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Community Profile

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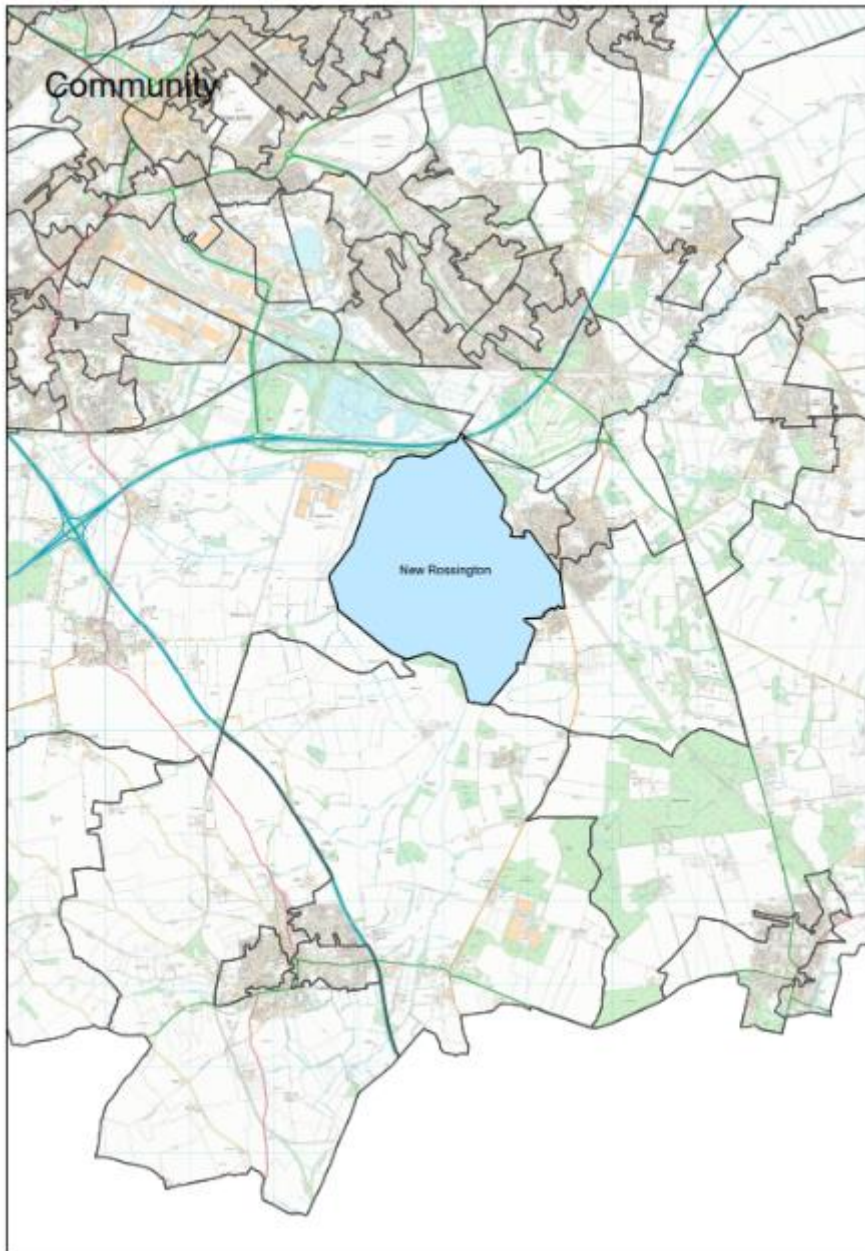
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This Report

This report uses a population health management approach to looking at the health of a whole group of people such as a town, neighbourhood, or community—instead of just focusing on one person at a time. It is designed to help community leaders, services, residents etc. understand the strengths of both people and place, whilst also looking into what health challenges are common in that group, what services are needed most, and where help is lacking. By using data and trends, this Community Profile can inform tailored ways to keep people healthy, prevent illness, and make sure everyone gets the care they need. By focusing on prevention, early intervention, and coordinated care, together we can build healthier communities and support long-term, sustainable improvements in public health. The first Community Profile was written in 2023 and has been refreshed in 2025 to reflect the current opportunities and challenges of the community.

This report focuses on the community of New Rossington, part of the Rossington and Bawtry Ward in the South of the City and begins with a summary outlining key information and priorities. This document includes conversations with communities, ward members, community organisations, faith groups, residents and other organisations who work in the area. This document is shared with the intention of supporting those conversations and sharing information that might not be readily available to local people.

To ensure each community is represented as accurately as possible, where possible, separate data and illustrations have been used. Data that is only available at ward level will be stated when included. Indirectly Standardised Ratios (ISRs) have been used throughout this document and have been used to compare data at community and ward level, against a reference population. ISRs show how often an event (such as deaths or hospital admissions) occurs in a population compared to what would be expected in a reference population, after adjusting for age differences. England is used as the reference population for ISR's throughout the document.

New Rossington



35.4% of residents, 30.2% of older people, and 51.9% of children live in poverty



49% of residents annual income is £0-£20k



Respiratory disease and lung cancer are the leading causes of death



29.6% of reception children are overweight or obese, and 40.8% of Year 6 children are overweight or obese



Educational attainment is low, with 26.2% of adults having no qualifications



Physical inactivity is widespread, with 45.9% of residents reporting no moderate exercise

One Page Summary

New Rossington is a former mining community within the Rossington and Bawtry ward in South Doncaster, with a population of 9,256. It is a densely populated area with a high proportion of socially rented housing (34%) and limited car ownership (26.2% of households have no car). The community benefits from strong transport links, local schools, and green spaces, but faces significant socio-economic and health challenges that impact residents' quality of life.

New Rossington ranks 21st out of 88 communities in Doncaster for deprivation. Poverty levels are high with 35.4% of residents, 30.2% of older people, and 51.9% of children live in poverty, all well above borough averages. Fuel poverty affects 18% of households, and food insecurity remains a major issue. Educational attainment is low, with 26.2% of adults having no qualifications and only 17.7% qualified to Level 4 or above. Employment is concentrated in low-skill, low-pay roles, and 49% of households earn under £20,000 annually, compared to a national average of £38,224. Rent arrears for social housing has risen sharply, reflecting financial strain across households.

Life expectancy is lower than borough and national averages, 76.6 years for men and 80.3 years for women and healthy life expectancy is reduced, with limiting illness starting around 58–59 years. Chronic conditions are prevalent, particularly respiratory disease, which is a leading cause of death. Lung cancer rates are among the highest in Doncaster (166.5 per 100,000), linked to smoking prevalence at 17.6% (higher than England's 14.4%). Childhood obesity is a major concern with 29.6% of reception-age children overweight or obese, and 40.8% of Year 6 children are overweight or obese, both above national averages. Physical inactivity is widespread, with 45.9% of residents reporting no moderate exercise, and around 673 households identified as inactive and low-income. Mental health issues, including self-harm admissions (103.1 per 100,000), are higher than national rates, and loneliness among older residents is significant.

Key Priorities:

- Reduce child and older-age poverty
- Improve healthy life expectancy by addressing lifestyle behaviours
- Target respiratory disease and lung cancer rates
- Increase physical activity and promote active travel, especially for families.
- Enhance educational attainment and employment opportunities.
- Expand mental health support and reduce social isolation among older residents.

Assets

Rossington is a relatively rural, former mining community that is merged between two villages with their own high street. It should be noted that these maps are a starting point in understanding the community and that further work is needed amongst the community to understand all the assets and how they are used. The maps below show different types of assets across Rossington. These have been developed using ward boundaries rather than Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOA) Asset Maps

