



Old Rossington

Community Profile

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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, like 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 what strengths of both people and place, whilst also looking into what health problems 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 Old Rossington, part of the of the Rossington and Bawtry Ward in the South of Doncaster which consists of New Rossington, Old Rossington, and Rossington and Bawtry 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.



Old Rossington



7.8% of residents are aged 70–74 compared to 5.3% across Doncaster



11.5% of residents experiencing poverty and 18.4% of children living in income-deprived households



Smoking prevalence is high at 17.8% and 5th highest rates of lung cancer



41.7% of Year 6 pupils overweight or obese



Education levels are slightly above national average



Fuel poverty affects 1 in five households

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One page Summary

Old Rossington is a semi-rural settlement within the Rossington and Bawtry Ward in South Doncaster. Historically a mining village, the pit closed in 2007, but the area retains a strong sense of heritage and community identity. It is separated from New Rossington by the East Coast Main Railway Line and benefits from good transport links to the M18 and A1. The housing profile is predominantly privately owned, with only 1% of homes being social rentals.

The community is characterised by an ageing population; 7.8% of residents are aged 70–74 compared to 5.3% across Doncaster. The village is considered relatively affluent, with 56.5% of households not deprived in any dimension, making it one of the least deprived communities in Doncaster. Despite this, challenges such as fuel poverty, food insecurity, and health inequalities persist, particularly among older residents and families affected by the cost-of-living crisis.

Education levels are slightly above national averages, and employment rates are strong at 59.5%, though unemployment in the wider ward has risen to 5.1%. Poverty levels remain low compared to Doncaster overall, with 11.5% of households experiencing poverty and 18.4% of children living in income-deprived households. Fuel poverty affects nearly one in five households. Health outcomes show concerning trends: life expectancy is lower than national averages, and residents spend more years in poor health. Smoking prevalence is high at around 17.8%, contributing to elevated rates of lung cancer, the fifth highest in Doncaster. Childhood obesity is also a significant issue, with 41.7% of Year 6 pupils overweight or obese, above the England average.

Residents value the area's green spaces, such as Brick Pond and Torne Valley Farm, and there is a strong tradition of community spirit, supported by active local organisations and events.

Key Priorities

- Improving health outcomes by reducing smoking rates and tackling obesity.
- Addressing fuel and food poverty despite overall low deprivation.
- Supporting older residents and families through targeted interventions.

