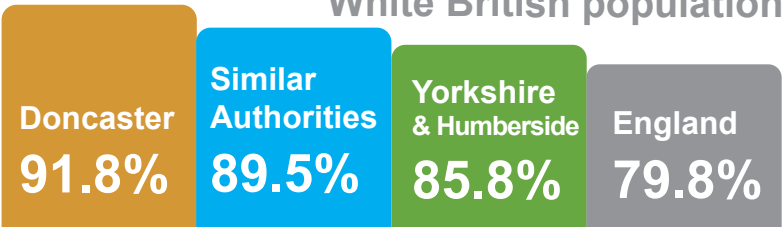


Data Source: Office for National Statistics, Population projections 2017-2041

5. Ethnic Group

Understanding the extent of ethnic diversity is important for shaping policy and service delivery to best meet the needs of a diverse population. 91.8% of Doncaster residents are White British which is higher than comparators. The next two largest groups after this are ‘Other White’ (3.4%) and ‘Asian’ (2.5%).

White British population

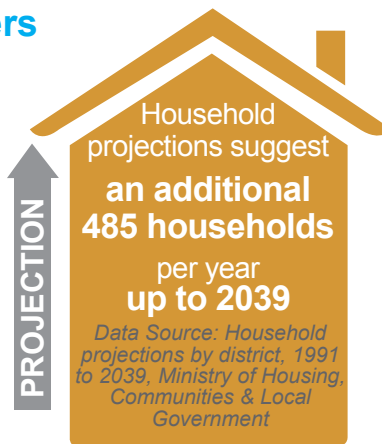


Data Source: Ethnic group, Census 2011, Nomis

6. Household Numbers

Doncaster housing numbers have been growing steadily since 2004. In 2017 there were estimated to be 135,250 dwellings, an increase of nearly 11%.

Data Source: 2017 Dwelling stock estimates by local authority district: 2001 to 2017, Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government



7. Housing Affordability Ratio

Housing affordability (which combines house prices and wages into a ratio where 10 is the least affordable) is relatively less of an issue for Doncaster. However there are variations across the borough.

Doncaster 5.86

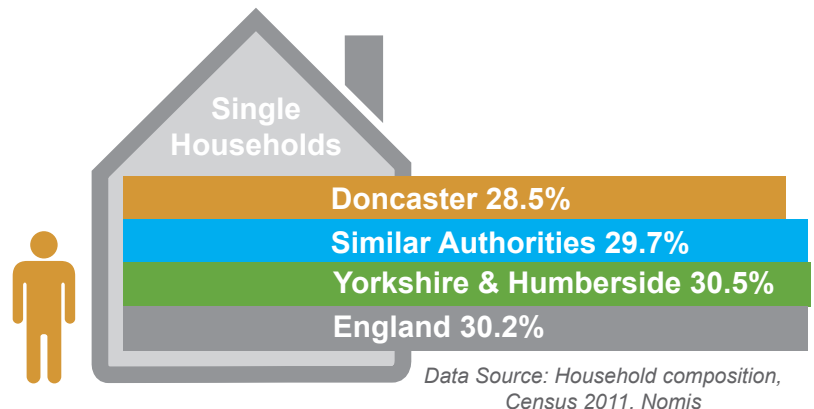
National Average 9.89

Data Source: Housing Affordability Ratio 2017, Centre for Cities

8. Household Composition

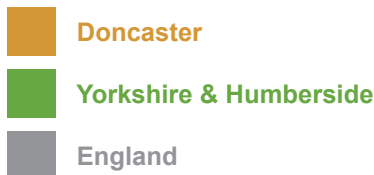
Over a **quarter** of Doncaster **residents** live in single **households**

Understanding the demand for different sizes of accommodation is important for shaping housing strategy.



9. Personal Well-being

Doncaster's happiness rating has increased marginally from 7.45 to 7.47 which is slightly lower than other comparators. Levels of anxiety are lower than comparators.



Data Source: Personal Well-being dataset, Annual Population Survey 2016-17



10.

Commuter Inflow



The number of people commuting into Doncaster has increased.

As of 2011 Doncaster has strong inward and outward commuter ties with places across Yorkshire & Humberside and Lincolnshire. Most of these ties have strengthened since 2001.

Data Source: Location of usual residence and place of work by method of travel to work, Census 2001 and 2011, Nomis



Commuter Outflow

The number of people commuting out of Doncaster has increased

11. Social Mobility

Doncaster has low levels of social mobility, ranking 298 out of 324 local authorities.

Data Source: 2017 Social Mobility Index, Social Mobility Commission

This is a slight improvement since the 2017 SOTB (Doncaster was ranked 301). Levels of deprivation vary significantly across the borough.

Doncaster | Learning

Residents have the knowledge and skills for life, creativity and employment

Team Doncaster's vision is for learning that prepares all children, young people and adults for a life that is fulfilling – by studying and exploring the things they are passionate about, in school and beyond, and doing work that is both enjoyable and productive. A key challenge is to support residents of all ages to develop the knowledge and skills needed by local employers, now and in the future. This requires a blend of both academic and vocational skills.

Outcomes

- More young people are equipped to access employment, training and higher education
- More young people are ready for school
- More young people do well in school
- More people are learning throughout their lives and have the skills to access work

1.

% of 5 Year Olds with Good Level of Development

More Doncaster 5 year olds are experiencing a good level of development as a foundation for a fulfilling life. In Doncaster over 70% of 5 year olds reach a Good Level of Development. This has continued to rise and remains in line with the national average in 2017 and above all other benchmarks. This has increased by 28 percentage points since 2013.