Business Assets

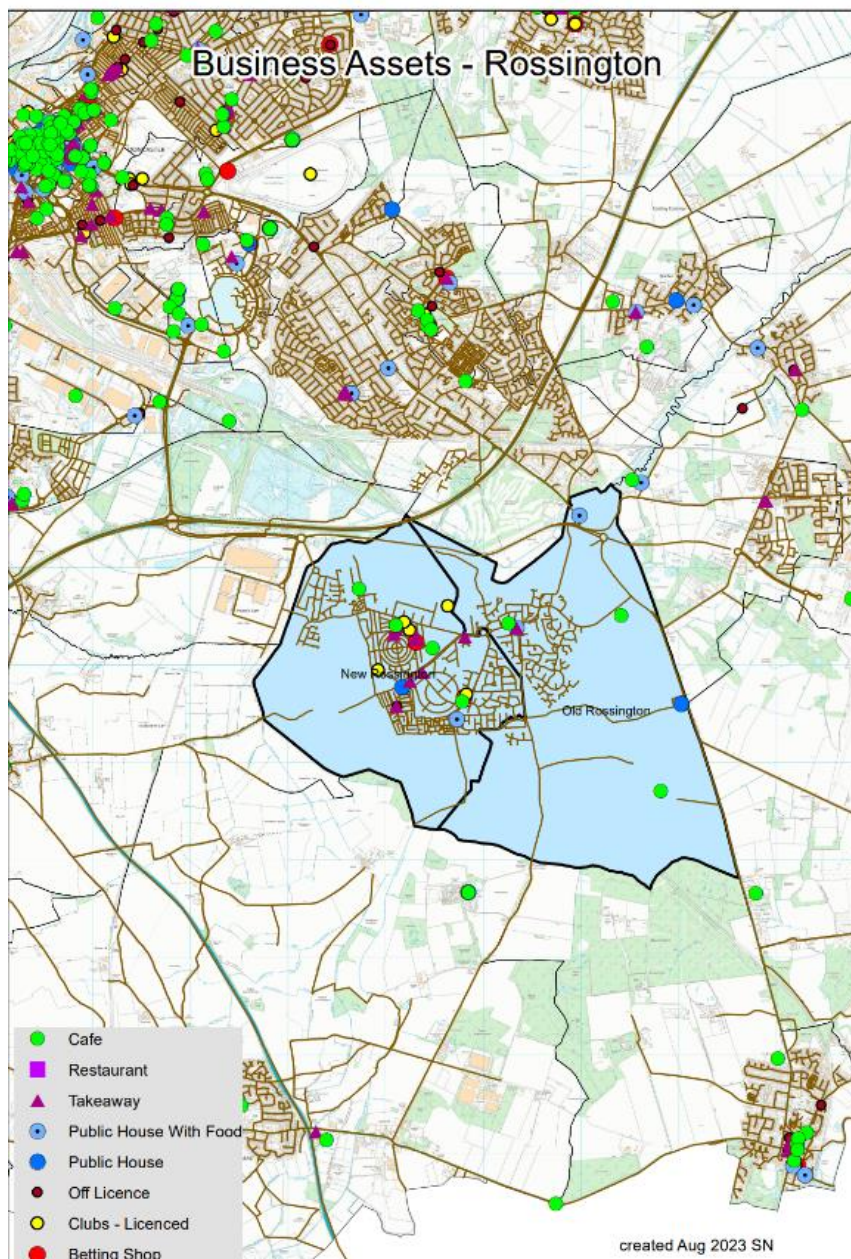


Figure 1. Business Assets in New Rossington, City of Doncaster Council 2024

Community Assets

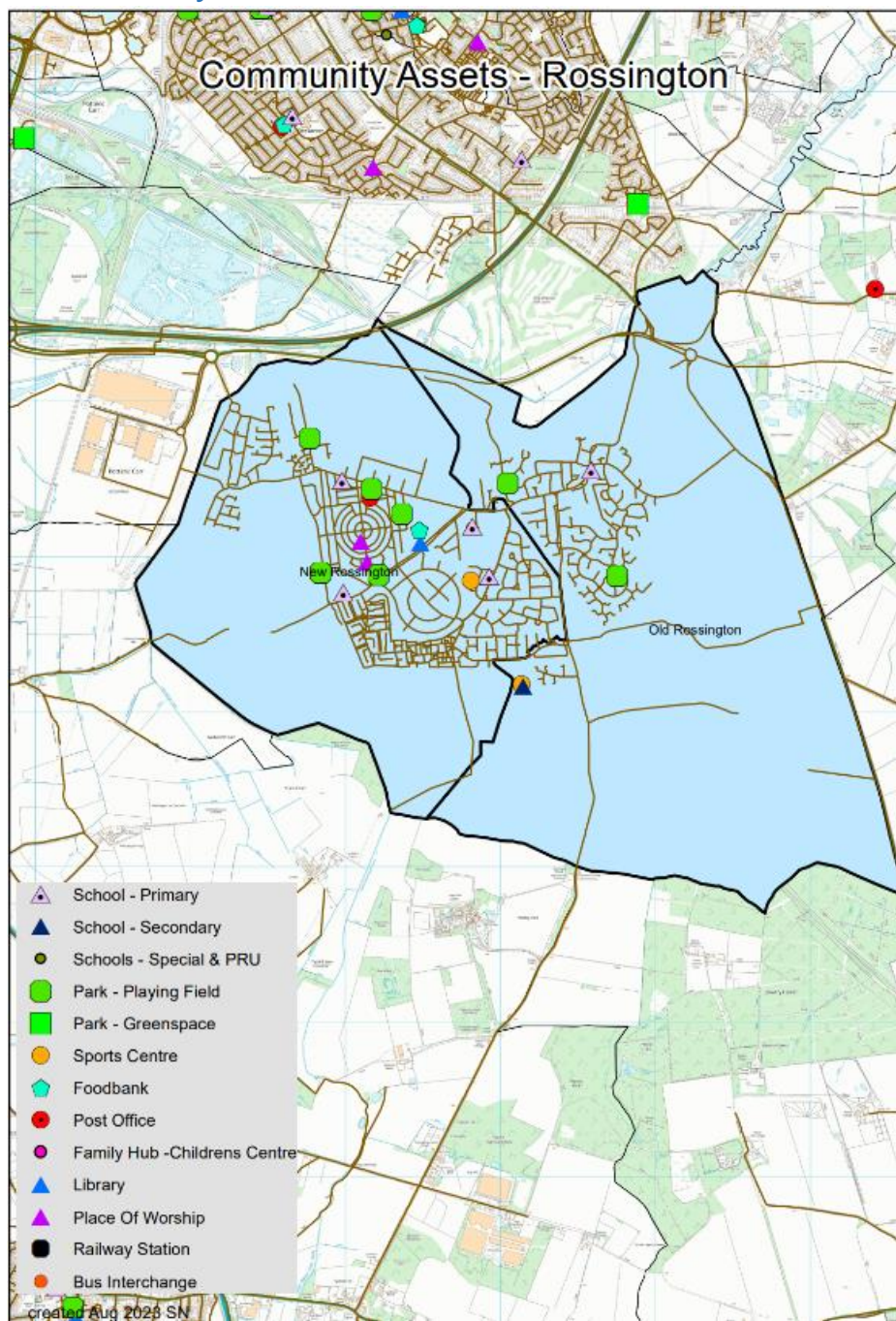


Figure 2. Community Assets in New Rossington, City of Doncaster Council 2024

Health Assets

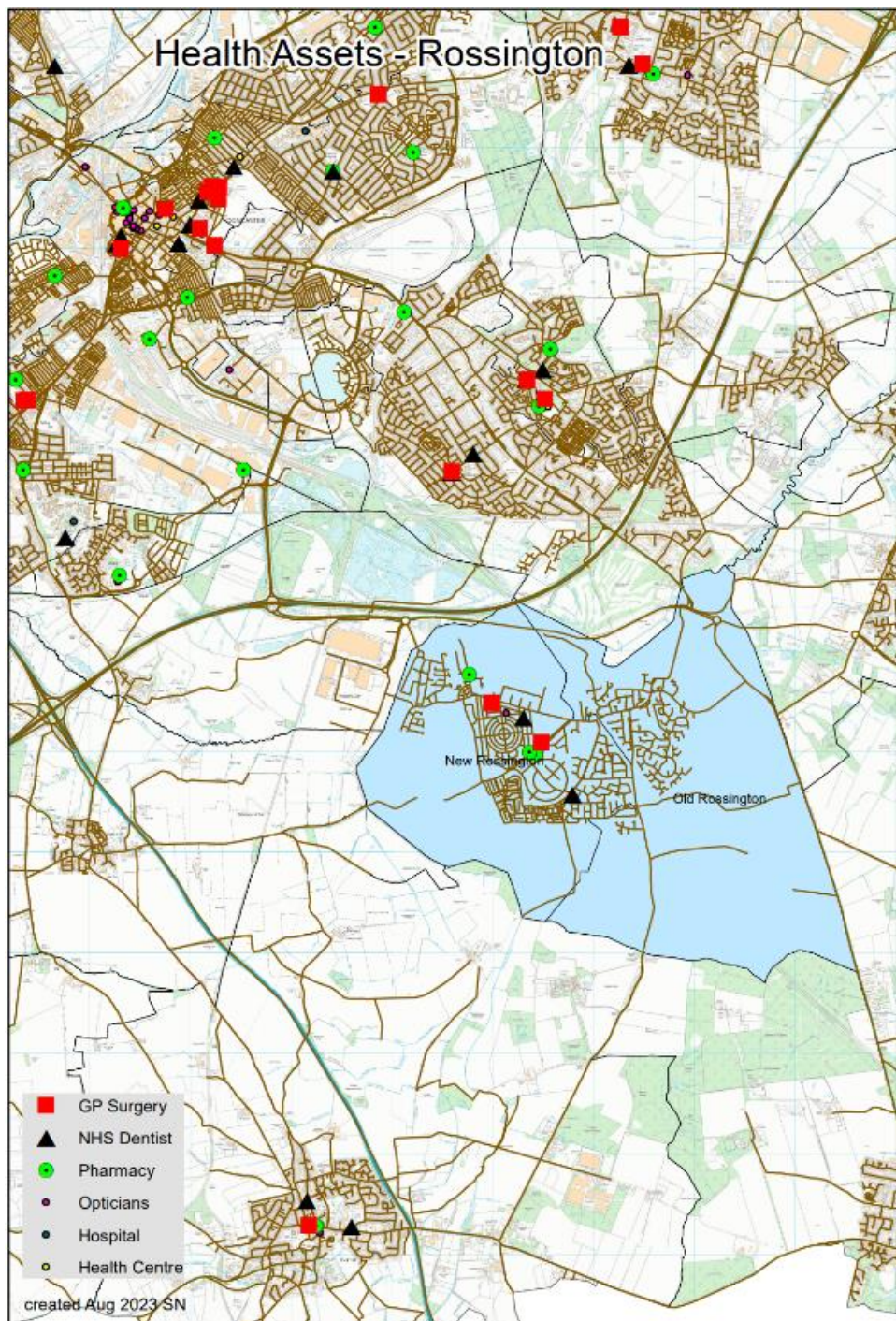


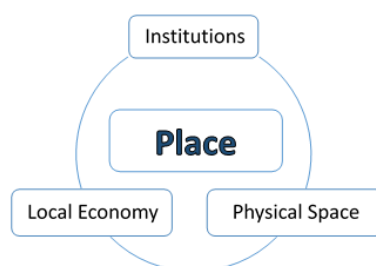
Figure 3. Health Assets in New Rossington, City of Doncaster Council 2024

Population Health Management

It is vital to understand the impact on the community of nationwide influencing factors such as the COVID19 pandemic and cost of living crisis as well as local and regional issues and opportunities. Understanding community organisations and other assets operating in the community helps up to ensure appropriate and targeted support can be offered, and work can be implemented to manage any gaps or risks associated with changes. Well Doncaster undertake regular population health management insight with community organisations in New Rossington, identifying their current status and needs, and work with each group and partners to meet their goals. This is a living document and will be updated and adapted as needs are met and change. If you would like more detail on this, please contact welldoncaster@doncaster.gov.uk

Assets in the Community

As part of a population health management approach, the following assets have been identified and updated for 2023 themed around people and places:



Institutions (Schools/colleges etc.)	Physical space (Parks, carparks etc.)	Local Economy (Local profit Businesses)
Schools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rossington St Michael's C of E Primary School Tornedale Infant School Pheasant Bank Academy Rossington All Saints Academy Grange Lane Infant Academy Rossington Early Learners – held at Holmes carr centre, they provide care and educational opportunities for children aged 2-to-5-year St Joseph's catholic primary school Bright sparks day nursery College: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National horse racing college Health: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Rossington Practice 	Green spaces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duck Pond in Rossington Brick Pond in Rossington Torne Valley Farm in Rossington King's Wood in Bawtry Playgrounds & play fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atterby Drive Grantham Street Attlee Avenue Brodsworth Way West End Lane Bankwood Crescent Holmes carr Play Area, Grange Lane St Leger communal halls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ragusa Radburn Skipwith – home of craft and creations 	Food & Beverage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jones Chip shop Pisces chip shop Pizza Jim Pizza Roma Jade garden Mings court Prime Pizza Wok this way Sunrise Chinese, Fish & chips takeaway Urban express Lucianos Addu's Indian restaurant and takeaway Miners mug cafe Olive branch Krispy fried chicken and pizza DeeDee's café and desserts Greggs Rossington food bar Death by fudge

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BJ Julius Dental Practice • Weldricks Pharmacist • Well Pharmacy • Rossington Pharmacy • West End Lane Practice • Robinson dental • Rossington dental practice <p>Emergency Services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Fire Station • Rossington Police Station – this isn't a police station where residents can go to – it is a base for the police <p>Religious:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael's Church of England Parish Church • Rossington Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses - Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses St Augustines Road Cantley Doncaster • Rossington Hope Baptist Church • Rossington Methodist Church • The Parish of Saint Luke the Evangelist New Rossington • New Life Christian Church Pentecostal • Christ the King <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Army cadets Rossington –at Cadet Centre, • Scouts - 6+, Outdoor activities, healthy living, citizen ship skills. Beavers Monday 5.30-6 Cubs 6.30-8 Scouts Wednesday 7-9 at memorial hall • Guides 	<p>Centres:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holmescarr Centre • Rossington Memorial Hall – Including School of dance, White Rose Pilates, Rossington SMILE, Rossington good neighbours, Taekwondo, Wolley Wonders, Rossington Parish Council • Community Hall, McConnell Crescent • Cadet Centre - https://armycadets.com/county/humberside-and-south-yorkshire-act/ • Sports Village Training Centre – DCLT in grounds of All Saints • Rossington Memorial Hall - The Memorial Hall is a community building and a Charity. It can be hired by anyone at a very competitive price. It has a large hall with a 5* fully equipped kitchen facility. There are also other smaller rooms that can be hired on an hourly/daily basis. It is fully disabled access with a lift to the upstairs room. There is parking within the grounds. <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Welfare Recreation Ground • Brodsworth Pavilion Brodsworth Way - • Rossington Miners Welfare Scheme – runs Gardeners Association • Royal British Legion – Rossington • Rossington hall • Rossington labour club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DJ Fresh bakery • Urban express • The Styrrup <p>Shops/ Supermarkets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASDA • Lidl • Go local extra • RSPCA charity shop • One stop • Heron foods • Salvation army • Station road stores • B&M store • Radburn road stores • Kalkut's premier convenience store <p>Fitness & Gym facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming pool • Fraser Performance Coaching • Elmfield Gymnastics Club • Rossington Community Sports Village • One Clinical Pilates <p>Care Homes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benton House Nursing Home • Gattison Care Home • Children's homes as well • The Royal care home <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington tools hardware shop • Rase Veterinary care • Ladbrokes betting shop • Tee's barbers • New Rossington post office • Micks Carpets • Metro secure 24 (locksmith) • Flutterby bridal boutique • Rossington Vape • Guys and dolls hairdresser • Fionas flowers • Ramy's Barber • Epiphany hairdresser • Go outdoors • Mark Jarvis betting shop • Rossington autocentre • Meraki hairdressers • Russet tanning
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INDIVIDUALS (Key Individuals within the community)	ASSOCIATIONS Local Groups/Clubs	STORIES (Good news stories)
<p>Individuals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holmesarr Ark and Craft Rossington Community Connection Parish council Bawtry Here2Help Skipwith Gardens Ragusa Centre Methodist Church Baptist church Radburn Community centre Welfare Crickey Social Club Rossington Memorial Hall Market place St Micheals Rossington Main FC Radburn TARA <p>Professionals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well Doncaster Councillors Stronger Communities PCSOs Family Hub MIND community connector 	<p>Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holmesarr Arks and Craft – Holmesarr centre. Runs multiple groups and support for community members. Also has a café Family Hub – Supporting families, babies and parents. The following sessions are run at the hub, Dad's time, busy babies, first friends, stay and play, toddler time, Light Pre and Postnatal Support, Stop Smoking Pregnancy, Breast Start. Rossington Hope Baptist Church – church, messy church, food bank (Thursday am only) Rotary Club of Doncaster Trust Fund - Fund raising for local good causes. Holmesarr SMILE - provides day activities and projects for older people, adults with learning disabilities and individuals who require specialist support Rossington Food Bank, part of Doncaster Foodbank – supporting those who are in financial crisis held at Holmesarr Community Centre Gattison House - Provide personalised residential and EMI residential care for older people also respite and day care. Anyone over the age of 65yrs or anyone who has an older person's related illness or disability. Rossington Miners Welfare – provide support and have a number of groups that meet at the centre Radburn TARA Rossington Good Neighbours – qualified Cooks provide a freshly cooked 2-course meal every Wednesday and Thursday at the Memorial Hall where a friendly and sociable welcome is made to everyone who attends. There is bingo, light exercise and massage for anyone who may wish to partake. The volunteers also deliver a 2-course hot meal to anyone in the village of Rossington who is either over 50, or of any age if they are vulnerable in any way. If you're not sure just pick up the phone and we will try our best to help you. 	<p>Stories</p> <p><i>Arks & Craft: There is a lady who is visited weekly. She is elderly and her daughter lives in North Yorks so finds it difficult to sort out shopping for her Mum. The weekly visits include a chat and she rings her daughter every time to report that the visit has made her feel better. We post letters for her too Another one had been in hospital between visits (a fall) and a nurse opened the door and was delighted because there was not much in the house to help the lady, so the pack filled the gap and saved a journey for the nurse We try to provide the ingredients for a meal, so cheese and eggs were well received. I could go on...</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Parish Memorial Hall- runs various groups and community events • The Doncaster Cancer Support Drop In - The meetings are held to support people living with cancer and their friends and families to access all the charities and organisations in Doncaster and surrounding areas. every 1st Thursday of the month 11am- 1pm and every 3rd Tuesday of the month 6pm & 8pm and are held at Ragusa Centre <p>Town Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Parish Council <p>Sport clubs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leisure centre - Swimming, Swimming Lessons, fitness suite, £1 swim for Rossington residents. • Rossington wheelers cycle club - 50-80 mile club rides Each , Sunday, meet at the church, 0930 Rossington Wheelers Club profile • Doncaster Hybrid Martial Arts - • Aquafin Training Ltd & Dolphin stars Swim School Ltd – holmes carr centre, Teaching children swimming, from ages 2 & 1/2 onward, specialise in disabilities and teacher training. • Rossington Hornets Rugby Union Club – runs from Rossington Miners Welfare Ground http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/rossingtonhornets/ • Harvester Archers • Holmes carr Cycling group - 16+, Local rides on quiet roads and paths. Always at the pace of the slowest rider. Meet wed, 1pm • Rossington Main FC • White Rose Pilates • Rossington Community Sports Village • ACMAC Martial Arts School • Riding for the Disabled Rossington Hall Group - To provide riding and equine experiences for people with special needs held at Northern Racing College • Doncaster Hybrid Martial Arts • Rossington Bowls Club • Rossington Cricket Club <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Baby and Toddler Playgroup – held at Baptist church • Rossington Veterans Breakfast Club - second and last Saturday of the month at 10:00 for Breakfast at Bawtry Caravans Café • Sharon Richards Singing School – Sunday 5-6 at Holmes carr • Craft & Creations – held at St Leger Skipton Craft activities and workshops for all ages and abilities term time every Wednesday craft club 4-5:30pm • Coffee Morning - Rossington Methodist Church • Rossington Male Voice Choir – at memorial centre • No Limits Dance Theatre Productions – at Memorial Hall 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardeners Association • WI - To enhance member life's and play their part in the community through education, demonstrations, craft workshops, speakers, social outings 01302 868197 • Rossington Library • Skipwith Gardens Hall has some groups that meet – St Leger will have details • Keeping Rossington Tidy Litter Pick – Gaynor Spencer – Parish Councillor is the organiser • Rossington Parade Group – Elaine Spencer • Rossington holiday activity programme – Jon Whitely from DCLT 	
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Community Insight

Appreciative Inquiry

The Well Doncaster Team undertake Appreciative Inquiry (AI) within communities to gather insight to support code signing action plans with the community. Armstrong (2020) suggests that reframing the questions in light of a crisis like Covid-19 and drawing on strengths and assets from past positive experience will help participants as they restructure their community. The AI questions are structured to pull out the successes of the past and present, to seek new potentials and possibilities and build on those through the Dream and Design stages.