Assets

Asset Maps

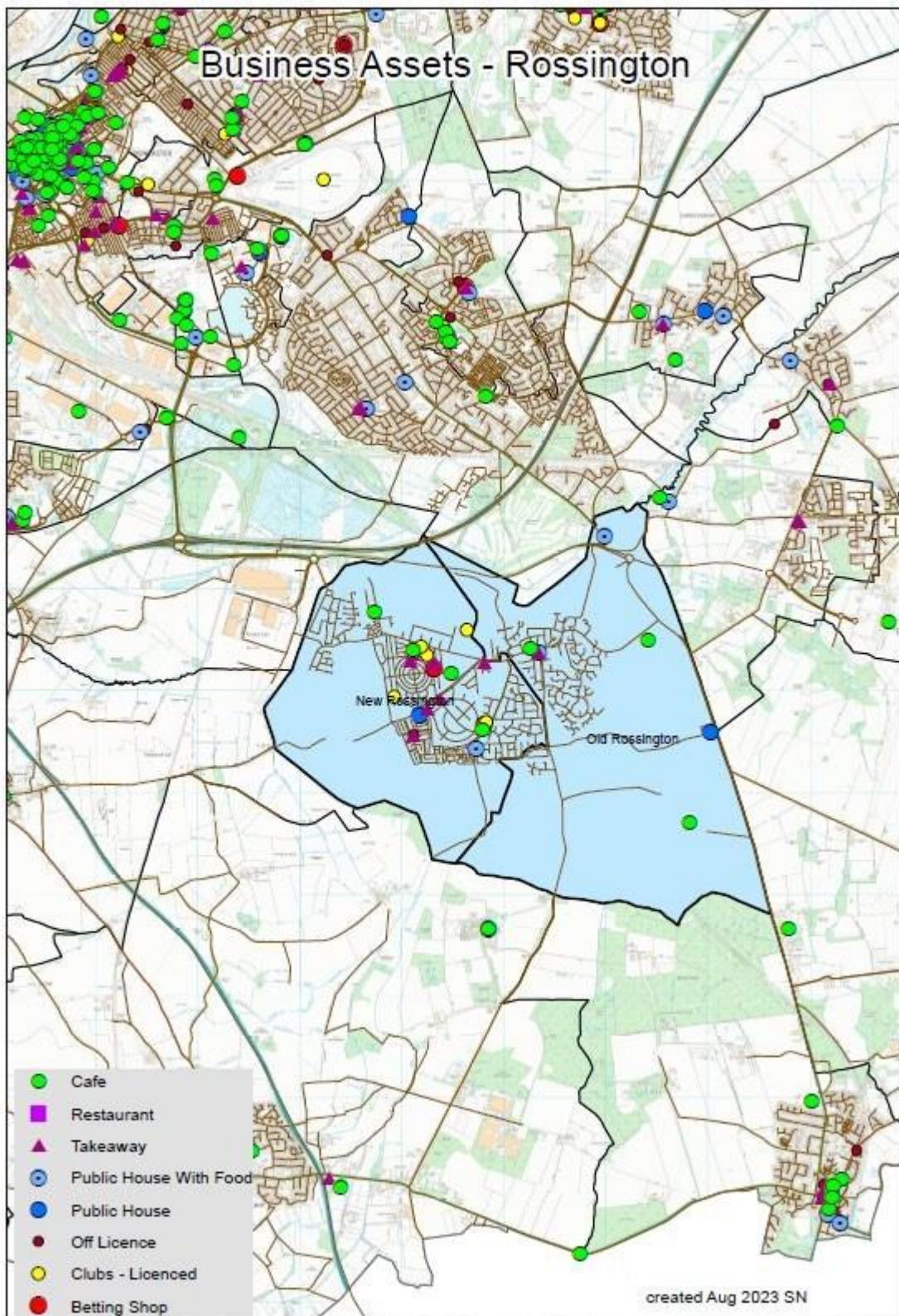


Figure 1. Business Assets, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

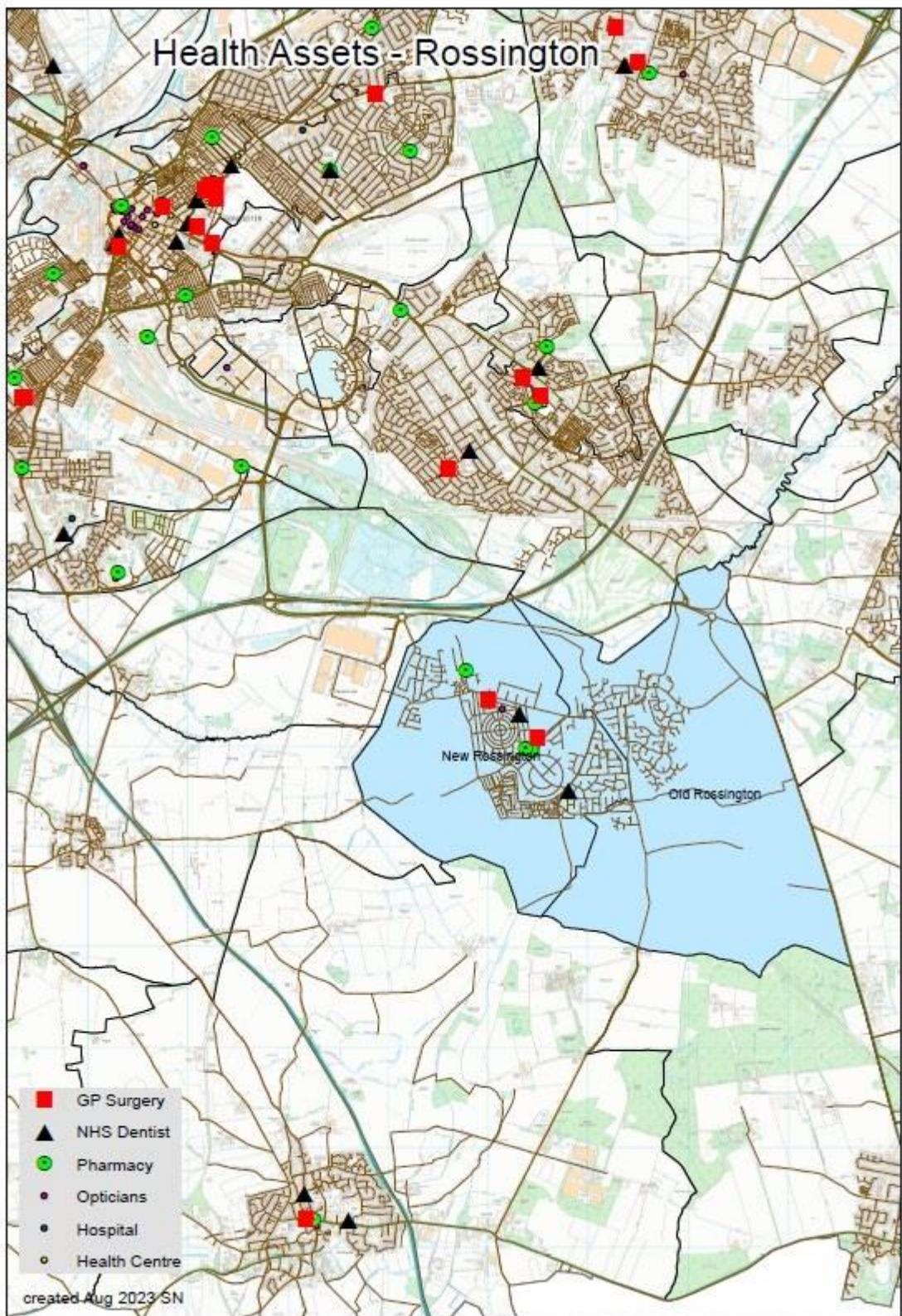


Figure 2. Health Assets, City of Doncaster Council, 2024

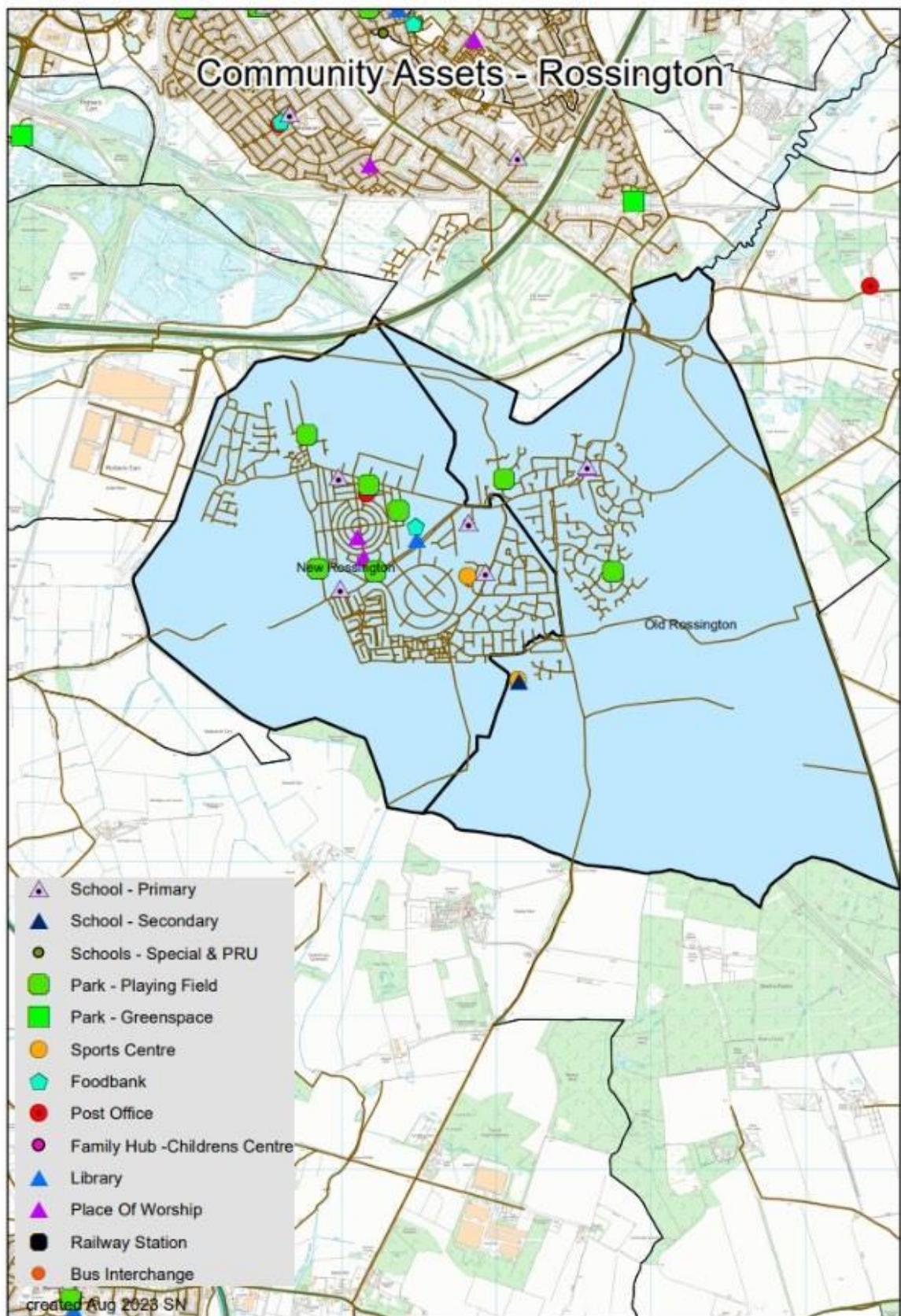


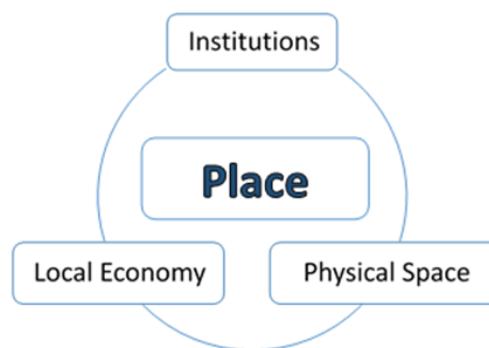
Figure 3. Community Assets City of Doncaster Council, 2024

Assets in the Community

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 Old Rossington, identifying their 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

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



| Institutions (Schools/colleges etc.) | Physical space (Parks, carparks etc.) | Local Economy (Local profit Businesses) |
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| <p>Schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rossington St. Michael's C of E Primary School• Tornedale Infant School• Pheasant Bank Academy - info@pheasantbankacademy.org.uk• Rossington All Saints Academy• Grange Lane Infant Academy | <p>Green spaces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Duck Pond in Rossington• Brick Pond in Rossington• Torne Valley Farm in Rossington• King's Wood in BawtryPlaygrounds & play fields:• Atterby Drive• Grantham Street• Attlee Avenue• Brodsworth Way• West End Lane | <p>Food & Beverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jones Chip Shop• Pisces Chip Shop• Pizza Jim <p>Shops/ Supermarkets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ASDA• COOP• Lidl <p>Fitness & Gym facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swimming pool |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington St Michael's C of E Primary School • Rossington Early Learners – held at Holmescarr centre, they provide care and educational opportunities for children aged 2-to-5year www.rossingtonearlylearners.co.uk • St Joseph's Health: • The Rossington Practice • BJ Julius Dental Practice • Robinson Dental – Rossington • Weldricks Pharmacist • Well Pharmacy • Rossington Pharmacy • West End Lane 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 Community Baptist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bankwood Crescent • Holmescarr Play Area, Grange Lane <p>St Leger communal halls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse Park • Ragusa • Radburn • Skipwith Gardens – runs craft and creations <p>Centres:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holmescarr Centre • Rossington Memorial Hall – runs No limits, Gong Ladies singing group NHS respite group History group Writers group Martial Arts School Good Neighbours Luncheon Club Male Voice Choir Taekwondo Epilepsy Project Rossington Parish Council • Community Hall, McConnell Crescent • Cadet Centre - https://armycadets.com/county/humberside-and-south-yorkshire-acf/ • 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. The Hall has recently had a refurb including new | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fraser Performance Coaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Hardware |
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| <p>Church – Holds play and toddler group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Methodist Church – coffee mornings Friday 8-12 • 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, citizenship skills. Beavers Monday 5.30-6 Cubs 6.30-8 Scouts Wednesday 7-9 at memorial hall • Guides | <p>toilets and disabled toilets. It is fully disabled access with a lift to the upstairs room. There is parking within the grounds.</p> <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, Doncaster, DN11 0HX Rossington Branch 24 Churchfield Road | |
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| INDIVIDUALS (Key Individuals within the community) | ASSOCIATIONS Local Groups/Clubs | STORIES (Good news stories) |
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| | <p>Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holmescarr Arks and Craft – Holmescarr centre. Runs multiple groups and support for community members. Also has a café. • Rossington Community Connectors • Family Hub – Supporting families, babies, and parents. The following sessions are run at the hub, Sensory Fun, Baby Chatter Baby Play, Baby Massage, Light Pre and Postnatal Support, growing friends. Food bank, First Friends, Book Chatter Book Play, Stop Smoking Pregnancy, Breast Start. Manager: Sue Davies • Rossington Community Baptist Church – runs Rossington Community Baptist church, messy church, food bank (Thursday am only) • Rotary Club of Doncaster Trust Fund - Fund raising for local good causes. • Holmescarr SMILE - provides day activities and projects for older people, adults with learning disabilities and individuals who require specialist support Hesley Group • Rossington Rethink Support Group - meet on Tuesday 1-3 at Holmescarr Centre • Day Centre Age UK– at Community Hall, McConnell Crescent for people over 50 to come and enjoy a freshly cooked 2 course meal, activities, and the company of others. The Rossington Centre runs every Monday Transport is available. • Rossington Food Bank, part of Doncaster Foodbank – supporting those who are in financial crisis held at Holmescarr Community Centre Sandra. • IGNITE Youth Group – IGNITE. Youth Group is held every Friday, 5pm - 6:30pm, for young people aged 11-18 years old. Instagram - igniteyouthgrouprossington Twitter- igniteyouthross Facebook - igniteyouthgrouprossington Website www.igniteyouthgrouprossington.co http://www.igniteyouthgrouprossington.com/ • Rossington Bubble Autism Support Group – ran at Holmescarr 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 Armed Forces and Veterans Drop In – at Holmescarr 1st Tuesday of each month • Rossington Miners Welfare – provide support and have a number of groups that meet at the centre - carolp@rossington.org.uk • Radburn TARA • Bfriend – meets in Ragusa Hall, social club for 50+ • Rossington Good Neighbours – started but only doing takeaway due to COVID-19 the Charities 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 they will try their best to help. | <p>Stories</p> <p><i>Arks & Crafts: "There is a lady who receives support weekly. She is elderly and her daughter lives in North Yorkshire, so she 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> |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rossington Parish Memorial Hall- runs various groups and community events rossingtonpc@blueyonder.co.uk • 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. • The Epilepsy Project - The aim of the Epilepsy Project is to ease the Isolation of people with epilepsy and their careers. Offering social evenings, support group meetings, networking, issues of Newsletter. They run an Arts & Crafts Group and Life. • Cafe at the Memorial Hall McConnel Crescent Rossington Doncaster (next to the Library) every Friday afternoon 2pm- 4pm £1.50 per person includes tea and cake. Contact phone # 01302 866136 <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 – Offers swimming, ice skating, play areas, swimming Lessons • Rossington Wheelers Cycle Club - 50–80-mile club rides each Sunday, meet at the church, contact info 0930 http://rossingtonwheelers.co.uk/ • Doncaster Hybrid Martial Arts - • Swimstars & Dolphins Swim School at Bawtry Hall. 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 • Holmescarr 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 – meeting on Sunday 5 - 6 at Holmescarr |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 • 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 Council organiser • Rossington Parade Group – Elaine Spencer • Rossington holiday activity programme – Jon Whately from DLCT | |
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Community Insight Appreciative Inquiry

