Ward Profile for
Queen’s Park

Queen’s Park Golf Course

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Population

Queen’s Park ward covers much of the area also known as Charminster and has a resident population of 11,533 in 2011. The latest estimate of the ward’s population, based on the 2014 mid-year estimate, is 12,200 with 8,600 (70%) of working age. The ward has the second largest population in the borough. The average age of residents in this ward is just under 37.

The ward is one of the most ethnically diverse. There is a significant ‘White other’ population making up 10.5% of residents. Other groups that are larger than in the borough overall include ‘White and Asian’, ‘British Chinese’, ‘Other British Asian’ and ‘Other groups’.
As at March 2016, ward claimant unemployment stood at 1.5%. The equivalent figure for Bournemouth was 1.5% and the UK 1.9%.

Environment

The character of the ward comprises large detached houses along the northern boundary of Queen’s Park Avenue; detached houses in the roads north of Richmond Park Road; Richmond Park Road is almost exclusively flat development; then detached and semi-detached housing either side of Bennett Road; and large detached houses and flats either side of Wellington Road. Part of the latter area is the Portchester Road Conservation Area. The north east corner of the ward is Queen’s Park.

Community resources

This area is served by the Queen’s Park & Charminster Community Forum, which meets regularly to discuss local issues. The Queen’s Park Improvement & Protection Society, an independent charity, works with the Council to help maintain and improve Queen’s Park. Other community facilities include, St Andrews Church in Bennett Road which runs a Youth Club.

There is a multi-agency Charminster Action Group and the area has seen the introduction of CCTV cameras. There is a well-established Traders Association in the area.

This ward is covered by Queen’s Park Children’s Centre based in Strouden Park ward with an estimated catchment population of 1,700 under 5s.

Malmesbury Park Primary School (704 pupils on roll as at January 2016) is within the ward. It is one of the largest primary school in the borough.

Schools and childcare providers in this ward include:

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**Housing**

The ward has a smaller proportion of owner-occupiers (51%) than Bournemouth (57.8%) but there are also a significant proportion of residents renting privately (40.5%). This is probably linked to the large number of purpose built and converted flats that are often popular rental properties.

In 2011, the Census recorded 5,265 household spaces in the borough. There were 2,130 houses and 3,134 flats.

Nearly 17% of households are living in overcrowded conditions based on the number of habitable rooms.

**Health inequalities**

The life expectancy at birth in 2008-2012 for Queen’s Park ward males is 78 and for females the figure is 80.9 years. Comparisons show that for males the Bournemouth figure is 78.6 years and the national figure is 78.9, while for women the Bournemouth figure is 82.9 years and the national figure is 82.8 years.
Deprivation

The rankings of the Lower Super Output Area (LSOAs) within this ward fall around the middle and show as one of the least diverse in the borough. The most deprived LSOA (Wellington Road) is 11,628th nationally or 38th locally, while the least deprived LSOA is Queen’s Park west which ranks 19,905th nationally or 78th locally.

The domain rankings reflect the middle ranking of the overall scores. Generally, the ward performs worst in respect of the Crime domain and the Living Environment domain. One LSOA, Charminster south, ranks in the 10% most deprived in England in the Crime domain with two other LSOAs in the 2nd most deprived decile. Two LSOAs fall into the 2nd most deprived decile in respect of the Living Environment.

The charts illustrate the overall index of multiple deprivation (IMD) and the individual domains results. Each LSOA in the ward is listed by its decile i.e. a score of 1 indicates the LSOA is in the 10% most deprived whereas a score of 10 means the LSOA is in the 10% least deprived in England.
Child Poverty

A report by the End Child Poverty organisation uses tax credit data and national trends on worklessness, compatible with national estimates of children living in households below the 60% median income level to measure poverty. On this basis 17.9% of children in this ward are classified as living in poverty before housing costs, this figure rises to 27.7% after housing costs are added in. This compares with 15.8% before housing costs and 25% after housing costs within the borough and 15.9% and 25.1% respectively across the UK.

Using housing benefit statistics reveals there were around 420 claimants with dependent children in this ward as at November 2015, this equates to around 32% of households receiving child benefit, the borough figure is 28.6%.

Mosaic Public Sector classification

Using data from a wide range of public and private sources, Experian has developed Mosaic Public Sector. It is a lifestyle classification and when linked to specific data sources from health, education, criminal justice, local and central government can give an insight into citizen’s requirements of these services. Additionally, it provides a ‘common currency’ that enables the same citizen to be viewed in the same way by all public bodies, thereby assisting joined-up government and partnership working. Using this data Experian classify every unit postcode by fifteen lifestyle groups and sixty-nine lifestyle types. Each of the groups and types has a description, the aim of which is to give an image of the area.
The majority of Queen’s Park population are classified as ‘Educated young people privately renting in urban neighbourhoods’ (Group J) (48%) and ‘Residents of settled urban communities with a strong sense of identity’ (Group I) (15.9%). These two figures compare with borough-wide proportions of 30.5% and 8.8%, respectively. Thirteen of the fifteen groups are represented in the ward.

Comparison between Queen’s Park and Bournemouth Borough Mosaic Public Sector Groups

Just over 15% of residents are without any qualifications and nearly 30% have a degree level qualification.

Transport

Levels of non-car ownership are similar to Bournemouth and the proportion of households with two or more cars is also similar to the borough.
Bournemouth Opinion Survey: Queen’s Park

The Bournemouth Opinion Survey is a postal survey of residents which was most recently carried out in September and October 2015 and received 3,260 responses. This gives us a reasonable level of confidence in the results for the Borough as a whole. Once broken down to ward level the margin of error is wider; for Queen’s Park the confidence interval on a 50% score is +/- 7.9%. Comparisons between Queen’s Park and the Borough as a whole, or other wards, should be treated as indicative where they fall within this range.

Satisfaction with the local area as a place to live

Queen’s Park residents gave very similar responses to this question to the Borough average. Just over eight in ten were satisfied with their local area while one in ten were dissatisfied.

Satisfaction with the way the Council runs things

Six in ten Queen’s Park respondents were satisfied with the way the Council runs things, significantly fewer than the overall score for the whole Borough (69%). One in five (20%) were dissatisfied, more than the Borough overall at 16%.

Value for money (% agree)

Four in ten Queen’s Park respondents agree that the Council provides value for money. This is significantly less than the Council average. The number who disagreed (15%) was slightly less than the Borough overall (17%) which means that Queen’s Park respondents were much more likely to give a neutral response to this question – 43% compared to 30% overall.
Anti-social behaviour and community safety

Residents were asked how much of a problem different aspects of anti-social behaviour are in their area. These results are combined to create an overall score which shows the percentage of people with a high combined perception of anti-social behaviour in their area. Across the whole Borough 22% of respondents had a high perception of anti-social behaviour.

High Perception of Anti-Social Behaviour

19%

We also asked residents how safe or unsafe they feel outside in their local area, both during the daytime and after dark.
Residents' priorities

We asked residents which five factors (from a list of 21) are the most important in making somewhere a good place to live. They were then asked which five factors from the same list are most in need of improvement in their local area. The factors with above average scores for both importance and improvement in Queens Park are:

- Affordable decent housing
- Clean streets
- Health services
- The level of crime
- The level of traffic congestion
- Road and pavement repairs

The full Bournemouth Opinion Survey report can be found on our website at www.bournemouth.gov.uk/BOS

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