Community insight gathering has been ongoing in Rossington. All responses have undergone a thematic analysis, and themes have emerged indicating key assets and strengths of the community. These are being developed through dream workshops and fed into the Rossington Positive Action Group, a resident led group of stakeholders developing community activity and events. Data was analysed using a framework analysis approach (Ritchie and Lewis, 2003). Framework Analysis involves a systematic process of sifting, charting and sorting the material into key issues and themes allowing the integration of pre-existing themes into the emerging data analysis.

Thematic analysis of Appreciative Inquiry involves identifying and examining recurring themes or patterns within the positive stories, experiences, and perspectives shared by community members. It seeks to understand the strengths, values, and successful aspects that contribute to a thriving community. The process involves extracting common themes from narratives gathered through AI, allowing for a deeper understanding of the community's assets and aspirations. Through this analysis, communities can build on their strengths to facilitate positive change and shape future support and investment.

The Appreciative Inquiry included the following steps:

1. **Discovery Phase** – This involved engagement with the residents of Mexborough to find out what is working well in the community. Responses were themed to allow priorities of the community to be established.
2. **Dream** – Residents and key stakeholders were invited to attend an initial workshop to discuss what ideas they have for their community and how these will meet the priorities highlighted in the discovery phase.
3. **Design** – All attendees were invited back for a second workshop to develop an action plan to direct work for the community.
4. **Destiny** – A collaborative way of working established and investing resources to meet the actions from the previous phase.

Data was analysed using a framework analysis approach (Ritchie and Lewis, 2003). Framework Analysis involves a systematic process of sifting, charting and sorting the material into key issues and themes allowing the integration of pre-existing themes into the emerging data analysis. Insight included in this framework covers the time periods of 2021 – March 2025 and includes conversations with a total of 292 residents of all ages.



AI theme framework:

Theme	Sub theme	Quotes	Commentary
Community Spirit	Caring and Friendly	Surrounded by older neighbours who are all very caring, friendly and supportive and watched children grow up. Ref: RB3401	<p>Insight from residents reflects a deep-rooted community spirit in Rossington, shaped by neighbourliness, shared history, and active participation in local life. Both long-standing traditions and newer initiatives contribute to a cohesive and supportive environment where people feel connected and valued. Residents highlight the importance of friendly and supportive neighbours.</p> <p>Social inclusion is seen as a defining feature of Rossington, benefiting both long-term residents and those who have recently moved to the area. This sense of welcome helps maintain a positive and resilient community identity. Community groups play a vital role in fostering interaction and belonging. They provide entertainment and activities, but more importantly, they act as social lifelines—particularly for older adults or those at risk of isolation. These groups help ensure that everyone has opportunities to connect and feel part of something bigger. Residents reinforce the need for places and groups where people can socialise. Accessible and inclusive community spaces are seen as essential for maintaining Rossington's strong sense of togetherness and ensuring that no one is left out. Continued support for local groups and investment in inclusive spaces will help sustain this positive environment and keep neighbourly connections at the heart of community life.</p> <p>The sense of togetherness is deeply rooted in Rossington's heritage and appears to have shaped a strong collective identity, where mutual support is both expected and valued. The community is not only seen as a physical location but as a network of relationships that support wellbeing and belonging. The emphasis on local support systems, whether</p>
	Community Groups		
	Togetherness and Collective Identity	Important to have places/groups to socialise with. Ref: RB4424	
	Social Connections and Support Systems	The community spirit – used to be a pit village, everyone looks after each other, really band together when needed. Ref: R69	
	Family Relationships	I like Rossington. Lots of different community groups in Rossington. I like to come to Wolly Wonders and Happy Hearts. Happy Hearts are on once a month. At Happy Hearts they've had a choir come and sing before, had sandwiches and cakes, bingo, quiz etc. Ref: BR4584	
	Local support		
	Heritage	Moved here about a year ago and I've got nothing bad to say about the place. I've found it really easy to settle in and become part of the community. The people here are really nice. Ref: R5304	
	Social Inclusions		
	Community Identity	People look out for each other... Used to know police officers by name... Felt safer back in the day... I keep in touch with my neighbours. Was the norm to have wardens back in the day on each street to let you know of local	

	<p>Belonging</p> <p>Accessible</p> <p>Inclusive</p> <p>Mutual Support</p>	<p>things happening in the community. Ref: R79</p>	<p>through neighbours, groups, or informal networks, reflects a resilient social fabric that continues to adapt while retaining its core values.</p>
Connectivity	<p>Transport Links</p> <p>Accessibility</p> <p>Ease and Convenience</p>	<p>Great Yorkshire Way. Close to the M18 and access to A1. Ref: RB3340</p> <p>Pretty good bus service to get into town, Lakeside etc. Good location. Ref: R5311</p> <p>Very accessible to the motorway. LIDL is convenient for us, on your doorstep. Ref: R5615</p>	<p>Residents highlight Rossington's advantage of being close to major transport links. This local connectivity makes it easy to access surrounding communities and Doncaster city centre, offering flexibility for work, leisure, and shopping. The ability to travel further afield without difficulty is also seen as a key benefit of living in the area. Alongside strong transport links, residents value the presence of essential retail services within close reach. This adds to the convenience of daily life, reducing the need for long journeys and supporting a sense of self-sufficiency within the community. Resident insight suggests that maintaining reliable transport connections and supporting local retail options will be important for sustaining Rossington's appeal. Continued investment in these areas will help ensure residents can enjoy both local convenience and easy access to wider opportunities.</p>
Greenspaces	<p>Parks</p> <p>Community Assets</p> <p>Connecting People</p>	<p>Used to go on field for walks when we had a dog, we have picnics on Brodsworth Park, Attlee Park is good. Ref: R5390</p> <p>Go to the duck pond, go for walks at Atterby Park with my family. There is a new outdoor gym at Brodsworth Pavilion. It's quite out of area though (edge of village). Would have been good if the outdoor gym was more central so more</p>	<p>Residents voice the importance of local parks and greenspaces as vital community assets. These areas provide more than just recreational opportunities and offer a sense of place and continuity, connecting people to their surroundings and to each other. Historically, parks served as multifunctional hubs for leisure and social gatherings. While this continues there has also been a noticeable move toward individual or family-oriented recreation, often linked to health and wellbeing. Activities such as walking,</p>

	Community Hubs	families had access to it. Ref: R69	exercising, and spending time outdoors reflect a growing interest around personal wellness.
	Health and Wellbeing		
	Community Identity	Back in the 80's welfare had a swing and slide, pool – it was always cold! Welfare used to have a rose garden with a bandstand in the middle. Ref: R71	Insight illustrates a deep relationship between residents and their local greenspaces which is being shaped by current changing needs. Parks are seen as spaces where memories are made and traditions continue, reinforcing their role in community identity. To fully realise the potential of parks as inclusive, vibrant public areas, future developments must incorporate more than physical improvements. Residents emphasise the need to consider the social and historical connection that links communities to these spaces, ensuring they remain welcoming and accessible for all.
	Heritage and History	The flower beds popping up around the village are lovely. You can see where the council are making an effort, the new signs are good as well.	
	Accessible	Ref: RB4764	
Events and Activities		Beautiful Green Areas	
		There is lots of beautiful green areas of space for us as residents to use and enjoy. Ref: RB4973	
		There are lots of parks, some aren't as well respected as others and could do with updating. Ref: RB4999	
	Physical activity	Always come to Halloween events, skate park, swimming. Youth club at Brodsworth has potential. Ref: R5389	Resident insight reflects a strong interest in physical activity and family-oriented events, highlighting Rossington as a lively and connected community. Existing initiatives provide a solid foundation for engagement, while comments suggest opportunities to improve communication and inclusivity. Conversations with residents reveal high levels of participation in seasonal and family-focused activities. Popular events such as Halloween celebrations, skate parks, swimming sessions, and local festivals are well-received and contribute positively to community cohesion.
	Family Friendly		
	Connected Communities	Take kids swimming, would like a mini Kix here, football programmes... Like they do events here at Holmescarr and at Family Hub. More family time sessions where mixed	

	Community Ownership	ages can come along. Ref: R5391	The mention of litter-picking ahead of festivals demonstrates a sense of ownership and pride among residents. While current activities are valued, residents express a desire for more family time sessions that accommodate mixed age groups. This points to a need for intergenerational events that foster family bonding and strengthen community inclusion. Rossington's enthusiasm for events and activities is a clear strength. Continued support for family-friendly initiatives, improved communication about what's on, and investment in inclusive spaces will help maintain momentum and ensure everyone feels part of community life.
	Community Pride	Word of mouth is important here with regards to activities and groups. Community Facebook page exists but things could be promoted better. Pride of Rossington celebrates local people.	
	Community Inclusion	Ref: R5508	
		I come to all the events with my daughter. I like the festivals in Rossington. I help do the litter picking to prepare the site for the festivals... I like the firework displays. Ref: R5586	
		The football club is brilliant. Ref: R3140	
Community Assets	Community buildings	Holmescarr Centre is great – there's lots going on there and plenty of support available. It would be nice to see more going on in there. Memorial Hall is good. Ref: R5510	Resident insight reflects a generally positive view of community assets, particularly community buildings and local amenities. These spaces are seen as central to social life and provide opportunities for connection, recreation, and support. The Holmescarr Centre and Memorial Hall are identified as important hubs for community activity. Alongside these, smaller venues such as communal halls are also valued, showing that localised spaces play a meaningful role in fostering interaction and inclusion. While residents appreciate existing assets, there is a clear desire for more diverse offerings. Some express dissatisfaction with the prevalence of takeaway outlets and call for alternatives that support social interaction, leisure, and lifestyle variety. This reflects a broader interest in amenities that go beyond convenience, focusing instead on creating vibrant spaces for community engagement. Rossington's community assets provide a strong foundation for local life. Continued investment in inclusive spaces and a wider range
	Amenities		
	Social Connections	Things are cheaper compared to down south where we used to live... LIDL is convenient for us, on your doorstep. Go to the Family Hub sessions, walk to Annabells Café. Ref: R5615	
	Recreation		
	Support	I like to go to Skipwith Gardens communal hall, I shop at the local shops, we've got a couple of supermarkets, ASDA. There used to be a good market in Rossington. Ref: R79	

	Community Events		of amenities will help meet evolving expectations and ensure that these assets remain relevant and beneficial for all residents.
	Inclusion	Would like fewer takeaway places, would like a coffee shop or just something different. Ref: R5585	
Health and Wellbeing			
Theme	Sub theme	Quotes	Commentary
Health	GP's	Going to gym. Eat healthy food. Going for hikes and walks. Relax. Ref: RB3340	Resident feedback reflects a strong understanding of health among community members, encompassing physical activity, nutrition, mental wellbeing, and access to healthcare services. This awareness underpins a culture where health is seen as a shared priority. Several respondents demonstrate a proactive approach to maintaining wellbeing. Activities such as regular exercise, healthy eating, and conscious lifestyle choices are common themes. Residents recognise the importance of preventative behaviours—such as staying active and managing stress—in supporting long-term health. Rossington's vibrant community spirit is evident in its interest in physical activity and family-oriented events. These initiatives not only promote fitness but also encourage social interaction, reinforcing the link between health and community cohesion. While the foundations for health and wellbeing are strong, feedback suggests opportunities to enhance communication and inclusivity around health initiatives. Continued support for accessible activities and clear information on local services will help ensure that everyone can benefit from Rossington's health-focused culture.
	Exercise		
	Healthy Eating	Health is a precious gift – we need to take care of it. Ref: RB3405	
	Accessibility	Need to exercise more and eat healthily due to heart condition. I find walking difficult. Ref: RB3625	
		Mental health is a massive thing for me. Ref: RB4114	
		Worried for NHS – needs funding properly, need to look after our GPs. Ref: R4632	Notes: Whilst quotes and commentary are mostly positive regarding GPS and appointments. Some residents throughout the
		Having doctors and medication. Just to get through days without pain and problems. Ref: R4673	

		<p>Being able to get a GP appointment and consistently see the same GP. Ref: R179</p> <p>Being able to get appointments – never had a problem though getting one. Want to keep doctors separate, need doctors on both ends of village. Ref: R5391</p>	<p>years have expressed concern about being able to get an appointment.</p>
Wellbeing	<p>Volunteering</p> <p>Socialising</p>	<p>I like to be social and chat to people. Ref: R79</p> <p>The Holmescarr Centre helped me to become a volunteer... Volunteering has had a good effect on my wellbeing. Ref: R5586</p> <p>We look forward to Happy Hearts – helped people get out of the house and integrated into their community... Able to see other people. Ref: R5509</p> <p>Important to me to be able to shut off from the world sometimes and go for walks in the countryside. Family time is also really important for my wellbeing... There needs to be more wellness spaces in the community. Ref: R179</p> <p>Helping people helps you as well... To feel we all matter. Ref: R539</p>	<p>Both structured and informal opportunities for socialising play a vital role in enhancing quality of life and wellbeing for residents.</p> <p>Volunteering was also a key theme in analysing wellbeing. For residents volunteering seems to provide a sense of purpose and fosters social inclusion and personal growth. The structured support of community centres appears to be a key enabler in this process and group activities can combat isolation and promote good mental health.</p> <p>Residents also state the importance of everyday social contact in maintaining emotional wellbeing. This highlights the need for accessible spaces where casual interaction can occur naturally, such as cafés, parks, or community venues.</p>

Doncaster Talks

In 2019 Doncaster Talks undertook insight across the borough of Doncaster. Responses were separated into wards and thematically analysed. Across Rossington and Bawtry ward, 125 responses were received (0.72% of the Ward). The main themes on what people liked about the area, what could be improved, and what the borough should focus on are displayed in the figure below.