68.1% Similar Authorities

68.8% Yorkshire & Humberside

70.7% England

Over 70% of 5 year olds in Doncaster have a good level of development



Data Source: Early Years Foundation Stage Profile 2016/17, DfE

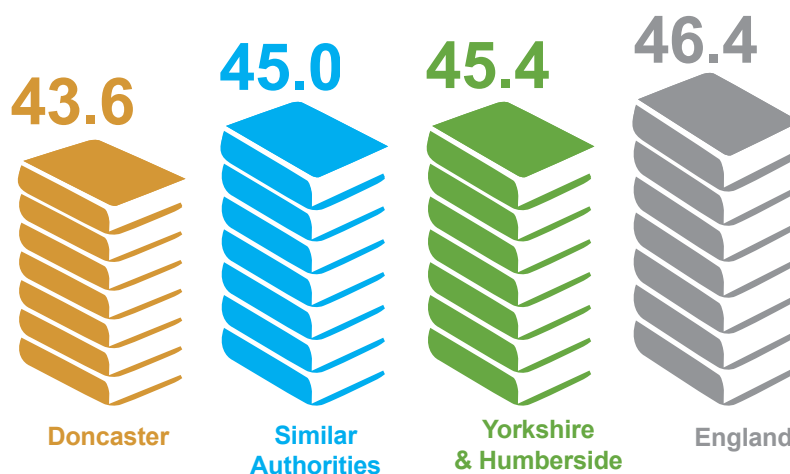
Our Improvement Journey: The latest provisional KS2 data for Reading, Writing and Maths combined shows an improvement of 7% compared to the national average of 3%. The 2018 Doncaster figure is 60% (National 64%). This should provide a positive foundation for improved GCSE performance and better life chances.

The overall percentage of early years providers rated 'Good' or 'Outstanding' by Ofsted in Doncaster currently stands at 99% against a national figure of 94%.

2.

Attainment 8 – an averaged GCSE score

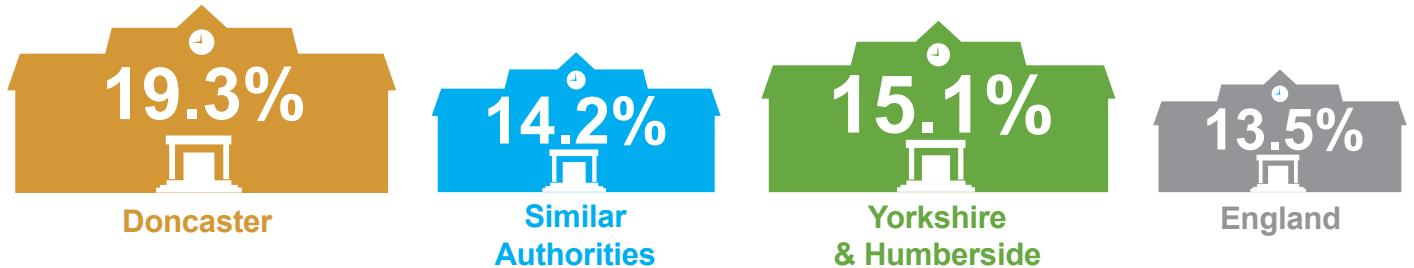
The trend shows we are closing the gap with comparators, although further improvements are needed. Early indications for 17/18 show that the percentage of pupils achieving a standard pass (grade 4 or higher, equivalent to a grade C) in both English and Mathematics has remained around the same since last year. Mathematics has been of particular strength in 2018 across Doncaster with the majority of schools making substantial improvements in the proportions of pupils achieving at least a grade 4.



Data Source: GCSE and equivalent results in England 2016/17, DfE

3.

Persistent Absence in Secondary Schools (% Full Year)



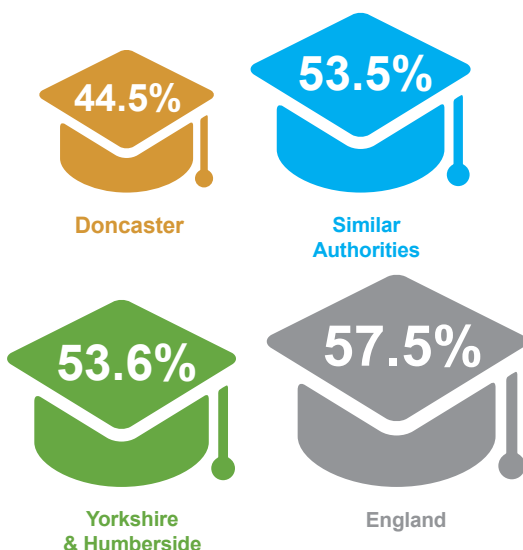
There has been an increase of persistent absence for both Doncaster and for comparators, however in Doncaster this has been at a faster rate. Our local provisional analysis shows a slight improvement for the first two school terms of 17/18 but it still remains higher than the national average.

Data Source: Pupil absence in schools in England: 2016/17, DfE

4.

% of 19 Year Olds who Achieve a Level 3 Qualification

Provision indications for 2018 show that the percentage of students in Doncaster achieving at least one A Level pass is now above national average by 1.7 % and now stands at 99.3%. Also the percentage of A to A* grades in Doncaster has improved from 19% to 22.8%, significantly closing of the gap to national figures. The number of 19 year olds who have achieved a level 3 qualification (A Levels or equivalent) in Doncaster has reduced from 48% in 2012/13 to 44.5% in 2016/17. This does not follow the national, regional and similar authorities trend which over the same period have remained relatively static.



Data Source: Level 2 and 3 attainment by young people aged 19 2016/17, DfE

5.