The Well Doncaster Team undertake an Appreciative Inquiry (AI) within communities to gather insight to support co-designing action plans with the community. The AI questions are structured to pull on the successes of the past and present, to seek new potentials and possibilities and build on those through the Dream and Design stages.

The Appreciative Inquiry will include the following steps:

1. **Discovery** – This will involve engagement with the residents of Rossington to find out what is working well in the community. Responses will be themed to allow priorities of the community to be established.
2. **Dream** – Residents and key stakeholders will be 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 are invited back for a second workshop to develop an action plan to direct work for the community.
4. **Deliver** – A collaborative way of working and investing resources in working towards 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 covered the time periods of 2021 – March 2025 and includes conversations have been had with a total of 292 number of people.

AI theme framework

| Theme | Sub theme | Quotes | Commentary |
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| Community Spirit | Caring and Friendly Community Groups Togetherness and Collective Identity Social Connections and Support Systems Family Relationships Local support Heritage Social Inclusions Community Identity Belonging Accessible Inclusive Mutual Support | <p>Surrounded by older neighbours who are all very caring, friendly and supportive and watched children grow up.</p> <p>Ref: RB3401</p> <p>Important to have places/groups to socialise with.</p> <p>Ref: RB4424</p> <p>The community spirit – used to be a pit village, everyone looks after each other, really band together when needed.</p> <p>Ref: R69</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: BR4584</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: R5304</p> <p>People look out for each other... Used to know police officers by name... Felt</p> | <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. 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 through neighbours, groups,</p> |

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| | | <p>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 things happening in the community.</p> <p>Ref: R79</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: RB3340</p> <p>Pretty good bus service to get into town, Lakeside etc. Good location.</p> <p>Ref: R5311</p> <p>Very accessible to the motorway. LIDL is convenient for us, on your doorstep.</p> <p>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>Community Hubs</p> <p>Health and Wellbeing</p> <p>Community Identity</p> <p>Heritage and History</p> <p>Accessible</p> | <p>Used to go on field for walks when we had a dog, we have picnics on Brodsworth Park, Attlee Park is good.</p> <p>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 families had access to it.</p> <p>Ref: R69</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, exercising, and spending time outdoors reflect a growing interest around personal wellness.</p> <p>Insight illustrates a deep relationship between residents and their local greenspaces which is being shaped by current changing needs. Parks are seen as spaces</p> |

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| | | <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: R71</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: RB4764</p> <p>Beautiful Green Areas</p> <p>There is lots of beautiful green areas of space for us as residents to use and enjoy.</p> <p>Ref: RB4973</p> <p>There are lots of parks, some aren't as well respected as others and could do with updating.</p> <p>Ref: RB4999</p> | <p>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.</p> |
| Events and Activities | <p>Physical activity</p> <p>Family Friendly</p> <p>Connected Communities</p> <p>Community Ownership</p> <p>Community Pride</p> <p>Community Inclusion</p> | <p>Always come to Halloween events, skate park, swimming. Youth club at Brodsworth has potential.</p> <p>Ref: R5389</p> <p>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 ages can come along.</p> <p>Ref: R5391</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: R5508</p> | <p>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. 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</p> |

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| | | <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: R5586</p> <p>The football club is brilliant.</p> <p>Ref: R3140</p> | <p>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.</p> |
| Community Assets | Community buildings | | <p>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 of amenities will help meet evolving expectations and ensure that these assets remain relevant and beneficial for all residents.</p> |
| | Amenities | 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. | |
| | Social Connections | | |
| | Recreation | Ref: R5510 | |
| | Support | | |
| | Community Events | Things are cheaper compared to down south where we used to live... LIDL is convenient for us, on your doorstep. | |
| | Inclusion | Go to the Family Hub sessions, walk to Annabell's Café. Ref: R5615 | |

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| Health | GP's Exercise Healthy Eating Accessibility | Going to gym. Eat healthy food. Going for hikes and walks. Relax. Ref: RB3340 Health is a precious gift – we need to take care of it. Ref: RB3405 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 Having doctors and medication. Just to get through days without pain and problems. Ref: R4673 Being able to get a GP appointment and consistently see the same GP. Ref: R179 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 | 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. Notes: Whilst quotes and commentary are mostly positive regarding GPS and appointments. Some residents throughout the years have expressed concern about being able to get an appointment. |
| Wellbeing | Volunteering Socialising | I like to be social and chat to people. Ref: R79 | Both structured and informal opportunities for socialising play a vital role in enhancing quality of life and wellbeing for residents. |

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| | <p>The Holmescarr Centre helped me to become a volunteer... Volunteering has had a good effect on my wellbeing.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ref: R179</p> <p>Helping people helps you as well... To feel we all matter.</p> <p>Ref: R539</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> |
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Doncaster Talks

In 2019, Doncaster Talks undertook insight across the borough. Responses were separated into wards and thematically analysed. Across Old Rossington, 39 responses were recorded and the main themes on what people liked about the area, what could be improved, and what the borough should focus on are re shown in Figure 21.