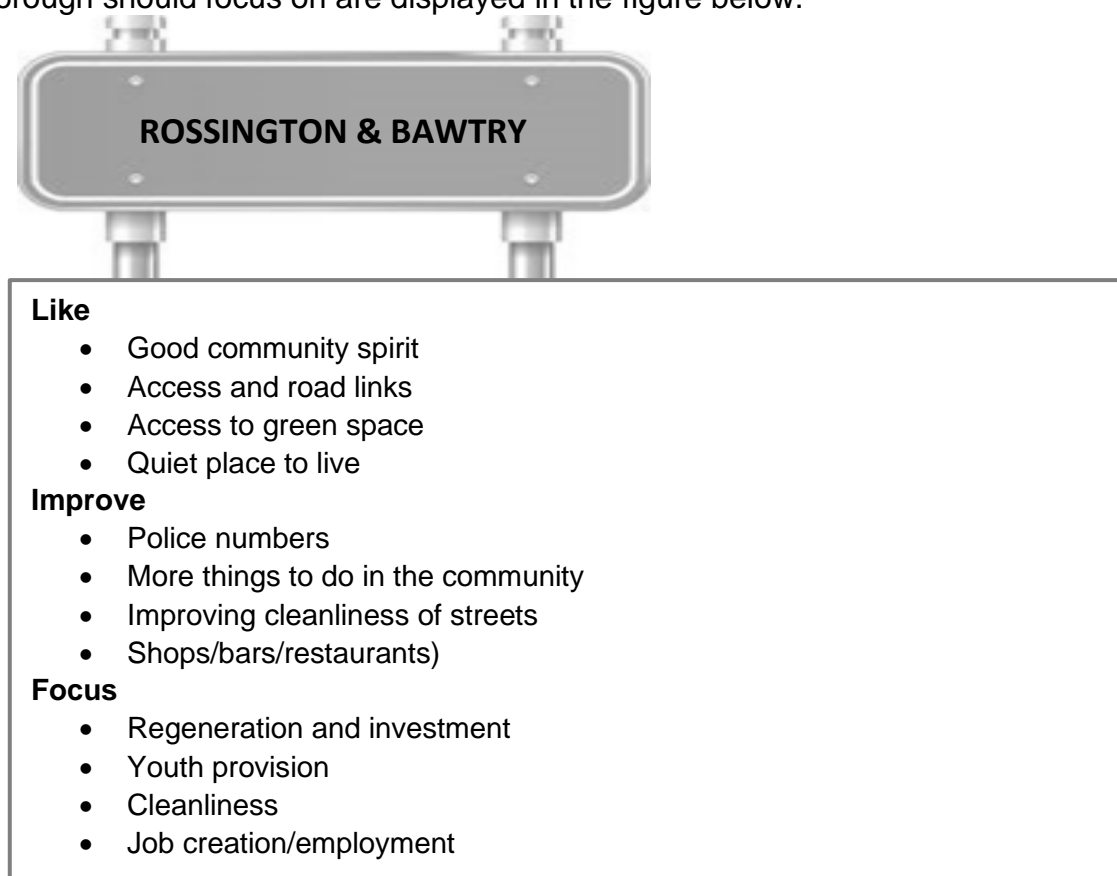


Figure 4. Rossington and Bawtry Doncaster Talks, City of Doncaster Council, 2019

Ward Members

The Rossington and Bawtry ward have three ward members. Councillor Blake and Councillor Anderson and Councillor Guest who were elected in May 2025.



Councillor Bob
Anderson

Rossington and
Bawtry
Labour



Councillor Ken
Guest

Rossington and
Bawtry
Labour



Councillor Lee
Sammut

Rossington and
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Labour

Health and Wealth

Health inequalities are avoidable differences across the population, and between different groups within society. Health inequalities arise from the conditions in which we live, work and play. These conditions influence our opportunities for good health, how we think, feel and act, therefore shaping our health and wellbeing. Evidence shows that people living in our most deprived areas face the worse health inequalities in relation to health access, experiences and outcomes. Deprivation covers a range of issues and refers to unmet needs caused by a lack of resources, including but not limited to finances, housing and education. It is measured in different ways including the Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD). New Rossington has an IMD score of 36.02 in 2025, compared to 40.1 in 2019, and is ranked 21st out of 88 communities in Doncaster.

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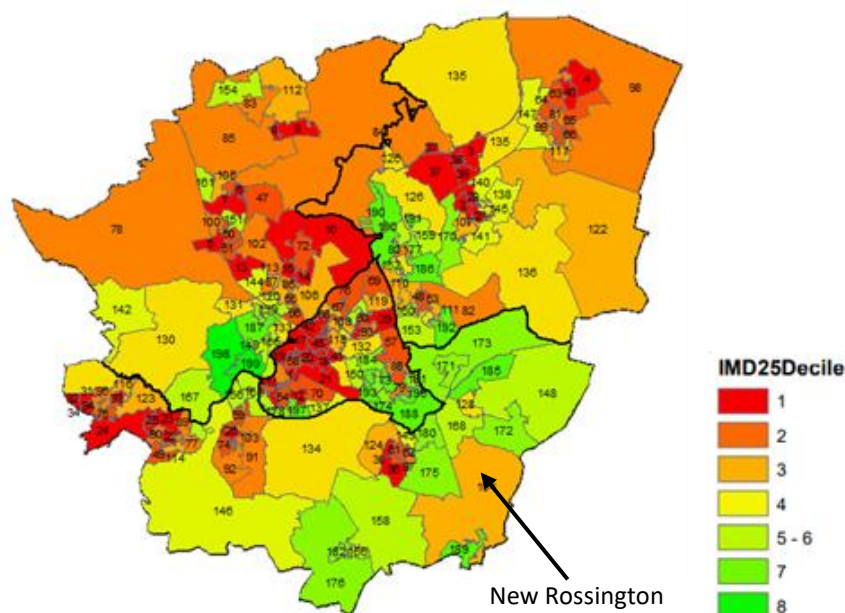


Figure 4. City of Doncaster Deprivation by Lower Super Output Area (LSOA), Office of National Statistics, 2025

The 2021 Census produced data that classify households in England and Wales by four dimensions of deprivation: employment, education, health and disability, and household overcrowding. The Census 2021 data breaks down this information into household deprivation at a community level, with New Rossington compared to Doncaster and England.

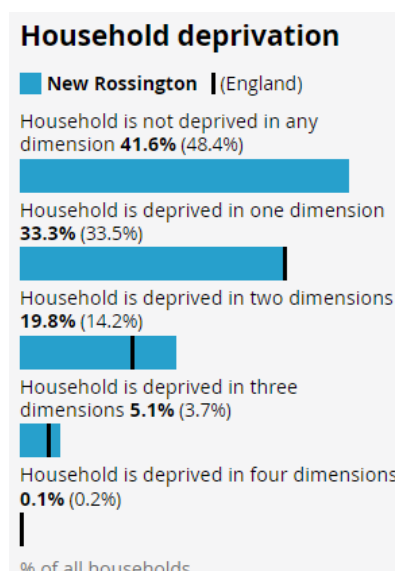


Figure 5. New Rossington Household Deprivation, Office of National Statistics, 2021

41.6% of households in New Rossington are not deprived in any dimensions which is lower than Doncaster (43.7%) and England (48.4%). Similarly, 19.8% of households are deprived in two dimensions, which is higher than Doncaster (16.7%) and England (14.2%), and households deprived in three dimensions (5.1%) is higher than Doncaster (4.6%) and England (3.7%).

There are areas of Rossington which are deprived in 4 dimensions – particularly streets surrounding Skipworth Gardens Communal Hall such as Skipworth Gardens, Foljambe Crescent and Streatfield Crescent as can be seen below. Although this is a small percentage, these areas and local assets should be considered in reducing health inequalities.



Figure 6. Households Deprived in 4 Dimensions, Office of National Statistics, 2021

Furthermore, a high proportion of residents are suffering income deprivation (15.0%), higher than England (12.9%) along with high levels of socially rented housing (21.2%) compared to Doncaster (17.0%) and England (17.1%) which may be a contributing factor and should be considered when addressing health inequalities.

Wealth Inequalities

In 2025, 37% of New Rossington Middle-Layer Super Output Area (MSOA) residents are experiencing poverty, higher than the Doncaster average of 29.3%. This is a significant increase from 2019, where 23.9% of New Rossington MSA residents were living in poverty.

The proportion of older people in poverty in New Rossington MSA (33.7%) is higher than the Doncaster rate (19.4%), and similarly to all people, this has increased (from 22.2%) since 2019.

Furthermore, 52.6% of children are living in poverty in New Rossington MSA, similar to the Doncaster average, 47.1%, an increase from 31.6% in 2019.

When considering the change from 2019 to 2025 data, it is important to note that there have been changes to the calculation of the source data, the income deprivation domain in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation. While it can be inferred that there has been an increase in the proportion of people living in poverty, the changes in this indicator may contribute to the significance of this change.

At community level, the data differs slightly, with 35.4% of all New Rossington residents experiencing poverty, 30.2% of older people and 51.9% of children.

The prevalence of older people living in poverty and children living in poverty is significantly higher than nearby Old Rossington at 6% and 18.4% respectively.



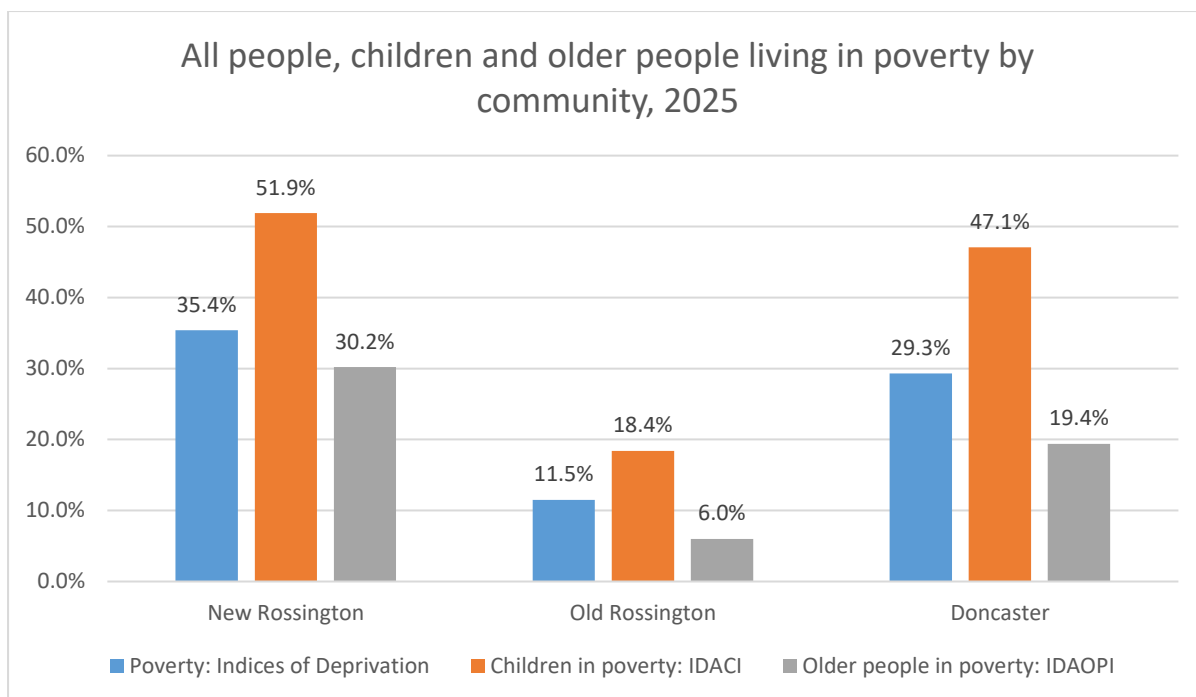


Figure 7: Poverty Prevalence using IMD25, Office of National Statistics, 2025

Another measure which may indicate deprivation is the number of cars in each household. This should also be considered when considering health interventions within the communities as it may be a barrier to accessing services.

New Rossington has a high proportion of households with no cars or vans (26.2%), higher than Doncaster (24.4%) and England (23.5%) and a much lower percentage of households with 3 or more cars or vans (6.6%) when compared to Doncaster (8.1%) and England (9.1%).

Employment

New Rossington has high levels of deprivation, and this could be understood further by looking at the community's employment figures. In 2021, the number of people unemployed in Rossington & Bawtry Ward was 3% and has now increased significantly to 5.1%. However, this is still lower than Doncaster (6.1%) but similar to England (5.0%).

In 2021, 5.5% of the population were claiming universal credit, and this has now decreased to 3.43%. Furthermore, 49% of households earn an annual income of £20k which is much below the national average of £38,224. 5.5% of the working aged population in New Rossington are economically inactive.