% of People who are Qualified to Level 3 or Above (16 – 64)

The proportion of working age population with a level 3 qualification or above has historically been lower than regional and national comparators. These figures are based on surveys and the evidence shows that the figure of 40.8% is likely to be higher in reality but probably still lower than comparators.

49.0% Similar Authorities
52.3% Yorkshire & Humberside
57.1% England

Data Source: Annual Population Survey Jan 2017 – Dec 2017, Nomis

Case Studies

These case studies provide an insight into community based learning in Doncaster and the work to raise the aspirations of young people and their employability skills.

Higher Rhythm

Higher Rhythm are matched to Coppice school through the Doncaster Enterprise Adviser Network. This innovative pairing allows Coppice students to experience a commercial recording studio and a project that introduces them to the music industry.

Students will develop an understanding of what makes an enterprise successful and what skills they require. The project will involve students creating, performing, recording and releasing a single.

They will also be responsible for marketing and budgeting for this release and will create and design their own logo and record label. Consideration will also need to be given to the timing of the release and customer service.

Students will research what a business plan is and create a plan for their business. Support for the students will be provided by Higher Rhythm and school staff every step of the way.

Throughout this project learning will be closely linked to the curriculum. This project will finish with an evaluation of the project by the students – how well it went, its impact and also a review of their own participation in it. This will be combined with a celebration event to acknowledge the young people's achievements.

Doncaster Chamber sponsors Doncaster College Apprentice Employee Award Category

Doncaster Chamber proudly sponsored the 'Small Employer' category at Doncaster College's annual Apprenticeship Awards 2018.

The awards are designed to acknowledge and celebrate apprentices and employers' exceptional contributions to their workplace. The winner of the award was Chamber member, Keyhole Creative Media, who employs Ewan Neal who was 'Highly Commended' in the Commercial Enterprise and

Creative Apprentice Award category. Chamber member, Clarks Vehicles Conversions won the 'Large Employer' award

Every year Doncaster College and University Centre hosts the prestigious event to celebrate the success of its apprentices and employees; this year was a very special occasion as they celebrated their tenth anniversary of the Awards.

“Sponsoring this award was a natural fit for Doncaster Chamber, due to our ongoing support and promotion of apprenticeships in the town. Recently the Chamber gave its own three apprentices permanent contracts to continue their valued work supporting local business and education, so we have seen first-hand the positive contribution apprentices can make to a business. We would encourage all employers to consider hiring apprentices in their own businesses and congratulate all of the award winners.”

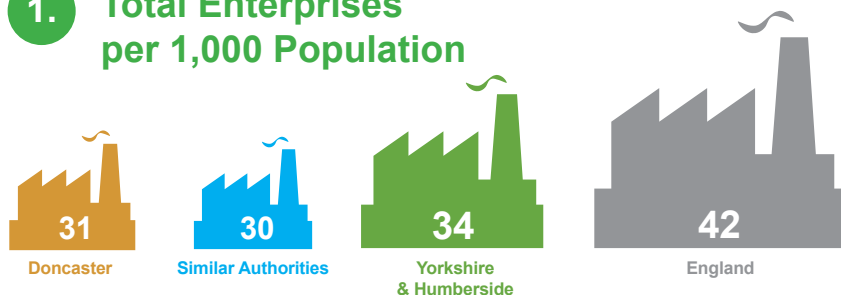
**Tina Slater, Doncaster Chamber
Business and Education Manager**

Doncaster | Working

Residents benefit from a thriving and resilient economy

Team Doncaster's ambition is for an even stronger and more productive economy with more thriving businesses and increases in both the number and quality of jobs available to residents.

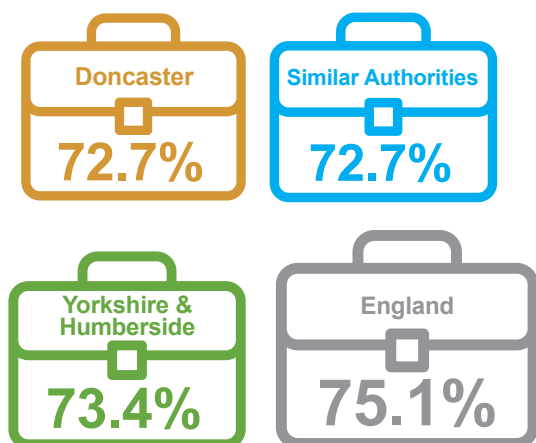
1. Total Enterprises per 1,000 Population



Data Source: 2017 UK Business Counts, Nomis

Doncaster continues to make steady progress in increasing the number of local enterprises and remains higher than the average for similar sized authorities. However more work is needed to attain similar rates for the regional and national benchmarks. There has been an increase of 280 overall enterprises since 2016.

3. % of Working Age Population Employed



Doncaster's employment rate continues to improve since the low of 64.4% in 2011 and is at an 11 year high. However, it is lower than the Yorkshire & Humberside and England averages.

Data Source: Annual Population Survey Jan-Dec 2017, Nomis

Outcomes

- The number of businesses in Doncaster increase and more of them export
- More people are in sustained work
- More jobs are created in the local economy
- More people in Doncaster are completing good quality apprenticeships
- Fewer people are claiming out of work benefits
- More people are employed in good quality jobs
- Wages increase for Doncaster residents
- Doncaster's economy is more productive

2. Number of Jobs in Doncaster

Doncaster has experienced a small reduction following the 2015 high, reducing by 1,129 jobs from 2015 to 2016.



Data Source: 2016 Business Register and Employment Survey, Nomis

4. Exports Per Job

Exports per job for Doncaster are lower than other comparator cities and much lower than the national average. National analysis suggests that firms that export are more likely to experience revenue growth and add employees than firms that don't.