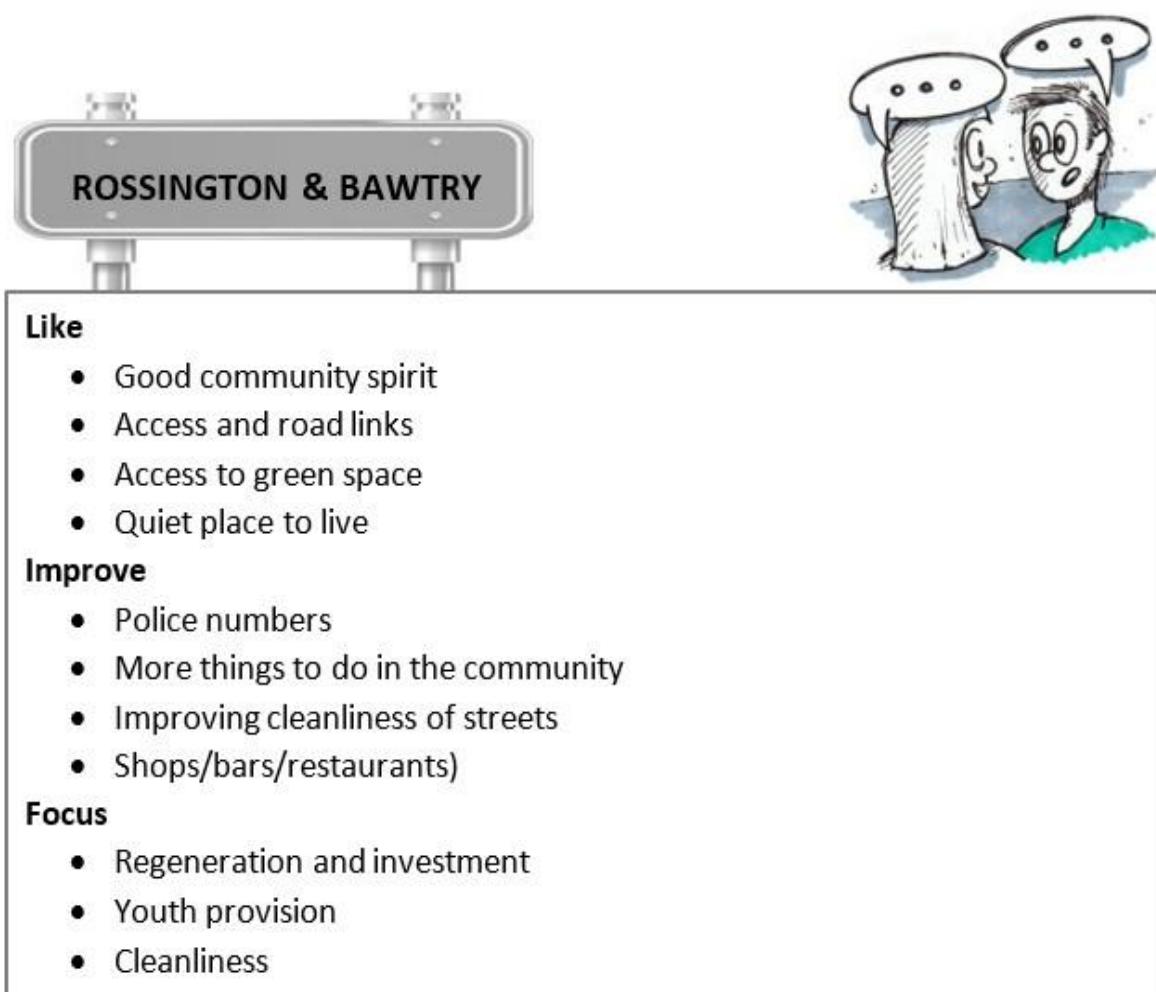


Figure 4. Rossington and Bawtry Doncaster Talks, City of Doncaster Council, 2019

Ward Members

The Rossington and Bawtry ward have three ward members. Councillor Sammut, 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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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 2025 data shows Old Rossington's IMD score is 10.75, ranking 82nd out of Doncaster's 88 communities for most deprived, much lower than neighbouring New Rossington, which remains as one of the most deprived areas in Doncaster with an index of multiple deprivation of 36.02 and is ranked 21st of 88 communities in Doncaster. Old Rossington is therefore one of the least deprived communities in Doncaster

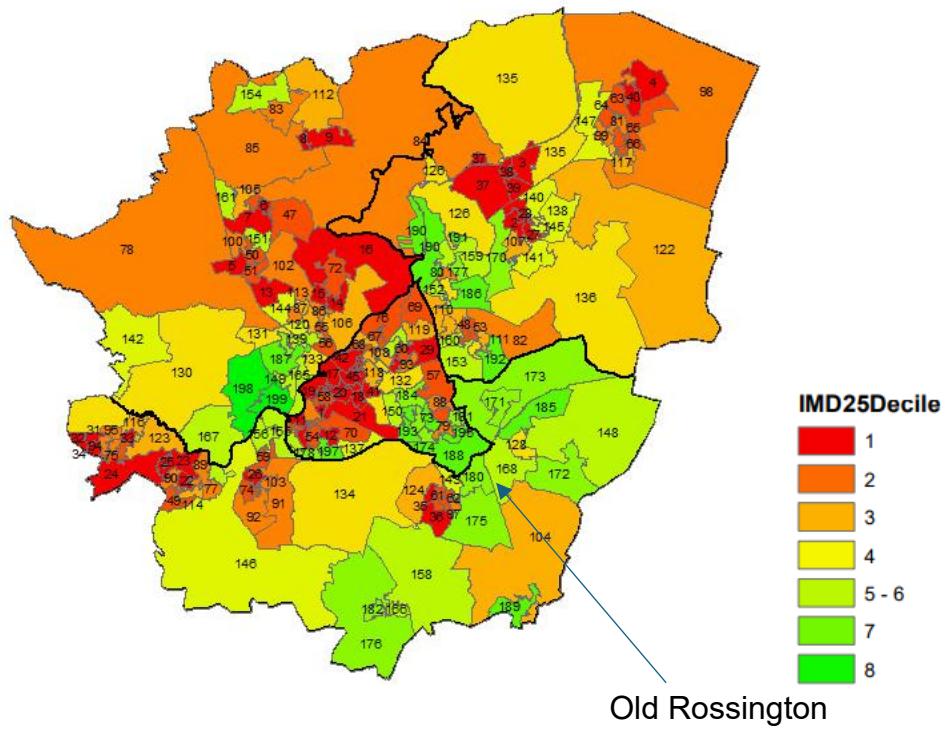


Figure 5. Index of Multiple Deprivation Deciles by LSOA 2025, (ONS 2021)

Wealth Inequalities

In 2025, 15.9% of Rossington Middle-Layer Super Output Area (MSOA) residents are experiencing poverty, lower than the Doncaster average of 29.3%. This is an increase from 2019, where 9.1% of Rossington MSOA residents were living in poverty.

The proportion of older people in poverty in Rossington MSOA (8.6%) is lower than the Doncaster rate (19.4%), this has remained similar since 2019.

Furthermore, 26.7% of children are living in poverty in Rossington MSOA, lower than the Doncaster average, 47.1%, an increase from 13.1% 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 11.5% of Old Rossington residents experiencing poverty, 6% of older people and 18.4% of children.

The prevalence of older people living in poverty and children living in poverty is lower than nearby New Rossington at 30.2% and 51.9% respectively.

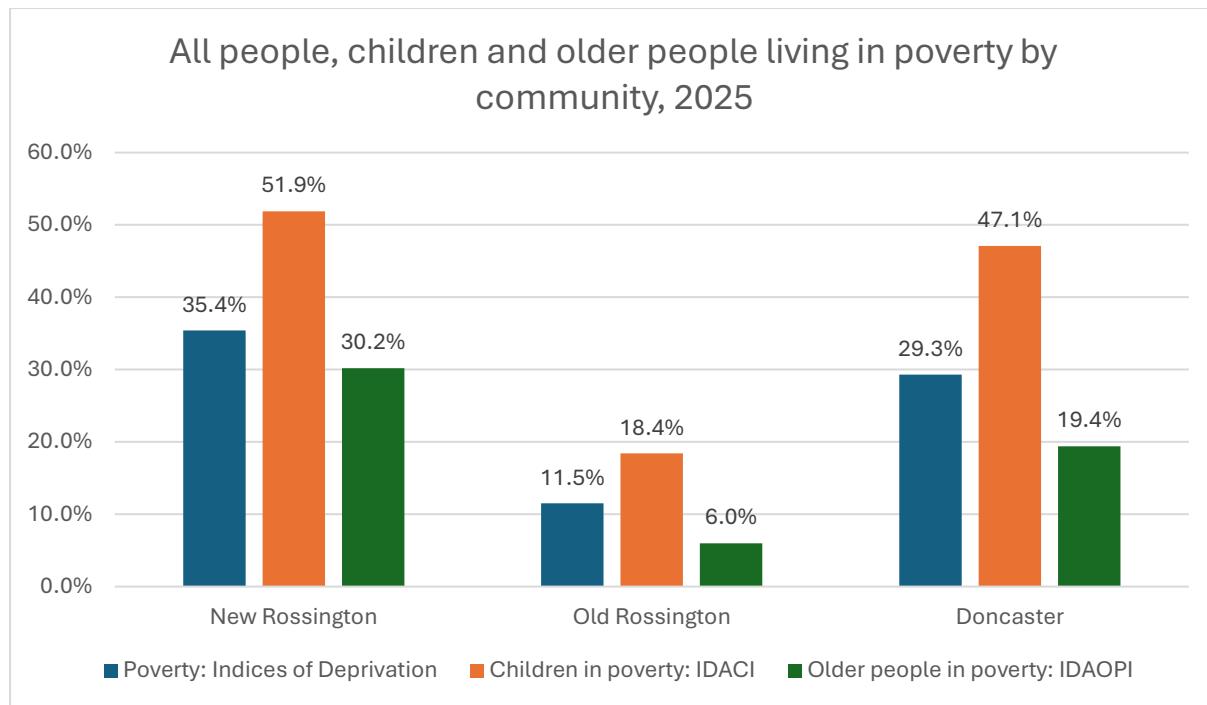


Figure 6: Poverty prevalence using IMD25, (ONS 2025)

Employment

Old Rossington's unemployment rate among working-age adults is 4.9%, higher than Bawtry & Austerfield but still below Doncaster's 6.1% and close to the England average of 5.0%. Of residents aged 16 and over who are not in employment, 14.8% have never worked, which is significantly lower than Doncaster (27.2%) and England (25.6%). However, this figure is notably higher in certain streets such as North Avenue and Argosy Close, where 25.5% and 25.3% respectively of residents who aren't in employment have never worked, the highest in the community. Economic inactivity in Old Rossington is 4.9%, lower than Doncaster (6.8%) and England (7.5%).