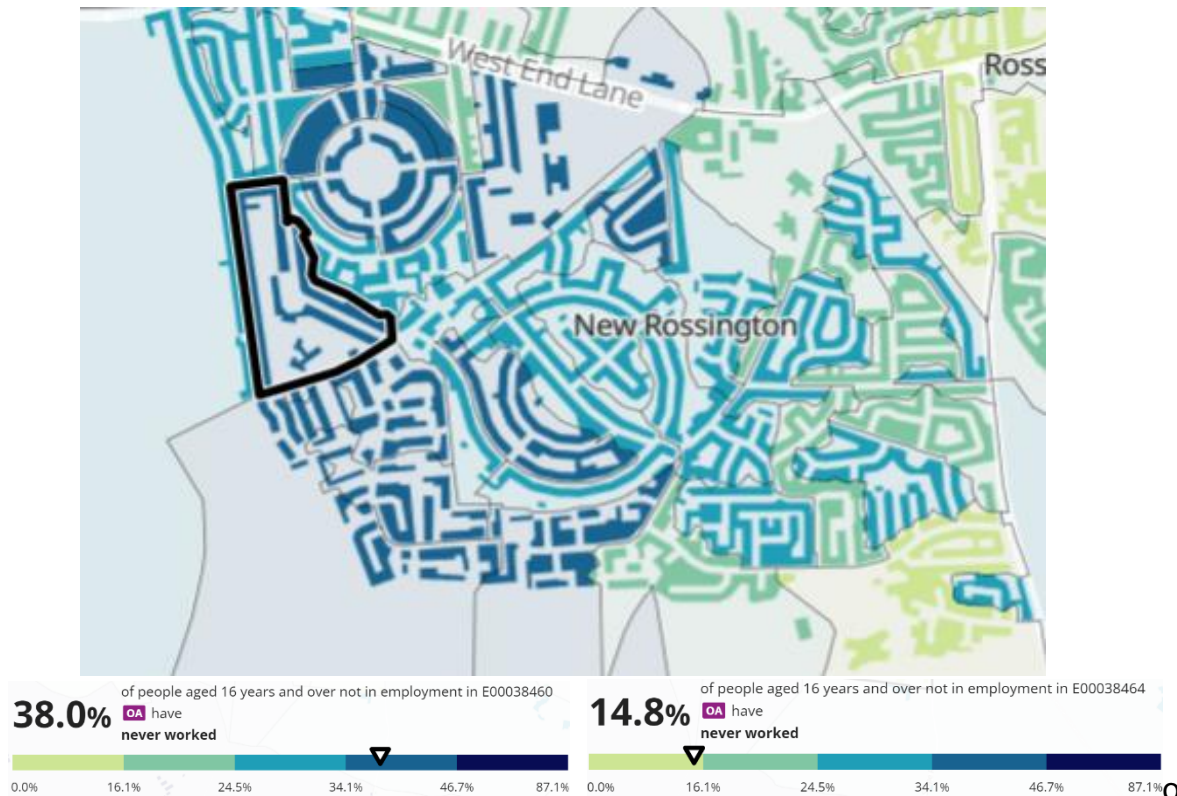


Figure 8. Proportion of Adults Aged 16+ Having Never Worked, Office of National Statistics, 2021

In New Rossington 28.7% of residents aged 16 and over are not in employment and have never worked, which is higher than Doncaster (27.2%) and England (25.6%). This is particularly high in the streets surrounding The Circle, including Duke Avenue, Deacon Crescent and Victoria Lane (all 35%), Edgar Lane (37.5%) and Rutland Lane (38%). Contrastingly, Hall View Road, Bishopsgate and Bond Street all report that 14.8% of those not in employment have never worked, highlighting the differences at a hyperlocal level.

In New Rossington, of those who are in work the majority work full time (60.0%), which is similar to figures for Doncaster (60.7%) and England (59.1%), and 29.0% work part time, higher than Doncaster (28.9%) and England (29.8%). Occupation figures in figure 9 highlight those in Elementary Occupations (15.8%) are higher than Doncaster (16.5%) and significantly higher than England (10.5%) along with Skilled Trade Occupations (14.3%), higher than Doncaster (11.7%) and England (10.2%) and care and leisure (15.0%) higher than Doncaster (10.3%) and England (9.3%). Traditionally

these roles are low skill and low pay roles. Furthermore, 10% are employed in Professional Occupations, lower than Doncaster (12.8%) and England (20.3%).

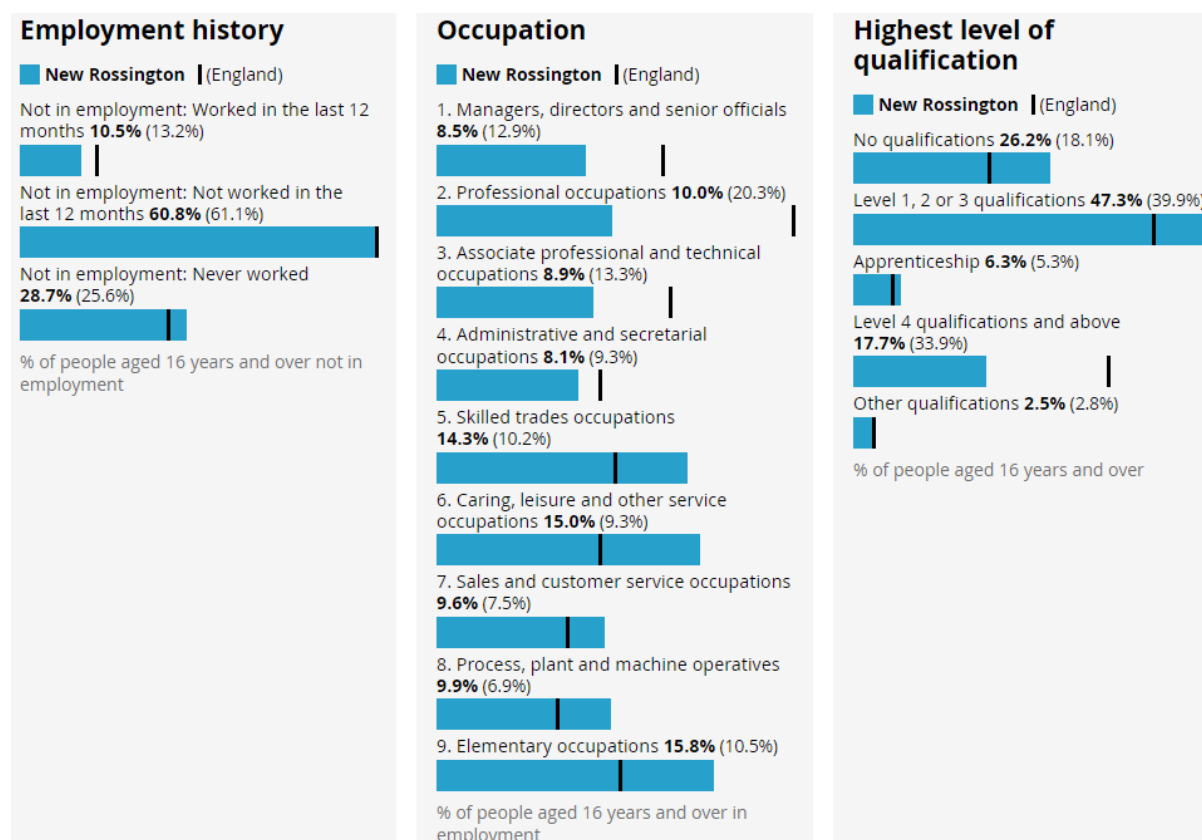


Figure 9. Employment History, Occupation and Highest Level of Qualification in New Rossington Office of National Statistics, 2021,

A large percentage of people aged 16 years and older in New Rossington have no qualifications (26.2%) compared to Doncaster (24.6%) and England (18.1%). Streets such as Foljambe Crescent, Scarborough Lane and Streatfield Crescent (50.0%) have particularly high levels of residents with no qualifications. Furthermore, residents who are qualified to Level 4 and above are significantly lower in New Rossington (17.7%) than Doncaster (22.7%) and England (33.9%).

Fuel Poverty

Fuel poverty is defined as a household living on a lower income which is not deemed reasonable enough to warm a home sufficiently. In the most recent data in 2020, (18.0%) of households in Rossington and Bawtry ward were unable to warm their homes to a reasonable standard which is similar to Doncaster (18.8%) and significantly higher than England (13.2%). The recent cost of living crisis including rising fuel costs and inflation may be a contributing factor

Food Security

The most common household types needing support are individuals, followed by families. The South locality ranks as 2nd in relative level of support compared to the rest of the city, highlighting the need to address poverty, food poverty and low income. Initiatives such as The Bread-and-Butter Thing (TBBT), located at Mexborough Community Hub is nearby and aims to transition people out of food poverty. There are 6 foodbanks located in the South Locality, including Rossington Trussell Trust Foodbank and Arks and Crafts Foodbank in New Rossington. Top reasons for accessing foodbank support include the Cost-of-Living Crisis, debt, and low income in New Rossington.

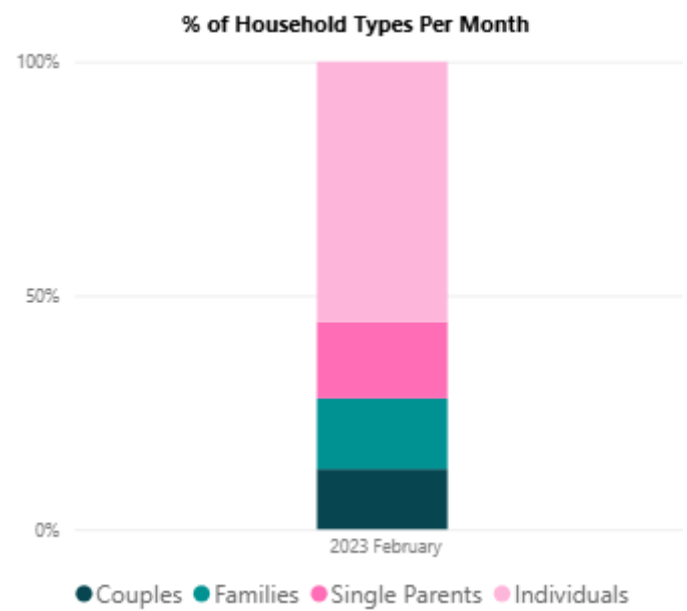


Figure 10. Household Types Accessing Food Support at Doncaster Food Bank Rossington, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

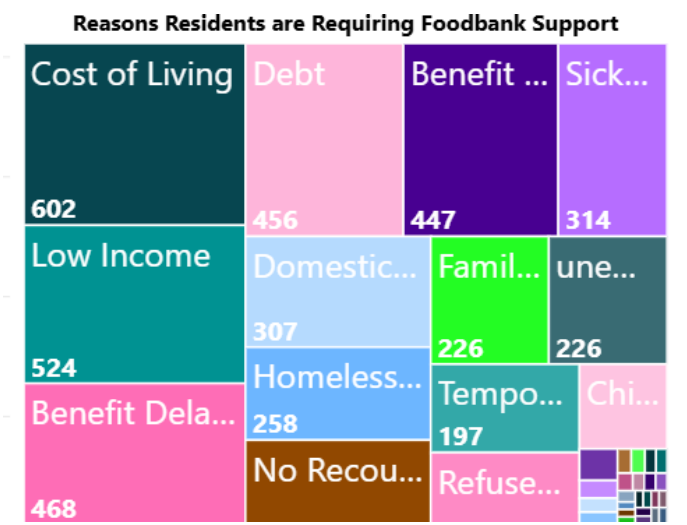


Figure 11. Reasons for Accessing Food Support at Doncaster Foodbank Rossington, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

The Bread-and-Butter Thing

The purpose of TBBT addresses moderate food insecurity helping minimise demand on crisis support i.e. Foodbanks. They also reduce poverty premiums that families in low-income areas can face, reduce waste by identifying edible surplus food in the UK food sector and redistributing it, to build resilience within the communities. TBBT establish a mobile food club which gives access to nutritious and affordable food taken into the heart of communities starved of money, food, and resources. There is no eligibility, and parcels are based on a weekly shop and provides essential produce for family eating – fresh fruit and veg, chilled goods and cupboard staples, deeply discounting a family's shopping and stretching their budget. A members average weekly saving is £26.50

Throughout the City there are five Hubs based in the following communities: Mexborough, Rossington, Carcroft, Thorne and Hexthorpe. Each site offers 80 residents the opportunity to access affordable food, ensuring 400 residents per week get the help they need. In 2024 across the five sites 1596 volunteering opportunities were accessed with 3241 residents accessing the support.

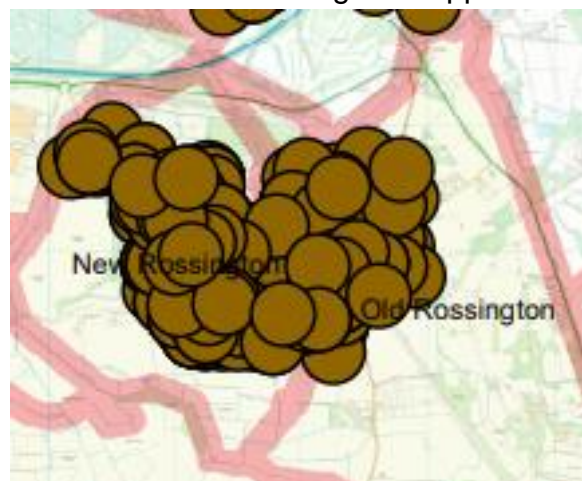


Figure 12. Shows a Map of Interactions with TBBT in New Rossington, The Bread and Butter Thing, 2025

Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough

Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough (CADB) is a network of charities that provides free, impartial and independent advice. There is currently a CADB outreach site at Rossington Family Hub, the Rossington Practice, Edlington Helping Hands, Stone Castle Centre Conisbrough, The Old Library Denaby and the main Mexborough office. The figures of interactions, clients, postcodes covered, and total income gain can be seen from 2021/22 to 2024/25 in table 1. Data shows an increase of residents accessing support across the ward.

Data collation information	Fiscal year 2021/22	Fiscal year 2022/23	Fiscal year 2023/24	Fiscal year 2024/25
Clients	156	159	258	238
New Interactions	614	618	2773	1001
Postcodes covered	121	114	141	159
Repeat Interactions	97	78	196	141
Total Income gain	£49,429	£168,916	£350,563	£323,291

Table 1. Rossington and Bawtry CABD Figures for Fiscal Years 2021/22 to 2024/25, Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough, 2025

Figure 13. shows interactions with CABD in New Rossington. The number of interactions in New Rossington is high. In 2024/25 fiscal year, the top issues for residents with postcodes within the Rossington & Bawtry Ward were debt, benefit and tax credits, benefits and universal credits, utilities and communications and housing. This data is consistent with the Rossington & Bawtry Ward having areas of deprivation, with many households suffering from income deprivation, low paying jobs and low levels of education particularly in New Rossington.