Updated data will be available for next year's assessment.



Data Source: 2014: Exports per job 2014, Centre for Cities

5. % of Working Age Population Claiming Out of Work Benefits

The number of people claiming out of work benefits in Doncaster has remained relatively static with only an estimated 49 extra claimants from 2016 to 2017. However the Doncaster rate is still comparatively high.

11.0% Doncaster

11.0% Similar Authorities

9.7% Yorkshire & Humberside

8.3% England

Data Source: Benefit Combinations (Out of Work) November 2017, DWP



Doncaster | Working

6. % of People Employed in Director, Managerial, Professional and Technical Occupations



This is an increase of 3,700 since last year. The gap with comparators has reduced to 11.2 percentage points below the national figure, 5.9 below the regional average and 3 below similar authorities.

Data Source: Annual Population Survey Jan-Dec 2017, Nomis

7. Gross Value Added per Worker

This GVA measure mirrors the regional and national trend of little growth in productivity. However, in Doncaster it is £3,010 lower than Yorkshire & Humber and is £13,320 lower than the United Kingdom figure.



Data Source: West Yorkshire Combined Authority/Experian, Yorkshire & Humber Regional Econometric Model 2016

8. Median Wage Rate (£/Week)



Data Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 2017, Nomis

All areas have experienced some small level of growth in wage rates. However Doncaster's is only £0.40, whilst the similar authorities' growth is £2.90, Yorkshire and Humber is £4 and England is £11.10. This means the gap with the national average is widening.

9. Advanced Apprenticeships Starts per 1,000 Population



6.7 Doncaster

7.3 Similar Authorities

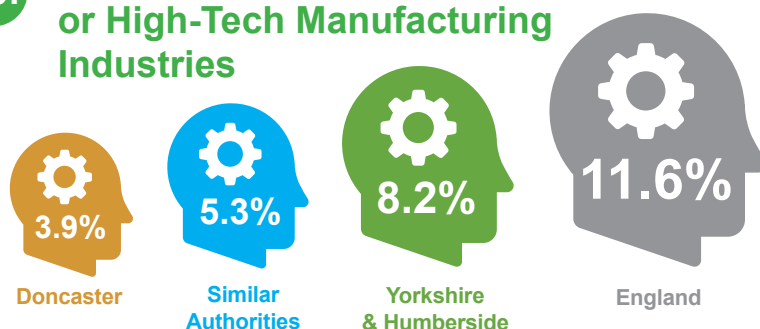
6.5 Yorkshire & Humberside

5.6 England

The number of advanced apprenticeship starts for all ages in Doncaster has decreased slightly for a 2nd consecutive year, but remains higher than the England average.

Data Source: Apprenticeship Starts and Achievements 2016/17, Department of Education

10. % Job Knowledge Intensive Services or High-Tech Manufacturing Industries



In Doncaster the number of knowledge intensive jobs has reduced by 650 from 2015 to 2016 and the percentage has reduced from 4.3% to 3.9%. The percentage of jobs for similar authorities and Yorkshire & Humber has also reduced, although the national figure has been steadily increasing since 2010.

Increasing the quality of jobs available remains a key challenge, which includes increasing the proportion of knowledge intensive/high-tech jobs in our economy.

Data Source: Business Register and Employment Survey 2016, Nomis

Case Studies

These case studies provide an insight into the support for local enterprise and work to connect local people to new job opportunities.

Doncaster, the perfect location

– VKN Digital

In 2017 VKN Digital moved out of London and headed north. Why would a company founded in London and with clients in Dubai, Australia, India and across the UK choose to do this?

According to VKN Digital the bottom line is that 'Doncaster is in the beginning stages of a booming metropolis, and we want to be a part of it'.

This is combined with Doncaster's low property prices, growing economy, central UK location, excellent road, air and rail connectivity (London is just 95 minutes away by train), open space,

beautiful scenery and relaxed atmosphere.

Doncaster is the 9th largest economy in Yorkshire contributing to a total economic output of £88 billion, 7% of the UK's total. Doncaster is full of bright minds and great ideas, a clear selling point to VKN Digital's team of creative people who are now ready to work with Doncaster businesses to create new brand images and improve digital marketing strategies.

VKN Digital's move to Doncaster is a ringing endorsement of a place 'that's ripe for renewal, rebirth and a new perspective'.

Young Doncaster Resident Overcomes Barriers of Autism to Achieve Paid Employment and Independence

– Luke

Luke is 25. He works in catering at a local restaurant. He also has Autism.

Traditionally, adults just like Luke with a learning or social disability face barriers to becoming independent, be it their options for housing and accommodation, training or more often, employment.

Doncaster organisation, Employment Support Ltd worked with him to provide specialist supported training and work experience in the Mayflower Bar and Restaurant in Austerfield.

Although his parents were initially quite concerned about Luke breaking out into the world of work, and he had his challenges brought by his Autism, Luke flourished and was offered permanent, paid employment at the restaurant.