Among those in work, the majority in Old Rossington are employed full-time (55.2%), slightly lower than Doncaster (60.7%) and England (59.1%), while a higher proportion work part-time (30.4%) compared to Doncaster (28.9%) and England (29.8%).

Occupation data shows that residents in Elementary Occupations (9.3%) are well below Doncaster (16.5%) and England (10.5%), as are those in Process, Plant & Machine Operative roles (6.1%), compared to Doncaster (10.3%) and England (6.9%). These roles are typically low-skill and low-pay. In contrast, 18.9% of residents work in Professional Occupations, higher than Doncaster (12.8%) and close to England (20.3%), which generally require higher skill levels and offer better pay.

A smaller proportion of people aged 16 and over have no qualifications (19.5%) compared to Doncaster (24.6%) and England (18.1%). However, some streets such as Argosy Close (27.3%) have particularly high levels of

residents with no qualifications, which should be considered when addressing local inequalities.

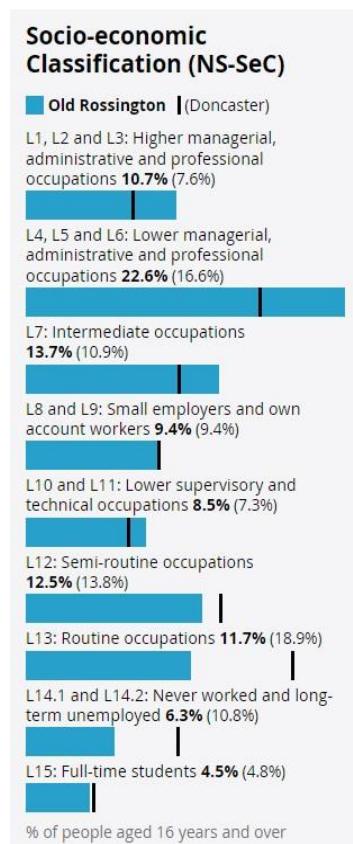


Figure 7. Socio-economic classification in Old Rossington (ONS 2021)

Fuel Poverty

Fuel poverty affects households with low incomes who cannot heat their homes to a reasonable standard. In 2023, 18.8% of households in Old Rossington experienced fuel poverty, around 1 in 5 households, matching Doncaster's average of 18% and exceeding England's national rate of 13.2%.

Food Poverty

There are 6 foodbanks located in the South Locality. There are no foodbanks located in Old Rossington. The closest foodbanks are located in including Rossington, the Trussell Trust Foodbank and Arks and Crafts Foodbank in Rossington. The top reasons for accessing foodbank support include the cost-of-living crisis, debt, and low income in Rossington.

The most common household types needing support from the foodbanks in Rossington 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.

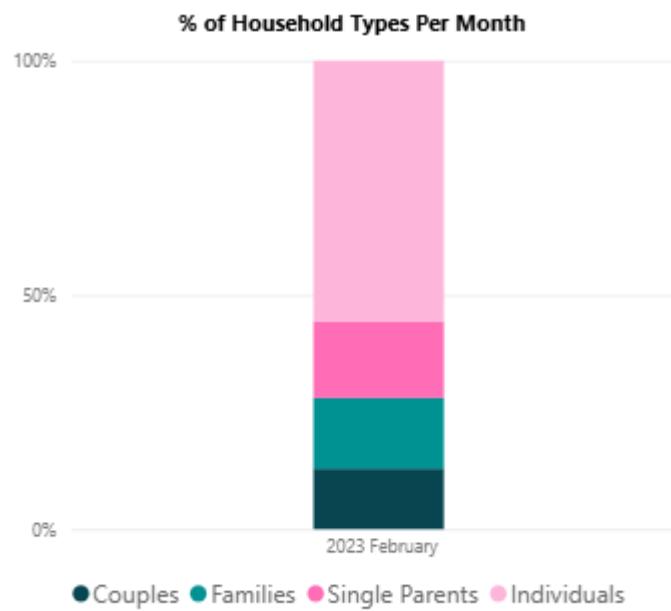


Figure 8. Household types accessing food support at Doncaster Food bank Rossington 2024-25 (City of Doncaster Council, 2025)

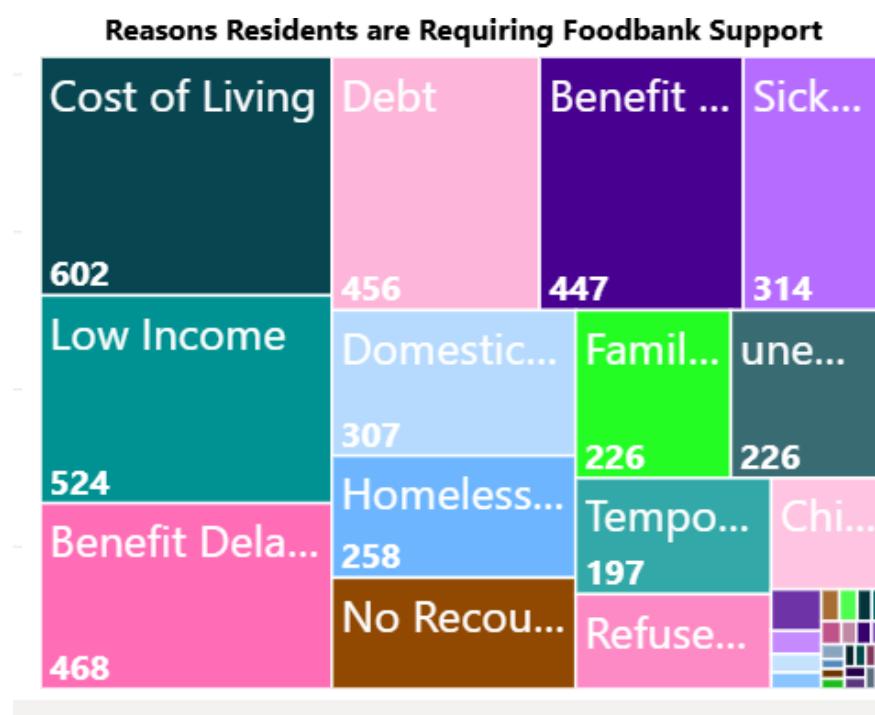


Figure 9. Reasons for accessing food support at Doncaster Foodbank Rossington 2024-25, (City of Doncaster Council, 2025)

The Bread-and-Butter Thing

The purpose of The Bread and Butter Thing (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.

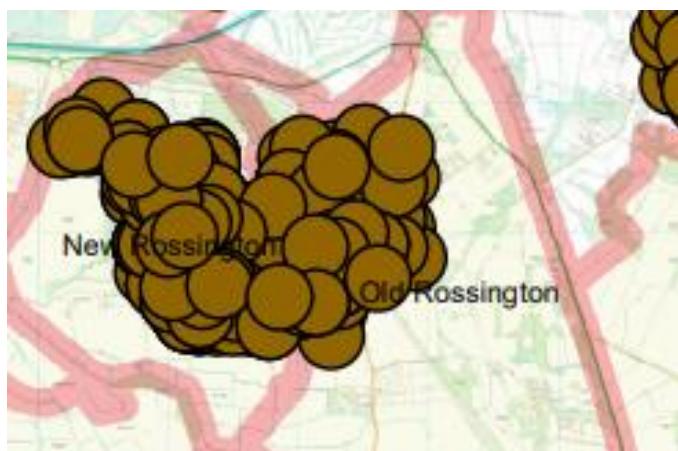


Figure 10. Postcode Map of The Bread and Butter Thing Members in Old Rossington 2024-25 (The Bread and Butter Thing, 2025)

Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough (CADB)

Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough (Cadb) provides free, independent and impartial advice across Doncaster. 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.