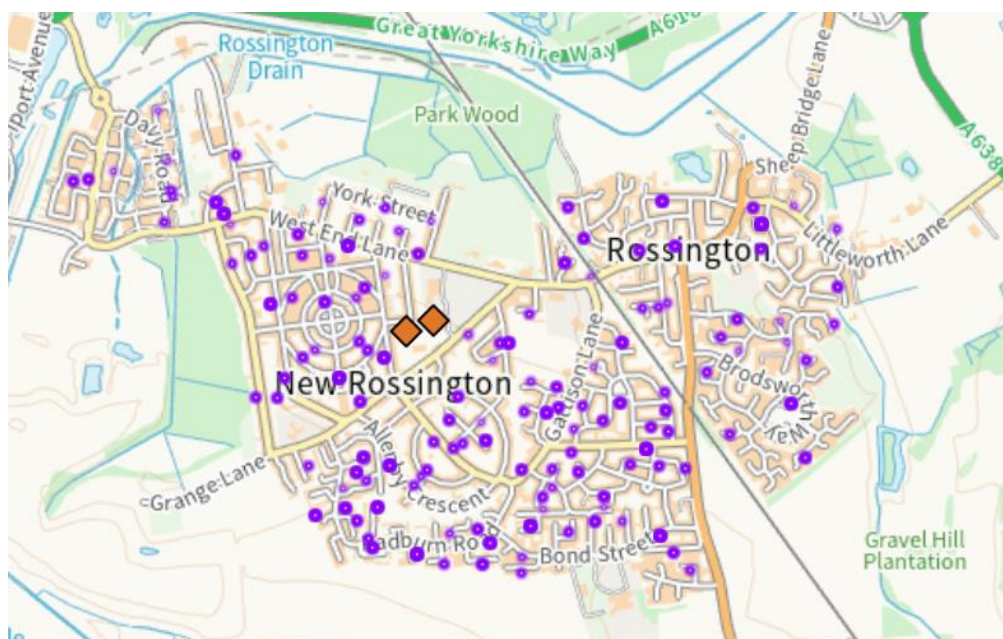


Figure 13. Map of CABD Interactions in Rossington and Bawtry, Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough. 2025

Health Inequalities

Life Expectancy

In 2025, people living in New Rossington were recorded as having a lower life expectancy and living more of their lives in poor health in comparison to the averages of Doncaster and England. Life expectancies for men (76.6 years) and women (80.3 years) living in the Rossington and Bawtry ward are lower to the averages of Doncaster (m: 77.8, f: 81.6) and England (m: 79., f: 83.). in Rossington, men are expected to develop a health condition at age 58.4 and women at 59.4, which is younger than Doncaster, (m: 57, f: 57), and significantly younger than England (m: 61.5, f: 61.9).

Long Term Health Conditions

The 2021 Census data shows that 43.5% of New Rossington residents report very good health, which is lower than England (48.5%) and slightly below Doncaster (44.3%). The percentage of residents reporting bad health is 6.1%, which is higher than Doncaster (5.3%) and England (4.0%). These figures highlight poorer self-reported health in New Rossington compared to both local and national averages, reflecting underlying health inequalities linked to deprivation and lifestyle factors.

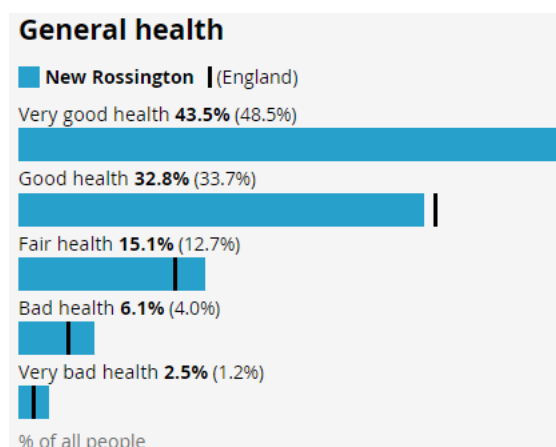


Figure 14. General Health Rossington, Office of National Statistics, 2021

The Rossington and Bawtry ward has similar levels of emergency hospital admissions for heart disease: COPD, Stroke, Heart Attacks and Coronary Heart Disease to Doncaster. However, incidences of cancer are higher (113.1 per 100.0 when using ISR) and in particular lung cancer (166.5 per 100.0 when using ISR) which is 5th highest in the city.

Risk factors for heart disease, such as obesity and alcohol consumption, are also high, with 33.6% of adults classified as obese and 18.2% of adults take medication for high cholesterol.

Alcohol

In the graph below, the data at the LSOA level, sheds light on disparities among communities in terms of alcohol-related hospital admissions. Of particular significance is New Rossington Clay Flat Lane; this LSOA is consistent with high levels of socially rented housing, and those with low qualifications.

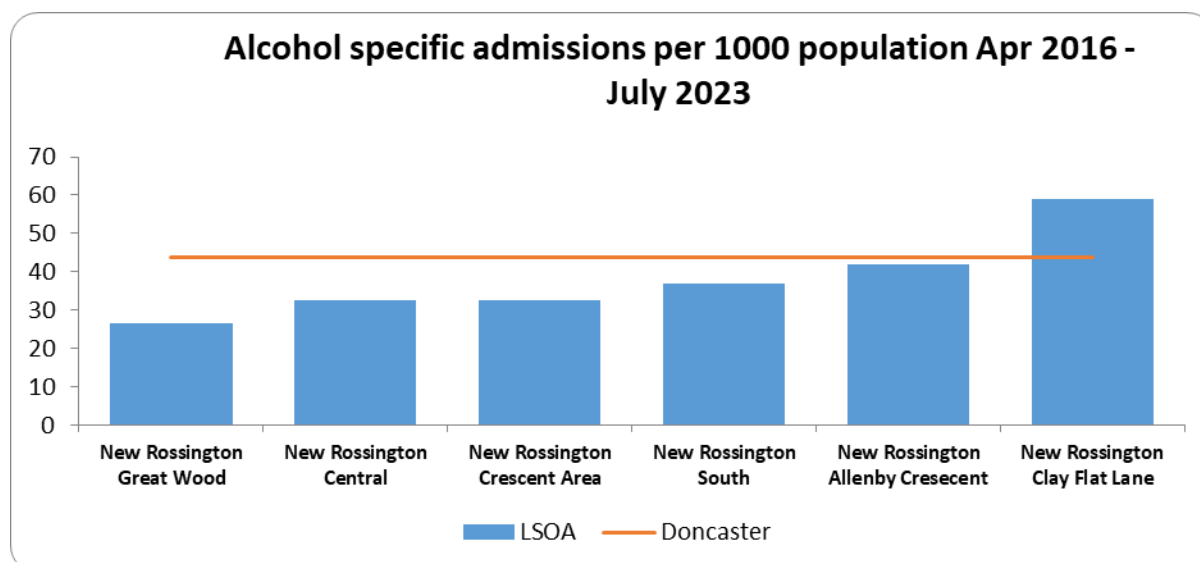


Figure 15. Alcohol Specific Admissions per 1000 Population 2016-2023, Office of National Statistics, 2023

Smoking

The Rossington and Bawtry Ward smoking prevalence of 17.6% is lower than Doncaster (19.7%) but higher than England (14.4%). here is evidence of smoking being picked up at a young age. In the Rossington and Bawtry Ward the prevalence of regular smokers at age 15 (7.6%) are higher than Doncaster (6.8%) and England (5.4%).

Action on Smoking and Health (ASH) estimates smoking costs Doncaster £335 million per year, the combined cost of smoking-related medical treatment via hospital admission and primary care services is £16.5 million. Social care costs due to smoking amounts to an estimated £115 million annually in Doncaster with the majority being lost to informal care costs from friends and family (£64.3 million).

In the Rossington and Bawtry ward, the gross annual cost of smoking as of Spring 2024 was £13.2 million and 12% of the ward's population are smokers. An estimated £4.05 million is spent annually on tobacco products in Rossington and Bawtry ward and the national average spend on tobacco per smoker now stands at £2486. Smoking has a significant impact on employment and productivity, in Rossington and Bawtry ward the total cost due to lost productivity from smoking was estimated at £7.54 million which is higher than the borough average (£6.5M).

Loneliness and Isolation

There are significantly higher levels of mental health issues in New Rossington. Hospital admissions for self-harm (103.1 per 100.0 when using ISR) are higher than the national average (100 per 100.0). Around 30.4% of elderly people are living alone which could contribute loneliness and isolation. The streets surrounding Foljambe



Crescent, Scarborough Lane & Streatfield Crescent have a high number of residents who are widowed or surviving a civil partnership (21.0%), this is also the case around Bevan Avenue (22.1%), significantly higher than Doncaster (7.5%). Mayfield Crescent is also showing high levels, but it must be noted Benton House nursing home is within the same output area.

Figure 16. ACORN Data Showcasing Wellbeing, City of Doncaster Council. 2024

Childhood Development

A child's early experiences are vital in providing the foundations for children to develop healthily and happily. Children being born into deprivation and living amongst deprivation in their early years are more likely to experience a wide range of health problems, fall behind their peers and face employment problems in adult life. The quality of early experiences is important as children develop, providing opportunity for motor (physical), intellectual (language and communication), cognitive and socio-emotional development.

The Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) measures the proportion of all children aged 0 to 15 living in income deprived families. In New Rossington 51.9% of children are classed as living in child poverty, which is similar to the Doncaster rate (47.1%).

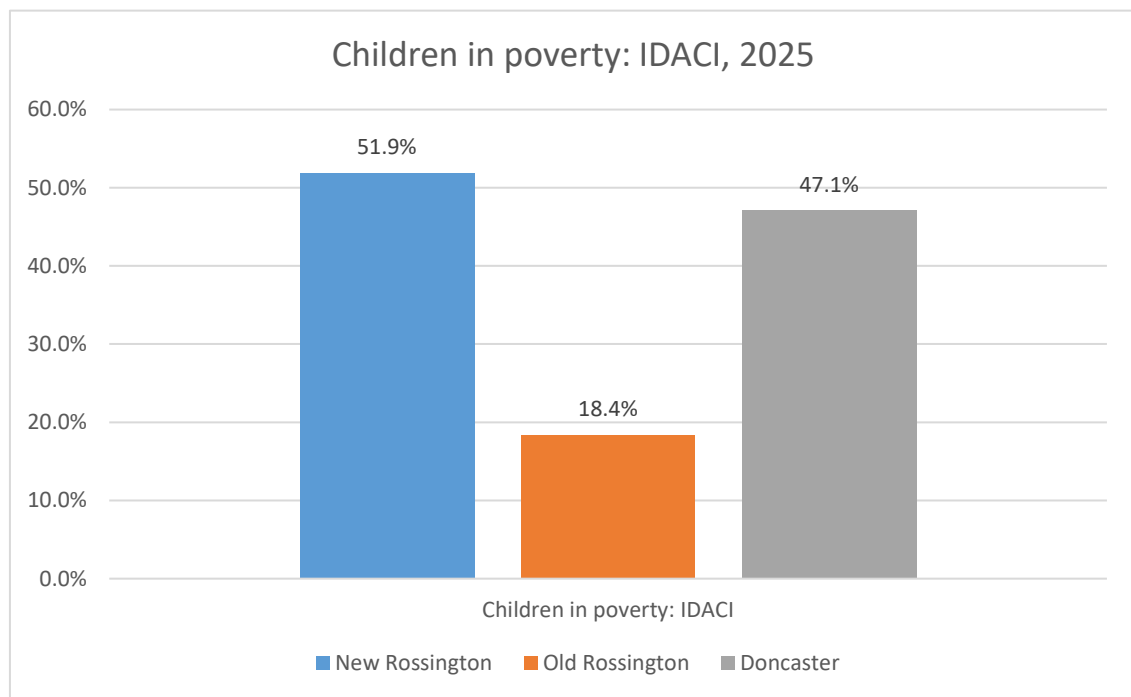


Figure 19. Children in Poverty: Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (aged 0 to 15). Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index, 2025

Childhood Obesity

Childhood obesity and inequality are closely connected. Children from families with less money often have fewer chances to eat healthy food or play outside safely. They might live in areas without parks or easy access to affordable fresh fruits and vegetables. These challenges make it harder for them to stay at a healthy weight. Because of this, childhood obesity is more common in deprived communities. Helping all children grow up healthy means making sure every family has access to good food, safe places to play, and support for healthy living.

An estimated 29.6% and 16.9% of reception age children (4-5yrs) were overweight or obese, respectively, in New Rossington in the 2021/22 – 2023/24 period. These values are higher than the Doncaster (overweight: 25.8%; obese:12.1%) and England (overweight: 21.9%; obese: 9.6%) averages. The percentage of overweight 4-5yrs has been roughly stable since the 2014/15 – 2016/17 period. Obesity in this age group has been increasing steadily since 2017/18 – 2019/20 period (13.4%). In Year 6s, 40.8% were obese or overweight in New Rossington, compared to 40.3% in Doncaster and 36.7% in England.

Indicator	Period	037 New Rossington		Doncaster		England		England		
		Recent Trend	Count	Value	Value	Value	Worst	Range		Best
Reception prevalence of obesity (including severe obesity), 3 years data combined	2021/22 - 23/24	—	-	16.9%	12.1%	9.6%	20.9%			2.2%
Reception prevalence of overweight (including obesity), 3 years data combined	2021/22 - 23/24	—	-	29.6%	25.8%	21.9%	37.9%			6.9%
Year 6 prevalence of obesity (including severe obesity), 3 years data combined	2021/22 - 23/24	—	-	28.2%	26.6%	22.7%	42.0%			3.8%
Year 6 prevalence of overweight (including obesity), 3 years data combined	2021/22 - 23/24	—	-	40.8%	40.3%	36.7%	55.1%			10.3%

Figure 18. Prevalence of Obesity in Year 6 and Reception Age Children in New Rossington in 21-24, Office of National Statistics, 2024

Childhood Smoking

The graph below shows the prevalence smoking at the age of 15 years. The regular or occasional smokers is 9.5% in the Rossington and Bawtry ward. In this age group it is 0.6% higher compared to Doncaster as a whole.