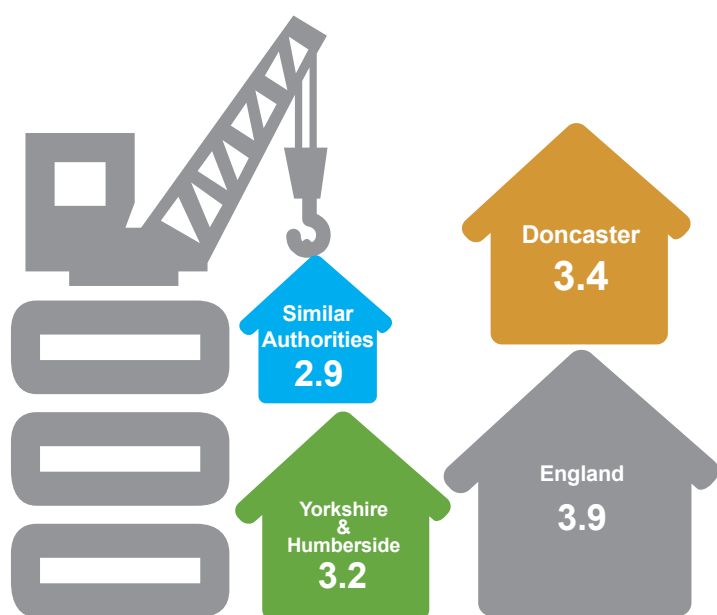
Luke is now well on his way to achieving his independence, with his own finances which allows him to contribute to his family home and he is looking forward to working towards his goal of getting his own place. This has been key to ensure that Luke's decisions were made based on his strengths, rather than his barriers.

Doncaster | Living

Doncaster is a modern, thriving and safe place to live, work and visit

Team Doncaster's vision is for Doncaster's people to live in a borough that is vibrant and full of opportunity, where people enjoy spending time.

1. Number of Net Additional Homes Built (Per 1,000 Population)



Doncaster still has a relatively good rate of house building.

The number of net additional homes built in Doncaster in 2016/17 was 1,049 which is 3.4 per 1,000 population. Following continual increases since 2012/13 this has been the first decline in figures, reducing by 113 since 2015/16. However the rate remains higher than similar authorities and Yorkshire & Humber. Local data for 17/18 indicates that Doncaster has had a record year for house building with 1,173 net homes provided.

Data Source: net additional dwellings 2016/17, Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government. All the figures are provisional and subject to revisions pending the release of future census dwelling stock data.

2. Number of Homeless in Priority Need

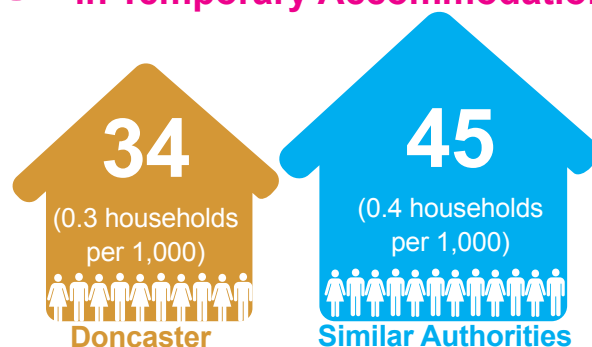
Reducing the number of homeless people in priority need remains a challenge.

There were 346 people (2.7 per 1,000 households) that were accepted as being homeless in 2017/18. In order for Doncaster to at least match the national rate of 2.4, it would need to reduce this figure by 30 people.

346
people
homeless in
2017/18

Data Source: Statutory Homelessness Statistical Releases (Annual) 2017/18, Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

3. Number of Households/People in Temporary Accommodation

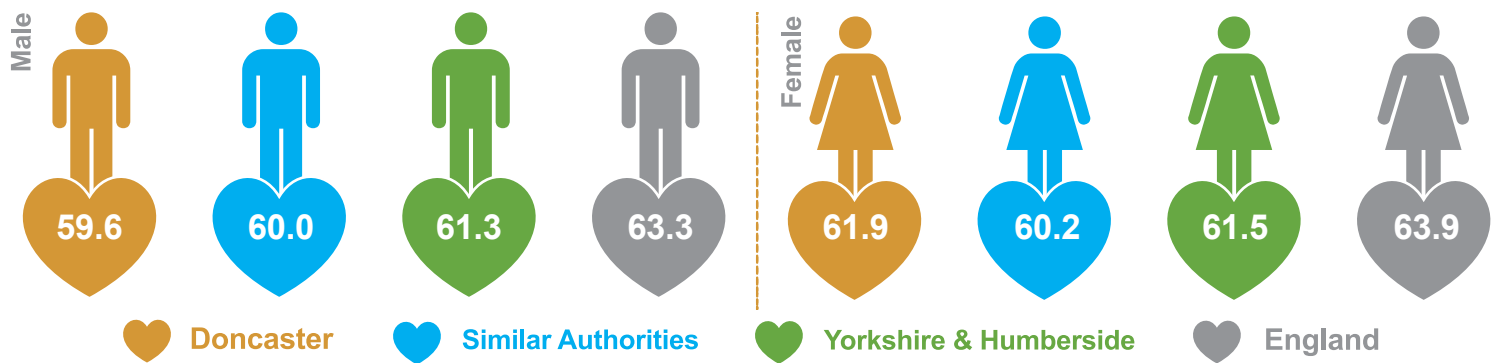


There were 34 households (0.3 per 1,000 households) living in temporary accommodation during 2017/18. This has increased by 9 households since 2016/17 but remains below the similar authorities' average.

Data Source: Statutory Homelessness Statistical Releases (Annual) 2017/18, Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

4. Healthy Life Expectancy at Birth

This is a measure of estimated expected years of life in good health.