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. Client numbers have increased almost every year, showing increased demand for CADB.

| 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 Ward Interactions with Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough for fiscal years 2021/22 to 2024/25 (Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough, 2025)

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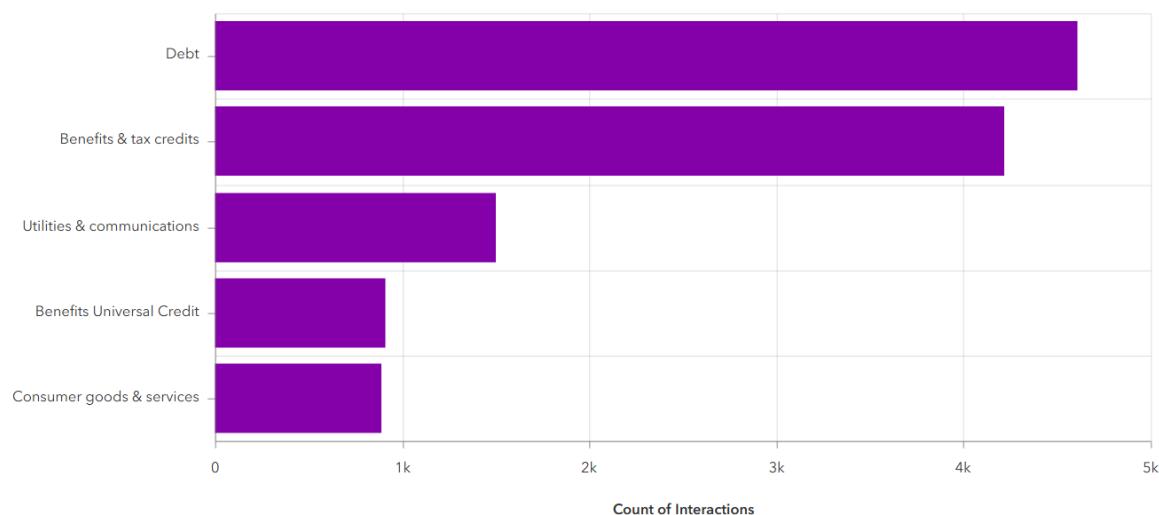


Figure 11. Top five reasons for accessing CADB support in Rossington in 24/25, (Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough, 2025)

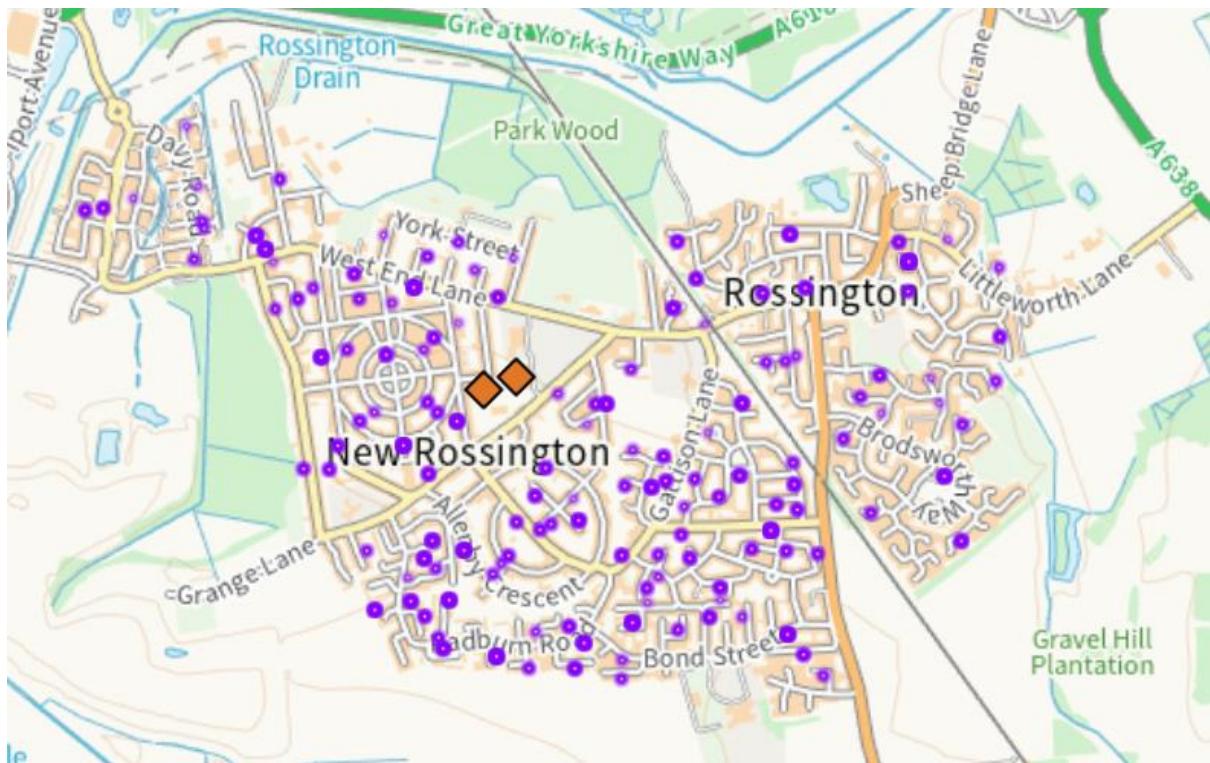


Figure 12. Map of CABD interactions in Rossington and Bawtry by postcode (Citizens Advice Doncaster Borough, 2025)

Health Inequalities

Life Expectancy

In 2025, people living in Rossington have a lower life expectancy and live 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) 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 earlier than Doncaster, (*m*: 57, *f*: 57), and much earlier than England (*m*: 61.5, *f*: 61.9).

Long-Term Health Conditions

The Rossington and Bawtry ward have similar levels of emergency hospital admissions for heart disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), stroke, heart attacks, and coronary heart disease to Doncaster. However, incidences of cancer are significantly higher at 113.1 per 100,000 when using ISR, compared to 109.6 per 100,000 in Doncaster and 99.6 per 100,000 in England. Lung cancer incidence in Rossington and Bawtry is particularly elevated at 166.5 per 100,000, making it the fifth highest in the city, while Doncaster has around 140.2 per 100,000, and England significantly lower at 83.5 per 100,000. Interestingly, the smoking prevalence in Rossington and Bawtry is 8.56%, which is markedly lower than Doncaster's

17.8% and also below the England average of 12.9%, suggesting other contributing factors to the high cancer rates in the ward.

Risk factors for heart disease, such as obesity and alcohol consumption, are also high in Rossington and Bawtry, with 33.6% of adults classified as obese, compared to 29.8% in Doncaster and 29% nationally in England. Additionally, 18.2% of adults in Rossington and Bawtry take medication for high cholesterol, which is higher than the Doncaster average of 15.4% and the England average of 13.7%. Hospital admissions for alcohol-related incidences in Rossington and Bawtry are in line with Doncaster, where the rate is approximately 700 per 100,000 population, closely matching the England average of 694 per 100,000. Figure 12 shows general health in Old Rossington and Doncaster. Old Rossington reports better general health than Doncaster overall, with 47.5% of residents in very good health compared to 44.3% borough-wide. Good health is similar (34.7% vs 34.1%), while fair and poor health are slightly lower in Old Rossington. Very bad health is rare in both areas, but less common in Old Rossington (0.9% vs 1.6%).

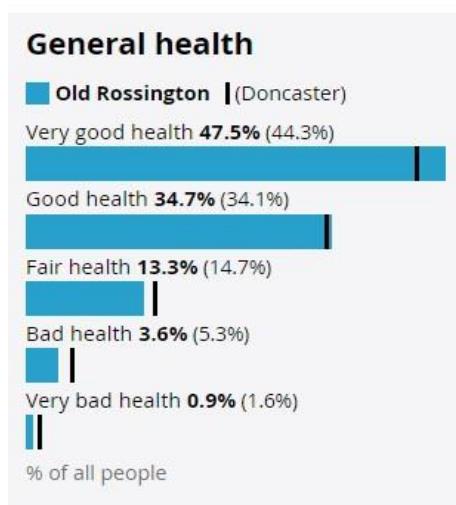


Figure 13. General Health in Old Rossington (ONS 2021)

Hospital Admissions

Emergency admissions in under 5-year-olds (98.7 per 100.0 using ISR) are significantly higher in Rossington & Bawtry than Doncaster (91.1 per 100.0) but lower than England (140.7 per 100.0). Emergency hospital admissions for injuries in under 15-year-olds (103.5 per 100.0) are also significantly higher than Doncaster (88.8 per 100.0) and England (92.0 per 100.0) and are the same as 2021.

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smoking prevalence of 17.6% which is lower than Doncaster average (19.7%).

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Incidence of Death

Rossington and Bawtry exhibits high levels of mortality compared to Doncaster and England. The leading causes of death are those considered preventable. The basic concept of preventable mortality is that deaths are considered preventable if, in light of the understanding of the determinants of health at the time of death, all or most deaths from the underlying cause could potentially be avoided by public health and primary prevention interventions (that is, before the onset of diseases or injuries, to reduce incidence). According to the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID), the under-75 mortality rate from preventable cancer in England is around 48.6 per 100,000, with lung cancer contributing significantly (approximately 24.5 per 100,000). In Rossington & Bawtry Ward, the rate is slightly higher at 52.3 per 100,000, while Doncaster overall stands at 54.1 per 100,000.

Smoking

Rossington and Bawtry ward have a smoking prevalence of 12% in adults, in line with Doncaster at 12.4%.

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%) and the general fertility rate, which is live births per 100.0 women aged 15-44 is lower (59.2) than Doncaster (62.4) and England (59.2). These figures are all the same as reported in 2021.