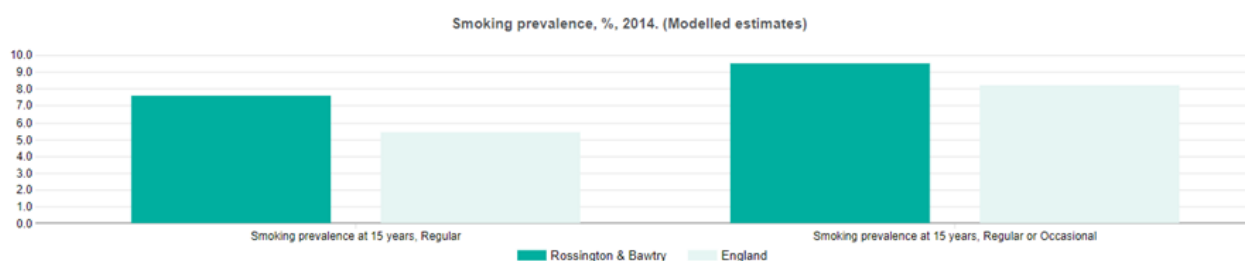


Figure 19. Smoking Prevalence in 15-year-olds, Office of National Statistics, 2014

Education

The Department for Education supplies each local authority with the school attainment grades for those in Key Stage 2 (KS2) and Key Stage 4 (KS4).

At KS2, each pupil is assessed in reading, writing and maths. In New Rossington, out of 162 pupils with a New Rossington postcode, 59% reached the expected standard in reading, writing and maths. This is the same as 2023, and a decrease from 61% in 2022. This is in line with Doncaster as a whole, at 59% in 2024, but lower than the England rate of 61%. In 2024, 5 children in New Rossington are missing from school and 28 are home educated.

For KS4, each pupil is given an Attainment 8 score (a score out of 90) based on their 8 best GCSE grades including English, Maths and at least 3 other traditional academic GCSEs (sciences, languages, and humanities). Other qualifications at an equivalent level (e.g. BTECs) can also count towards the score. In 2024, out of the 131 pupils with a New Rossington postcode, GCSE Attainment 8 score was 41.4 in 2024, an increase from 38.6 in 2023 but a decrease from 43.1 in 2022. This is lower than the

Doncaster wide score in 2024, which is 44, and significantly below the England average of 44.

Pupil Lifestyle Survey

The Pupil Lifestyle Survey is conducted by City of Doncaster Council to provide valuable data on children and young people's health-related behaviour, through an anonymous school-based questionnaire. Data from the survey has provided a set of Doncaster-wide figures at key points in children and young people's development; KS2, 3 and 4

In the 2024 data, Rossington and Bawtry had 46 pupils participate. 46% were girls, 46% boys and the others preferred not to say, or identified differently. 78% were white, 9% an ethnic minority, and the others preferred not to say.

In 2024 52% of participants had school dinner, which the same as Doncaster (55%). 13% of school-aged children had free school meals, which is lower than Doncaster (19%).

In 2024 English was a second language for 20% of pupils in Rossington and Bawtry. This was lower than Doncaster at 23%. Again, prevalence of disability was in the line compared to Doncaster 9%.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) was reported for 13% of pupils from the Rossington & Bawtry ward taking part in the survey, which is the same as that reported for Doncaster overall. Of those reporting SEN, just over one-half (63%) of pupils received extra help at school. Again, this is much higher than the overall percentage for Doncaster (43%).

Family Hubs

Family Hubs are local, community-based centres that offer integrated services for families from the early stages of life covering conception and early childhood up to adolescence, and up to age 25 for individuals with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). Family Hubs offer early years and parental support including antenatal and postnatal care, baby and toddler classes, infant feeding, parenting programmes, SEND pathways and specialist support for mental health, domestic abuse, welfare and substance misuse. Family Hubs provide welcoming community spaces for families, bringing together education, health, social care, and wellbeing services in one facility and cater for a broad spectrum of needs. There are twelve Family Hubs across Doncaster, with three located in the South locality, consisting of Denaby and Conisbrough, Mexborough and Rossington.

Membership data shows the percentage of eligible children signed up to Family Hubs. In the fiscal year 2024-2025 New Rossington Family hub membership was 76% for children aged 0-8 weeks, 93% for 0-1 year and 11-month-old children and 100% for children aged between 0-4 years and 11 months. New Rossington has a rate of

membership is higher than other communities in South, and New Rossington has a family hub located there.

Access data includes the percentage of children using Family Hubs services once or twice and engagement figures indicate the number of children seen three or more times. Engagement and Access is similar in New Rossington compared to other wards, especially at age 0-1 years and 11 months (43%) and 71% for access. There are several factors that could contribute to membership, access and engagement figures which must be considered when interpreting data. A complex relationship exists between socioeconomic, cultural, education, deprivation and independence as well as other factors and indicators which can influence these rates. Data across all recorded age groups is available in the table below.

	0-8 weeks	0-1 year and 11 months	0-4 years and 11 months
Membership	76%	93%	100%
Access	NA	71%	95%
Engagement	NA	43%	79%

Table 3. New Rossington Family Hub children's Membership, Access & Engagement Figures Fiscal Q4 2024-25, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

	South Family Hubs
Membership	92%
Access	80%
Engagement	68%

Table 4. South Locality Family Hub Children's Membership, Access & Engagement Figures Across All Ages Fiscal Year 2024/25, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

Family Hubs facilitate 2-Year-Old Funding entitlement for families which provides up to 15 hours of free early education or childcare per week for 38 weeks of the year. 64% of eligible children in Doncaster have taken up 2-year-old funding, this figure has dropped each term over the last year in all localities with the biggest decrease in Central and South localities. For Summer 2025 late starters, 2-year-old funding uptake is higher in New Rossington (93.9) compared with Doncaster (64%) and the highest in South.

Physical activity

Most of the information in this section is taken from Mosaic data, and more information about Mosaic can be found in the [appendix](#).

Levels of physical activity in Rossington are low compared to the rest of the borough. This can be seen in the map below, which identifies the areas with the highest numbers of inactive households. Approximately 600-800 households in New Rossington are inactive. This data has been matched to the number of children and young people living in deprived and inactive households.

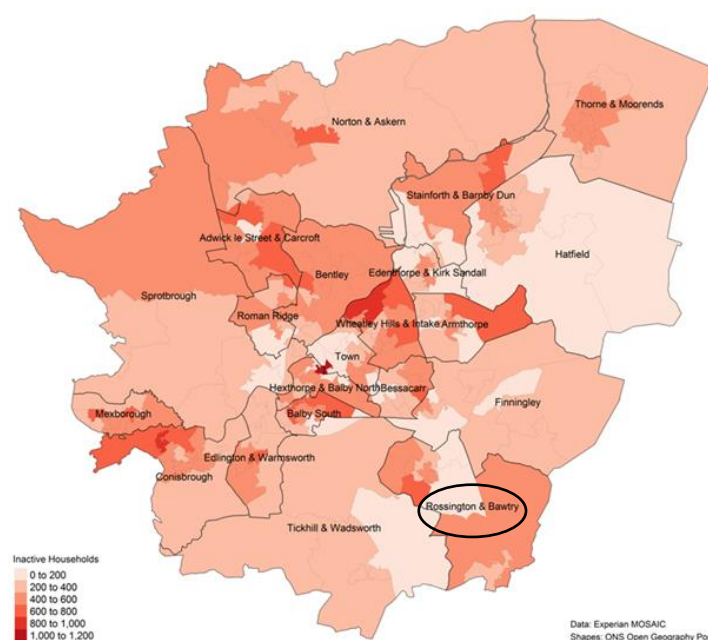


Figure 20. Levels of Inactivity Across Doncaster, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

Acorn data shows that 45.9% of residents have reported never engaging in moderate intensity physical activity. The table below highlights the number of households in the priority areas of inactive, low incomes, and children and young people. The former data positions Rossington as an area of focus and priority for the Get Doncaster Moving Strategy.

Name	Inactive	Low Incomes	C&YP	Total
Adwick le Street	883	877	920	2680
Denaby	951	913	514	2378
Wheatley Park & Wheatley Hills	802	885	667	2354
Bentley	883	692	773	2348
Edlington	667	858	726	2251
New Rossington	673	823	749	2245
Intake	651	781	668	2100
Skellow & Carcroft	594	892	563	2049
Stainforth	618	738	676	2032
Thorne	747	817	367	1931

Table 5. Inactivity Levels Across Wards in Doncaster, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

Physical Activity Children and Young People

Data from the 2024 Pupil Lifestyle Survey reports in Rossington and Bawtry ward, that 39% of pupils walk to school, which is the same as Doncaster wide. 100% of pupils had completed physical activities in the last 7 days and were one of only 2 wards in Doncaster where this was the case. 24% of pupils completed physical activity in after-school clubs, much higher than 18% in Doncaster. 87% of pupils enjoy physical activity, compared to 80% in Doncaster.

Green Spaces & Parks

There are green space assets in Rossington & Bawtry ward, that are in close proximity to the communities. The ward is adjacent to open countryside and has access to countryside footpaths and open spaces to enjoy on various walking routes and nature walks. Local parks and green spaces don't have as wide range of facilities as major parks. However, they are still home to great pockets of facilities.

The playgrounds and play parks consist of a multi-use games area, toddler and junior play areas, outdoor gym equipment and playing fields. Atterby Drive Play area offers walking routes and nature walks in a close proximity to the Brick Pond and Torne Valley Farm. Brodsworth Way playground offers multi-use area and football pitch.

Asset	Name
Play Parks in Rossington	Atterby Drive
	Grantham Street
	Attlee Avenue
	Brodsworth Way
	West End Lane Bankwood Crescent Holmsecarr Play Area, Grange Lane
Parks and Green Spaces in Rossington & Bawtry	King's Wood in Bawtry
	Duck Pond in Rossington
	Brick Pond in Rossington
	Torne Valley Farm in Rossington

Table 6. Green Spaces and Parks in New Rossington, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

Community Information

Population and Diversity

New Rossington has a population of 9256 residents, of which 5,654 (62.1%) are of working age. This figure is lower than the average of England but in line with the average of Doncaster. The community's overall age composition is in line with that of the English population. However, New Rossington has a slightly younger community than the national figures. The community continues to be predominantly White British,

with only 2.7% of the population being from other ethnic groups which is lower than Doncaster (6.9%).

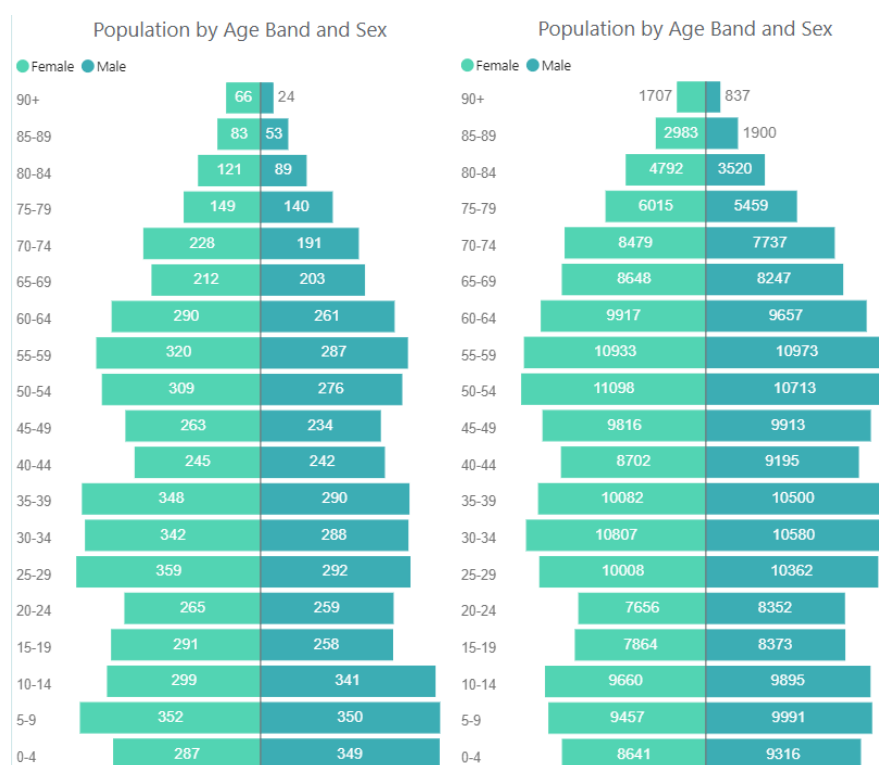


Figure 21. New Rossington & Doncaster Population Distribution, Office of National Statistics, 2021

The community continues to be predominantly White British, with only 2.4% of the population being from a Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) group. This percentage is half the average of the borough.

Ethnic Group	New Rossington	Doncaster	England
Asian	0.6%	2.9%	9.6%
Black	0.7%	1.2%	4.2%
Mixed / Multiple	0.8%	1.5%	3.0%
White	97.6%	93.1%	81.0%
Other	0.3%	1.2%	2.2%

Table 7. Ethnicity Groups in New Rossington compared to Doncaster and England, Office of National Statistics, 2021

Housing

Housing conditions and the surrounding environment can have profound impacts upon residents' health and can exacerbate health inequalities. This is important given the highly dense nature of New Rossington.

34% of housing within New Rossington is socially rented, with owned outright properties comprising only 25% of households. This tenure composition is significantly

different to the Yorkshire and Humber benchmark, where 18% of housing is socially rented and 31% is owned outright. The housing stock type is primarily terraced (41%) or semi-detached (43%) properties, matching the highly dense profile of New Rossington. Whether a household's accommodation is overcrowded, ideally occupied or under-occupied is calculated by comparing the number of bedrooms the household requires to the number of available bedrooms; in New Rossington 2.7% of houses are classed as overcrowded, higher than Doncaster (2.5%) and England (2.4%)

St Leger Homes provide housing services across Doncaster. They manage over 21,000 residences across the city. High levels of social housing, with a large proportion of bungalows and terraced housing are an indicator of deprivation and associated with overcrowding, low income and can consequently affect poor levels of childhood development. The number of socially rented houses along with the number of homeless families in New Rossington can be seen in the table below.

Type of House	Total number
Bungalows	403
Flats	53
Maisonette	4
Houses	541
Total	1002

Table 8. St Leger Homes Housing Stock in New Rossington, St Leger Homes, 2025

Rent arrears in New Rossington have increased each year from 21/22, to 22/23, 23/24 and to a high in 24/25, as seen in the table below.