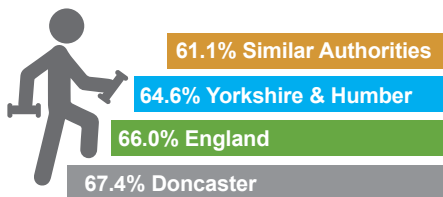


Healthy life expectancy has increased for females and is higher than the average for the Yorkshire and Humber and Similar Authorities. It has levelled out for males and remains lower than comparators

Data Source: Public Health Outcomes Framework 2014-16, Public Health England

5. % of Population who Achieve 150 Minutes of Physical Activity per Week

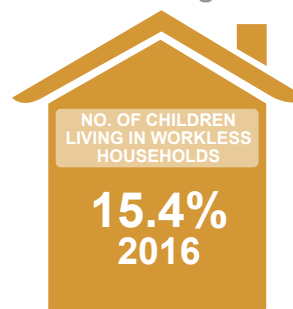
Doncaster has experienced an increase from 58.6% in 2015/16 to 67.4% 2016/17. Whilst this data is only based on a survey, this indicates a positive trend which should be monitored and further understood.



Data Source: Active Lives Survey, Sport England. This indicator replaces the previous Physical Activity indicator provided by Public Health England and covers adults aged 19 and over.

6. Children Living in Workless Households

The number of children in workless households has reduced significantly, but remains a challenge.



Doncaster has experienced a significant decrease of nearly 10%, a drop of 6,000 children, between 2015 and 2016. However the Doncaster rate is higher than comparators. Updated data is not available for 2017.

Data Source: Annual Population Survey Jan-Dec 2016, Nomis

7. Child Poverty

The most recent data shows that child poverty within Doncaster is at 21% (13,930 children). Whilst there are fluctuations over time the Doncaster figure remains higher than comparators

19.6% Similar Authorities
18.6% Yorkshire & Humberside
16.6% England

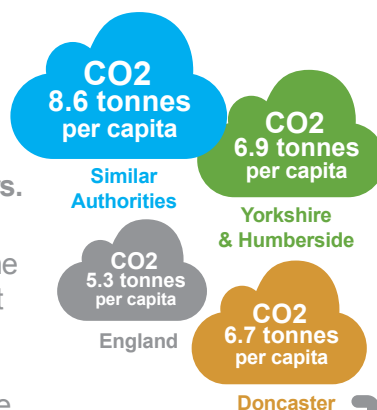


Data Source: Children in Low-Income Families Local Measure 2015, HM Revenue & Customs

8. CO2 Emissions per Capita (Tonnes)

CO2 emissions are falling. Doncaster still contributes more than the England average but less than other comparators.

Actions to achieve inclusive economic growth aspirations need to also consider the impact on the local and global environment – for example the potential impact of economic growth on the number of cars and lorries using Doncaster's roads and the subsequent CO2 emissions.



Data Source: Local Authority Carbon Dioxide figures 2016, Department of Energy and Climate Change

Doncaster has reduced CO2 emissions from 9.4 tonnes per capita in 2005 to 6.7 tonnes in 2016

Case Studies

These case studies provide an insight into community based activity to improve Doncaster as a place to live.

Delicious Doncaster

Delicious Doncaster Food and Drink Festival made a triumphant return to Doncaster for the second time with a mouth-watering menu of attractions.

More than 70,000 visitors came to the town centre in May 2018 and helped to boost the local economy by just under £1m.

One of the UK's favourite cookery duos The Hairy Bikers were the star attractions of the festival along with multi – Michelin award winning chef Jean-Christophe Novelli.

Delicious Friday saw students and lecturers from Doncaster College host a number of cooking demonstration sessions including curry, fish and dessert dishes.

There was also the 'Ready Steady Cook Challenge' featuring market traders as well as a cooking demonstration from 'A Taste of Peru' to wow audiences. For home bakers there was the 'Great Doncaster Bake Off' which pitted the public's culinary skills in two categories – Sweet Treats and Savoury Delights.

Scrumptious Sunday saw a series of talks and interactive sessions in the main marquee. A worm composting workshop from 'Urban Worms' taught people how they can make their own worm composting bins. 'Bentley Urban Farm' showed how to make planters out of reclaimed materials and host a seed bombing workshop. There was also a workshop on Slow Food and the Slow Movement delivered by Michael Price of 'Clam and Cork'.

The final day of the festival, Mouth-watering Monday, celebrated all things local. There were demonstrations from local chefs Michael Price and Colin Robson-Wright, plus the heat was turned up again thanks to a Taste of Peru and Fula Flavour. Local suppliers and producers took centre stage in the day packed full of the very best food and drink around.

There was also plenty more on offer in the surrounding areas, including entertainment at Clock Corner, Baxtergate and Goose Hill plus a programme of events at the Mansion House.

Summit event aims to Get Doncaster Moving

On Thursday 17 May 2018 the first Get Doncaster Moving (GDM) Summit event welcomed over 75 attendees.

Set up to engage with local businesses, sports clubs and voluntary sector organisations with an interest in sport and active lifestyles, attendees were introduced to the five strands of the GDM programme and informed about how they could get involved in the GDM network, as part of the wider Doncaster Growing Together strategy.

The Summit featured updates from the Yorkshire Sport Foundation, Welcome to Yorkshire and motivational guest speaker, Simon Wheatcroft, a Doncaster resident and ultra-marathon runner who refuses to let blindness hold him back.

“Get Doncaster Moving aims to help Doncaster’s communities become healthier and more vibrant, by increasing participation in physical activity and sport. Through the programme we want to show that physical activity and sport should be fun and enjoyable, bringing people together, with individuals achieving their own aspirations.”

**Dr. Rupert Suckling, Director of
Public Health at Doncaster Council**

Residents live safe, healthy, active and independent lives

Team Doncaster's vision is for a borough that cares together for its most vulnerable, building upon people's existing support networks and the resources that are available in communities.