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 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 the total cost due to

lost productivity from smoking was estimated at £7.54 million which is higher than the borough average (£6.5M).

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 Old Rossington 18.4% of children are classed as living in child poverty, this is much lower than the Doncaster rate (47.1%).

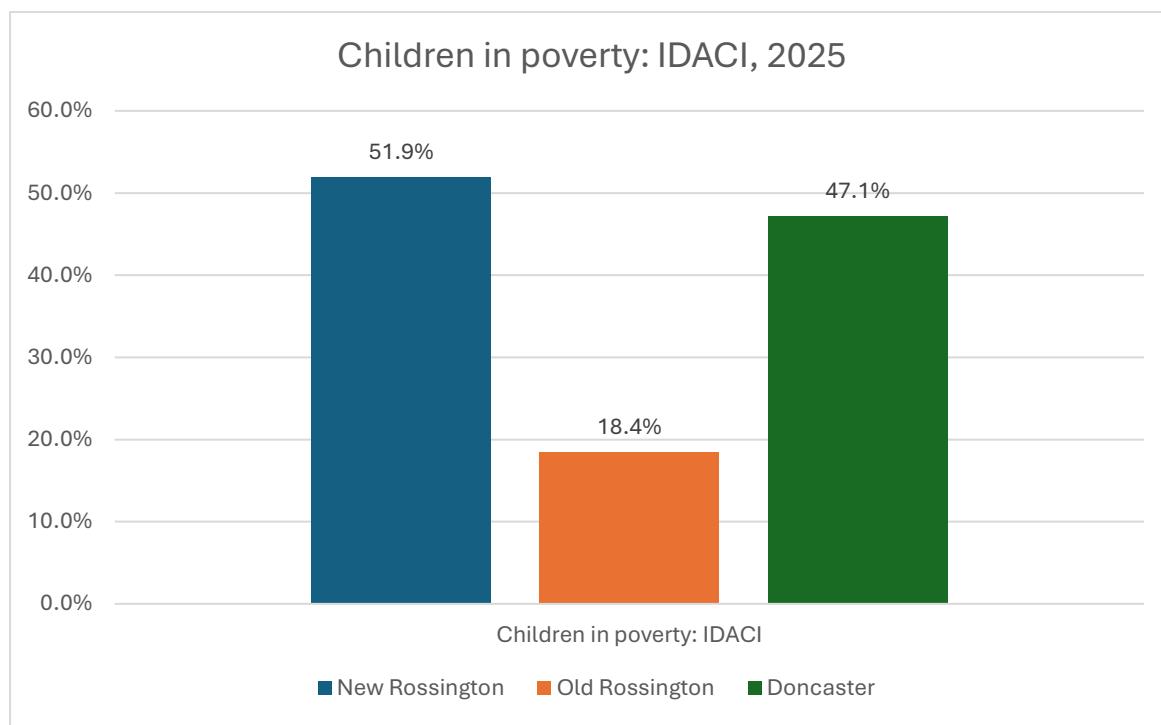


Figure 14. Children in poverty: Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) (aged 0 to 15), (The Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index, 2025)

Childhood Obesity

Between 2021/22 and 2023/24, reception-age children in Rossington had an obesity prevalence of 15.6%, compared to 12.1% in Doncaster and 9.6% in England. The prevalence of overweight (including obesity) at reception age was 25.0%, slightly lower than Doncaster's 25.8% and higher than England's 21.9%. Among Year 6 children, obesity prevalence was 27.8%, close to Doncaster's 26.6% and above England's 22.7%, while overweight (including

obesity) prevalence reached 41.7%, compared to 40.3% in Doncaster and 36.7% nationally.

| Indicator | Period | 036 Rossington | | | Doncaster | | | 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 | - | - | 15.6% | 12.1% | 9.6% | 20.9% |  | 2.2% | |
| Reception prevalence of overweight (including obesity), 3 years data combined | 2021/22 - 23/24 | - | - | 25.0% | 25.8% | 21.9% | 37.9% |  | 6.9% | |
| Year 6 prevalence of obesity (including severe obesity), 3 years data combined | 2021/22 - 23/24 | - | - | 27.8% | 26.6% | 22.7% | 42.0% |  | 3.8% | |
| Year 6 prevalence of overweight (including obesity), 3 years data combined | 2021/22 - 23/24 | - | - | 41.7% | 40.3% | 36.7% | 55.1% |  | 10.3% | |

Figure 15. Children's weight indicators in Rossington and Bawtry Ward (ONS, 2021)

Learner Outcomes

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 and the figure shows the percentage of pupils who have reached the expected standard in all three. In Old Rossington, out of 44 pupils with an Old Rossington postcode, 82% reach the expected standard in reading, writing and maths. This is an increase from 2023, which was 73% and 77% in 2022. This is higher than Doncaster wide, at 59% in 2024.

At 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 57 pupils with an Old Rossington Postcode, GCSE attainment 8 score was 50.7 2024, an increase from 49.1 In 2023 but a decrease from 58.8 in 2022. This is lower than the Doncaster wide score in 2024, which is 44.

In 2024, 3 children in Old Rossington are missing from school and 12 are home educated.

Pupil Lifestyle Survey

The Pupil Lifestyle Survey, conducted by City of Doncaster Council, provides insight into the health-related behaviours of children and young people through an anonymous school-based questionnaire. Data is collected at key stages and reported by ward. In 2024, 46 pupils from Rossington and Bawtry participated in the survey. Of these, 46 percent identified as girls and 46 percent as boys, with the remainder preferring not to say or identifying differently. Seventy-eight percent of respondents were White, nine percent

were from ethnic minority groups, and the rest preferred not to disclose. The proportion of pupils for whom English was a second language was 20 percent in 2024, slightly lower than 23 percent in 2023 and 22 percent in 2022. Disability prevalence remained broadly consistent at nine percent, in line with Doncaster overall. Special Educational Needs were reported by 13 percent of pupils, the same as the Doncaster average, but among those pupils, 63 percent received extra help at school, which is significantly higher than the Doncaster figure of 43 percent.

In terms of eating habits, 52 percent of pupils had school dinners in 2024, similar to Doncaster overall at 55 percent. Thirteen percent of pupils received free school meals, which is lower than Doncaster's 19 percent and represents a slight increase from 11 percent in 2023 but a decrease from 17 percent in 2022. Breakfast consumption remained high at 96 percent, consistent with previous years. Ethnic minority representation has remained stable over time, with nine percent in 2024 compared to eight percent in both 2023 and 2022.

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 including Denaby and Conisbrough, Mexborough and Rossington.

Membership data shows the percentage of eligible children signed up to Family Hubs. In Q4 of fiscal year 2024-2025 Old Rossington Family hub membership was 50% for children aged 0-8 weeks, 92% for 0-1 year and 11-month-old children and 94% for children aged between 0-4 years and 11 months. Old Rossington had a similar rate of membership than some other communities in South and Old Rossington does have a family hub located there. Overall membership for South is 92%.

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 in Old Rossington is similar compared to other wards, especially at age 0-1 years and 11 months (44%) and 61% 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.

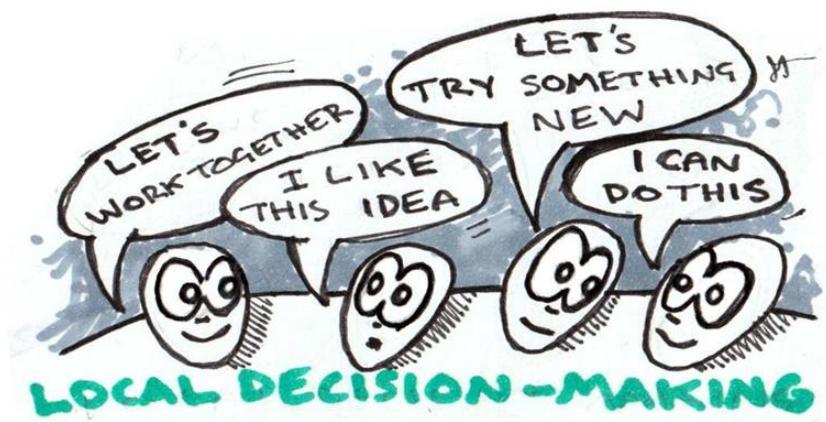
| | 0-8 weeks | 0-1 year and 11 months | 0-4 years and 11 months |
|------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Membership | 50% | 92% | 94% |
| Access | NA | 61% | 70% |
| Engagement | NA | 44% | 61% |

Table 2. Old Rossington Family Hub children's membership, access and engagement figures fiscal Q4 2024-25, (City of Doncaster Council, 2025)

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

Table 3. South Locality Family Hub children's membership, access and engagement figures across all ages for 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 Old Rossington (75%) compared with Doncaster (64%).



Physical Activity

Across Doncaster, 29.1% of adults are physically inactive and this is higher than across England (25.4%). The number of physically active adults in Doncaster is lower than the England rate, at 59.0% and 62.3% respectively.