Rent Arrears 21/22	Rent Arrears 22/23	Rent Arrears 23/24	Rent Arrears 24/25
9,080.00	9,281.00	11,005.18	12,981.04

Table 9 Rent Arrears in New Rossington from 21/22 to 24/25, St Leger Homes, 2025

Community Safety

Community safety remains a top priority for residents and stakeholders across Doncaster. Feedback from a range of engagement activities consistently highlights concerns around anti-social behaviour (ASB), crime, and perceptions of safety. People want cleaner, more vibrant and welcoming neighbourhoods, supported by effective policing, youth engagement, and thoughtful environmental design.

To help achieve this, we're committed to a city-wide approach that combines proactive and reactive measures through a layered crime prevention strategy—primary, secondary, and tertiary—designed to make every community safer.

If you'd like to stay informed or take action, you can find detailed crime statistics for your neighbourhood at www.police.uk. To report issues or concerns, visit www.yourlifedoncaster.co.uk/safer-city-how-to-report-issues.

The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership

The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership is working together to make Doncaster a safer, stronger place for everyone. The partnership focuses on six key priorities that tackle issues affecting our communities:

- **Reducing anti-social behaviour (ASB)** – making our streets and public spaces welcoming for all.
- **Reducing crime and re-offending** – supporting people to make positive choices and preventing repeat offences.
- **Tackling serious and organised crime** – protecting our communities from organised criminality and criminal networks.
- **Reducing substance and alcohol misuse** – helping people access support and reducing harm.
- **Tackling domestic and sexual abuse** – ensuring victims get the help they need and holding perpetrators to account.
- **Reducing violence and violent crime** – creating safer neighbourhoods for families and young people.

Together, these priorities aim to build a Doncaster where everyone feels safe and supported.

Community Voice / Key Safety Concerns

Residents in Rossington told us they are concerned about anti-social behaviour and crime, which they feel is affecting the sense of safety in the area. People spoke about issues like intimidation, vandalism, and visible drug use, alongside worries about repeat offending and property damage. Poor lighting and neglected streets add to these concerns, and many said they want more visible policing and quicker responses to incidents. Fear of reporting crime is common, with some residents believing nothing will change or fearing retaliation. There's also a strong call for more youth activities and safe spaces to reduce disruption and give young people positive options. Overall, the community wants cleaner streets, stronger enforcement, and opportunities to bring people together and restore pride in Rossington.

Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour can be defined as when someone acts in a way that causes trouble, fear, or upset to others. This can include things like being noisy late at night, vandalism, or being aggressive in public. Hate crime is when someone is hurt or targeted because of their race, religion, disability, gender identity, or sexuality. It's not just a crime against one person—it can make whole communities feel unsafe.

The figure below shows that the South has the highest number of ASB and hate crime figures in the City. 343 cases identified occurred in the Rossington and Bawtry ward which was the third highest in the South locality.



Figure 22. Number of Early Interventions, ASB, Hate Crime and Low-Level Crime Identified Across Doncaster Localities, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

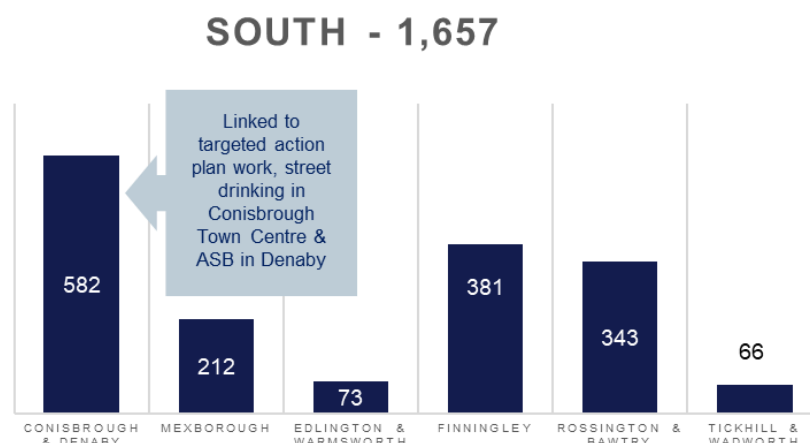


Figure 23. Number of Early Interventions, ASB, Hate Crime and Low-Level Crime Identified Across South Communities, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

Vulnerable Victims

The South locality has the lowest number of vulnerable victims supported at 8 people. This can be attributed to closed cases in hotspot locations across other areas of the locality and a reduction in the contact needed on these cases through dedicated work and addressing of vulnerabilities. It should be noted that these figures are for quarter 1 of 2023.

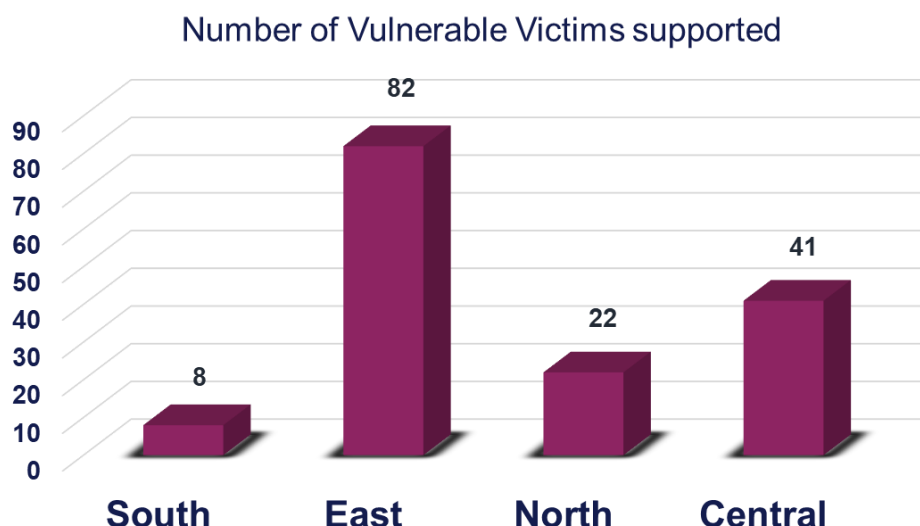


Figure 24. Vulnerable Victims' Cases Across Doncaster, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

Wellbeing Service

This is one of the services delivered by City of Doncaster Council (CDC), the service covers helping residents with financial support, physical health, housing, mental health and social isolation, and an early intervention to prevent moving to adult social care services. Table 10 shows the top 5 communities in Doncaster using the service, Rossington being number 3. Table 11 shows the top 3 themes most prevalent in Rossington

Community Ranking for using service	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025 Q4
1	Wheatley & Intake	Wheatley & Intake	Wheatley & Intake	Town
2	Rossington & Bawtry	Rossington & Bawtry	Bessacarr & Cantley	Hexthorpe and Balby North
3	Thorne & Moorends	Mexborough	Mexborough	Rossington
4	Adwick & Carcroft	Adwick & Carcroft	Hexthorpe & Balby North and Bentley	Thorne and Moorends
5	Town/City Ward	Bessacarr & Cantley	Rossington & Bawtry and Town/City Ward	Norton & Askern

Table 10. Top 5 Wards Using the Wellbeing Service, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

Rossington theme Ranking	Theme Supported
1	Housing and living Environment
2	Financial
3	Physical Health

Table 11. Top 3 Most Common Themes Residents are Accessing the Wellbeing Service for Support in Rossington, City of Doncaster Council, 2025

Community Investment

Between 2020 and 2025 there has been £6.21M invested from Doncaster Delivering Together in Rossington and Bawtry, across 109 spends. This investment has been successfully applied for by partners and Voluntary Community and Faith Sector (VCFS) groups. The top 3 priorities the investment has support are increasing community spirit, financial security and mental health support & awareness.

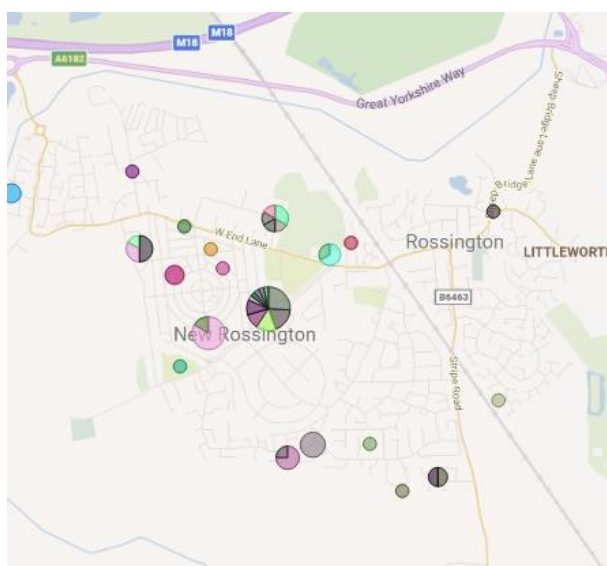


Figure 26. Map of Community Investment in Rossington, Doncaster Delivering Together, 2025

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Appendix

Well Doncaster

More information about Well Doncaster can be found on our website:

[Home | Well Doncaster](#)

Census 2021

The census is undertaken by the Office for National Statistics every 10 years and gives us a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales.

[Build a custom area profile - Census 2021, ONS](#)

[Census Maps - Census 2021 data interactive, ONS](#)

Public Health Data

Fingertips

This is a new fingertips profile that uses data from Local Health an existing PHE data tool. Local Health is a collection of quality assured health information presented for small geographical areas. By presenting data for small areas, Local Health provides evidence of inequalities within local areas. It supports targeted interventions to reduce such inequalities.

Local Health contains indicators related to:

- Population and demographic factors
- Wider determinants of health
- Health outcomes

It presents data for middle super output areas (MSOA), electoral wards, clinical commissioning groups (CCG), local authorities, and England as a whole.

Please note, as the Local Health tool was designed to allow users to map small area data, a mapping option has not been provided in this profile.

<https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/local-health/data#page/0>

[Local Health - Public Health England - Reports: get a dashboard on a custom area](#)

Link to data- [Fingertips | Department of Health and Social Care](#)

Life expectancy and healthy life expectancy by ward: [Life expectancy by census ward](#)

Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2025 – statistical release, data files and reports: [English indices of deprivation 2025 - GOV.UK](#)

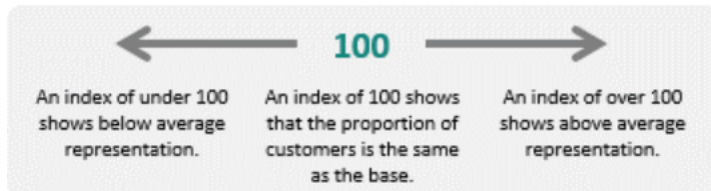
Acorn profiles

Wellbeing Acorn segments the population into 4 groups (Health Challenges; At Risk; Caution; Healthy) and 25 types describing the health and wellbeing attributes of each postcode across the country. By analysing significant social and health related behaviour, it provides precise information and an in depth understanding of upstream issues affected by current lifestyle traits

INTERPRETING THE REPORT

The Wellbeing Acorn profile report helps you understand the underlying demographics, lifestyle and health attributes of your customers and service users by comparing their Wellbeing Acorn profile to a base (e.g. UK population, area or other customer groups).

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The Wellbeing Acorn Profile contains 12 variables that are indicators of Disability or Infirmary in the population and 9 variables related to unhealthy Behaviours. The average score measured against the base profile of Yorkshire and the Humber is 100. A value above 100 indicates that the area population is overrepresented for this characteristic, below 100 the value is less than the average or underrepresented.

Physical Activity

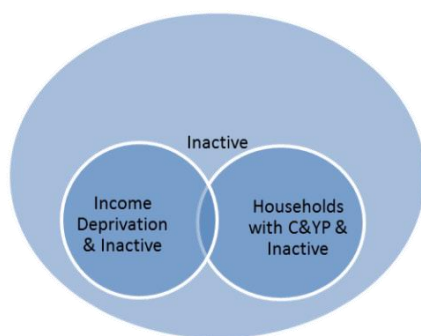
Get Doncaster Moving survey

<https://getdoncastermoving.org/uploads/behavioural-insight-phase-one-summary-report.pdf?v=1644581925>

Mosaic data

Mosaic Public Sector classifies the UK population into one of 66 types and 15 groups through a detailed and accurate understanding of each citizen's demographics, lifestyles, behaviours and location.

The Physically Inactive Population of Doncaster



The MOSAIC types who “Do not exercise” and “Do not take part in Sport” were searched and three priority groups have been identified through work with strategic partners as part of the development of Doncaster’s Physical Activity Strategy. The three priority groups are:

- The Inactive
- Families with children and young people
- People living in income deprivation

These groups are cross-referenced against the inactivity list allowing for the identification of MOSAIC types which are both likely to be inactive and living in deprivation as well as inactive and from households with children and young people.

Link to the Get Doncaster Moving strategy; [Let's Get Moving! | Get Doncaster Moving](#)

Pupil Lifestyle Survey

[Pupil Lifestyle Survey - Healthy Schools \(healthylearningdoncaster.co.uk\)](https://healthylearningdoncaster.co.uk)

Power BI – Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is a process that identifies the current and future health and wellbeing needs of a local population. The dashboards show information about the employment, health, and wellbeing of people in Doncaster. We use this information to inform our policies and strategies to improve the lives of everyone in the Doncaster area.

[Joint Strategic Needs Assessments - Team Doncaster](#)

Community Safety

The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership Community Safety Strategy can be found at - [The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership - City of Doncaster Council](#)

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If you would like further information about making Doncaster a Safer City, please see - [Making Doncaster a Safer City - YourLifeDoncaster](#)

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Community Investment:

Investment Map: [Doncaster Delivering Together Investment Plan - Team Doncaster](#)

Population Health Management

Interactive Map

To access and identify assets at ward and locality level please use the following interactive map: <https://www.google.co.uk/maps/d/viewer?mid=17BayPsliJ1OUq6U4OFbk9FKLYL2-wDZN&ll=53.50909620569456%2C-1.13650280000000032&z=14>