Outcomes

- Fewer people are delayed from leaving hospital attributable to the NHS and Social Care services
- Fewer people require health and social care services and vulnerable people are safe
- More people remain healthy and independent for longer with fewer people that are socially isolated
- The number of preventable deaths reduce
- People in end of life care die in a place of their choosing

1. Average Number of Delayed Transfers of Care From Hospital on a Particular Day Taken Over The Year per 100,000 Population

Delayed transfers of care from hospital are relatively low and reducing. We have made significant improvements.

Doncaster's rate has fallen to an average of 7.2 delayed days in 2017/18. This has followed similar trends across comparators areas which have all experienced a drop after steady rises over the last few years



| | |
|------|------------------------|
| 7.2 | Doncaster |
| 8.9 | Similar Authorities |
| 10.9 | Yorkshire & Humberside |
| 12.4 | England |

Data Source: Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework 2017/18, NHS Digital

2. Proportion of Children in Need per 10,000 Population

This is a measure of all children who are referred to Children's Social Services even if no further action is taken. The number of children in need per 10,000 has gradually been increasing from 345.9 in 2013/14 up to 404.2 in 2016/17 (this equates to 2,646 children). This is in contrast to the national trend which has been gradually declining since 2013/14. Local data for 17/18 shows the rate has continued to increase since then too although there are no comparisons for this yet.

Doncaster Children's Services Trust has moved from 'inadequate' to 'good' in its Ofsted rating – the fastest rate of progress across the country.

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|-------|------------------------|
| 404.2 | Doncaster |
| 394.1 | Similar Authorities |
| 348.9 | Yorkshire & Humberside |
| 330.4 | England |

Data Source: Characteristics of children in need: 2016 to 2017, DfE

3. Rate of Permanent Admissions to Residential Care per 100,000 (65+)

The rate of permanent admissions to residential care continues to reduce and the number still at home 91 days following a period of reablement continues to remain in line with comparators, reflecting positive work in enabling residents to live independently in their own homes.

Doncaster's figure decreased from 1,084.6 per 100,000 population in 2014/15 to 753.8 in 2016/17 (195 fewer people in care aged 65 and over). This is however still higher than comparators. Local data for 2017/18 shows the rate has continued to decrease, although there are no comparisons for this yet.

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|-------|------------------------|
| 753.8 | Doncaster |
| 684.4 | Similar Authorities |
| 658.4 | Yorkshire & Humberside |
| 610.7 | England |

Data Source: Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework 2016/17, NHS Digital



4. The Proportion of People Still at Home 91 Days Following Period of Reablement

Doncaster's figure continues to remain in line with comparators and the national figure. It has remained relatively static for the past 4 years. Local data for 17/18 indicates that the Doncaster figure has improved.

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|-------|------------------------|
| 81.8% | Doncaster |
| 81.9% | Similar Authorities |
| 83.4% | Yorkshire & Humberside |
| 82.5% | England |

Data Source: Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework 2016/17, NHS Digital



5. Avoidable Deaths in Local Population (Mortality Rate Per 100,000)

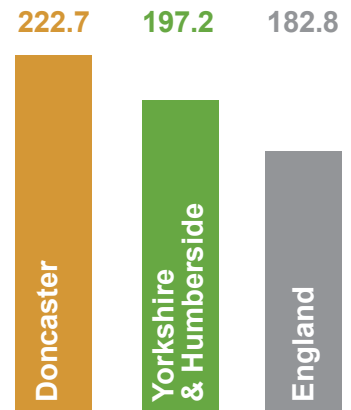
Avoidable deaths are lower than 10 years ago but have levelled out over the past four years. These are deaths that could have potentially been avoided using preventative public health interventions. This figure will be influenced by public health issues such as Doncaster having higher than average rates of smoking and obesity.

More recent local data indicates that avoidable deaths per 100,000 have reduced since 2014-16, although a gap still remains with the England average.

Avoidable deaths have levelled out over the past four years.

Avoidable deaths remain higher than comparators

Data Source: Public Health Outcomes Framework 2014-2016, Public Health England



6. % of Adult Social Care users who have as much social contact as they would like

Doncaster's rate has continued to fluctuate and has now slightly reduced from 45.7% in 2015/16 to 43.0% in 2016/17. This has now reduced below the comparators and national figure. Local data for 17/18 indicates that the Doncaster figure has increased.

43.0% Doncaster

44.8% Similar Authorities

45.6% Yorkshire & Humber

45.4% England

Data Source: Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework 2016/17, NHS Digital



7. Emergency Admissions to Hospital per 100,000 Population

Although Doncaster's figure has reduced slightly in 2017/18, it still remains higher than similar authorities and the national average.



12,173 Doncaster



10,546 Similar Authorities

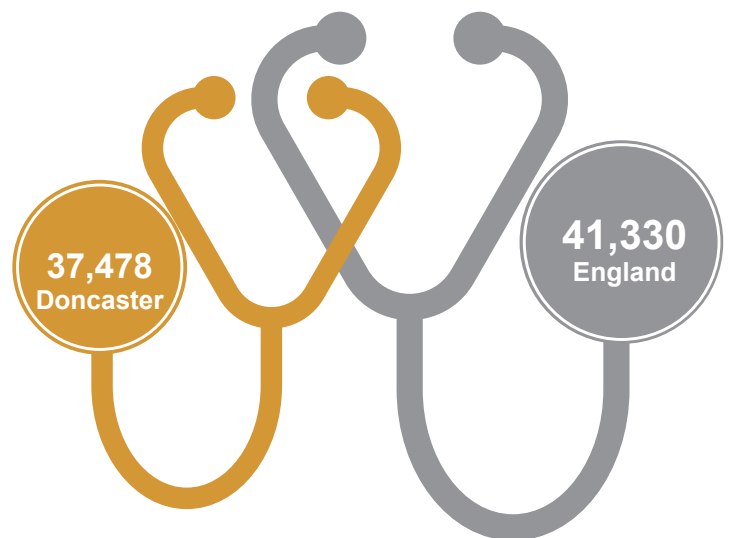


12,006 England

Data Source: A&E Attendances and Emergency Admissions Collection 2017/18, NHS England

8. A&E Attendances per 100,000 Population

After a reduction between 2014/15 and 2015/16, Doncaster's figure continues to rise during 2017/18. This is following the national trend, although Doncaster remains below the England average.



Data Source: A&E Attendances and Emergency Admissions Collection 2017/18, NHS England

Case Studies

These case studies provide an insight into the work to support vulnerable adults and families to have a better quality of life.

Supported Living Facility launched

One of the first projects that has been successfully launched as part of the Doncaster Growing Together agenda has been the introduction of a new six bed facility to provide supported living for care leavers to learn valuable life skills.

This has been the result of a successful partnership between the Doncaster Children's Services Trust, Doncaster Council and St Leger Homes. The aim of the facility is for young people leaving care to be prepared for independent living.

Young care leavers will have their own rooms, with communal areas and a shared kitchen, and the Trust will provide round the clock, on-site support, as well as running a life skills programme which will include guidance around general housekeeping, healthy eating, gardening, money management and social interaction.

Previously the Trust has had to rely on expensive out of area placements, private supported accommodation providers and group living arrangements to provide support to its care leavers.

This new facility will not only be more fit for purpose but will also be more cost effective.

The new facility welcomed its first residents earlier this year and it is expected that the maximum length of stay for any young person will be roughly six to twelve months. After this period, if they are ready, the care leavers will be supported to move on and access their own tenancy.

“This is a fantastic example of working together to help young people get the life skills and support they need to make the next big step in their lives and into independent adulthood. This is a great, creative idea and underlines how Doncaster Growing Together (DGT) can make a difference to people's lives.”

Ros Jones, Mayor of Doncaster

Community Led Support

Community led support is an approach that is being rolled out in Doncaster to ensure that communities are at the heart everything we do.

Community led support involves the council and social care partnerships working together with their communities and staff, to provide support that responds to local needs and builds on local strengths and priorities.

Support for Carers and Mental Health are two service areas that have recently been co-produced using a community-led approach and will be soon be delivered from the four community hubs that will bring community groups and services together.

Community hubs have been created in each of the four areas to bring community groups and services together.

- East – The Vermuyden Centre, Fieldside, Thorne
- North – Bentley Community Library, Chapel Street
- South - Holmescarr Community Enterprise Centre, Grange Lane, New Rossington
- Central – A range of smaller hubs across the area including Balby Library, The Junction at Hexthorpe, Stirling Centre, Community House at Hyde Park and the CAN Office, Family Hub and Baptist Church at Wheatley Park.

Community-led support is a key principle of the social care transformation. We will be having more conversations with communities to find out what is important to them, and how they want to be part of improvements in their community.

This **State of the Borough** assessment shows that by looking at a simple and concise suite of statistics and stories, it is possible to see **a story of people, place and community.**

Many of the challenges highlighted in this assessment are long-standing and achieving lasting improvements to quality of life takes time and requires a long-term perspective. However, we should also acknowledge progress year on year and there are examples of this across all the Themes. For example:

- **Learning:** More Doncaster 5 year olds are experiencing a good level of development as a foundation for a fulfilling life. However, Doncaster is still underperforming in GCSE and Level 3 qualifications relative to similar areas.
- **Working:** Over the past year we have seen increases in the employment rate, the number of businesses and residents in highly skilled occupations. However, static wage rates and the lower proportion of knowledge intensive jobs in Doncaster mean that attention also needs to be given to the type and quality of jobs available.
- **Living:** The increase in residents achieving 150 minutes of physical activity per week is welcome, as is the reduction in CO2 emissions. The rate of house building in Doncaster remains strong, however reducing the number of homeless people in priority need remains a challenge. Whilst it appears that child poverty is slowly reducing, it remains higher than comparators. Healthy life expectancy has increased for females, but levelled out for males.
- **Caring:** There has been positive progress in enabling residents to live independently in their own homes and delayed transfers of care from hospital have reduced. Avoidable deaths are lower than 10 years ago but have levelled out over the past four years. The number of children in need has gradually been increasing.



Learning Living

The majority of insights in the **Doncaster Population** section are broadly unchanged from last year. However, an example exception is that household projections are lower (an additional 485 households per year up to 2039, compared to 540 up to 2032).

The 'state' of a place cannot and should not be told through numbers alone. **What defines Doncaster** is more than metrics – it is the intertwining of communities, histories and futures which **creates a sense of place**. What shines out from this assessment is **partnership working** providing support that responds to local needs and builds on local strengths. This is **creating opportunities** for individuals and communities to improve their quality of life through employment, life skills, becoming more active or taking more control of their care.

Doncaster improves when Doncaster grows and that is why there is a focus on **inclusive growth** for the borough. This assessment identifies a number of socio-economic challenges. **The task is not to shirk away from these**, but it is to understand them, grip them and **tackle them head on**. The 'Doncaster Growing Together' approach that Team Doncaster has established is providing a coordinated portfolio of action to address these issues, with a focus on bringing out the best in all of us.

In many ways, an assessment like this prompts more questions than it answers. It can only be a positive thing to prompt and drive an ever increasingly deep and **informed understanding of the opportunities and challenges the people of Doncaster face.**

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