The Mosaic map below shows levels of inactive households across Doncaster. Data is mapped to LSOA, however wards are shown and labelled for orientation. The areas are a low to moderate number of inactive households, with the number of inactive households higher in the North of the ward.

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.

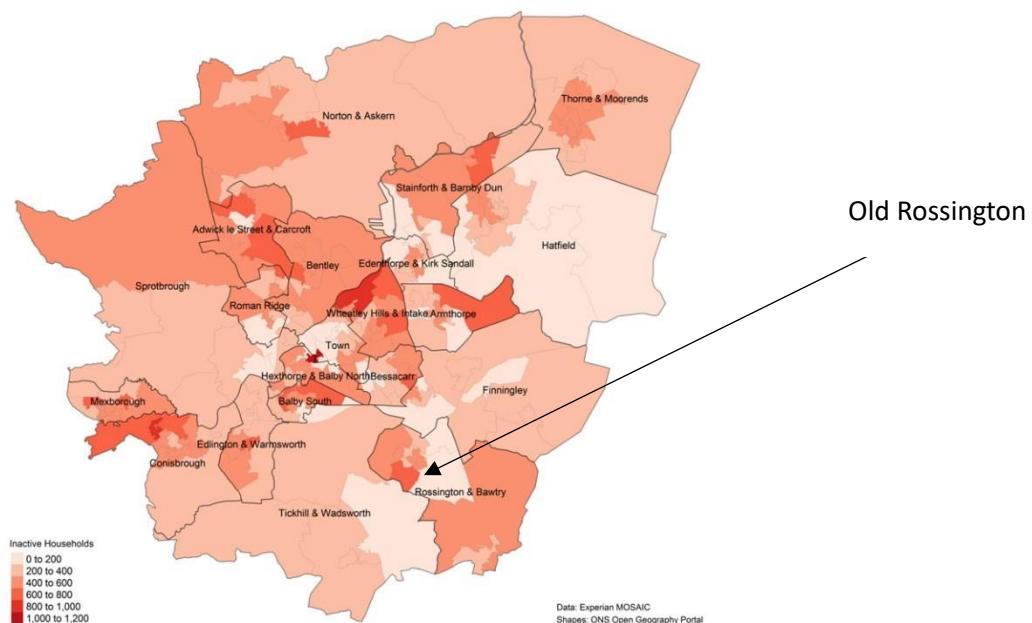


Figure 16. Map of Inactive Households, (Get Doncaster Moving, 2023)

Physical Activity Children and Young People

Data from the 2024 Pupil Lifestyle survey reports in Rossington and Bawtry, 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 and Parks

There are green space assets for the whole Rossington & Bawtry ward available, and in close proximity to the communities. It 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.

| 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 4. Green spaces and parks in Rossington and Bawtry 2025. (Get Doncaster Moving, 2025)

The playgrounds and play parks consist of 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.

Community Information

Population

Population Size

Old Rossington: 4100

Age Profile

Old Rossington shows an ageing population with the highest difference when compared to Doncaster was in the age range 70-74 years of age at 7.8% compared to Doncaster 5.3%.

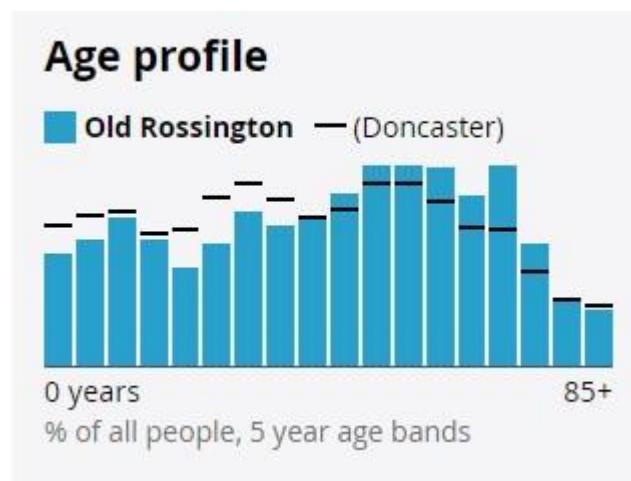


Figure 17. Age Profile in Rossington (ONS 2021)

This is also reflected in the graph showing Rossington and Bawtry compared to Doncaster and England below:

| Indicators | Rossington & Bawtry | Doncaster (LTLA 2021) | Doncaster (UTLA 2021) | England |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Population aged 0 to 4 years (%) | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| Population aged 5 to 15 years (%) | 13.5 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.5 |
| Population aged 16 to 24 years (%) | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 10.5 |
| Population aged 25 to 64 years (%) | 50.8 | 52.2 | 52.2 | 51.8 |
| Population aged 50 to 64 years (%) | 21.2 | 20.2 | 20.2 | 19.2 |
| Population aged 65 years and over (%) | 20.9 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 18.5 |

Source: Office for National Statistics (ONS) Small area population estimates, England and Wales: mid 2020

Figure 18. Population by Age Group in Percentages 2020, (ONS 2021)

Ethnicity and Language

Maps below show the majority of Old Rossington population identifying as 'White' and the main language spoken is English.

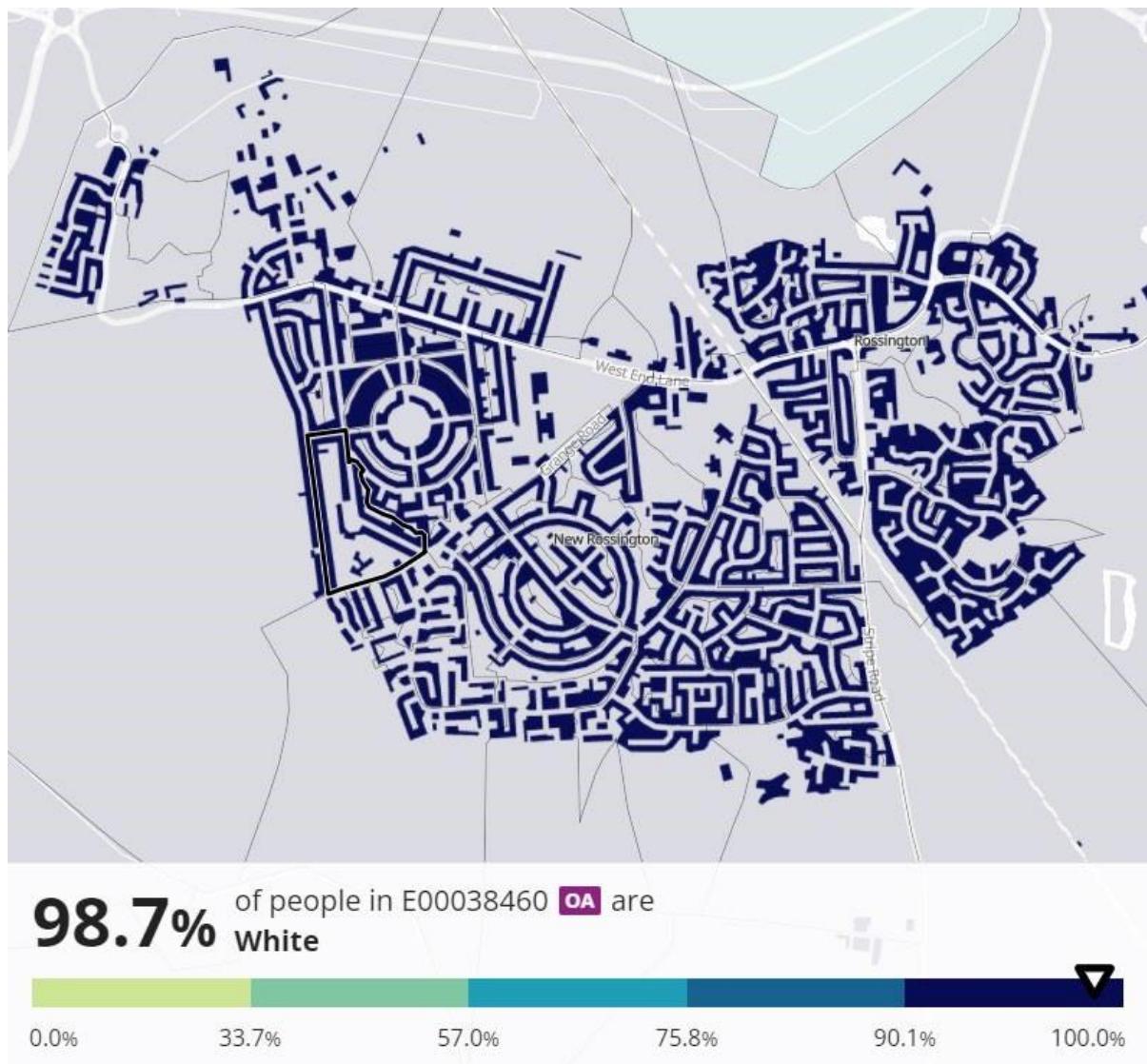


Figure 19. Population Who Identify as White, Rossington 2021, (ONS 2021)

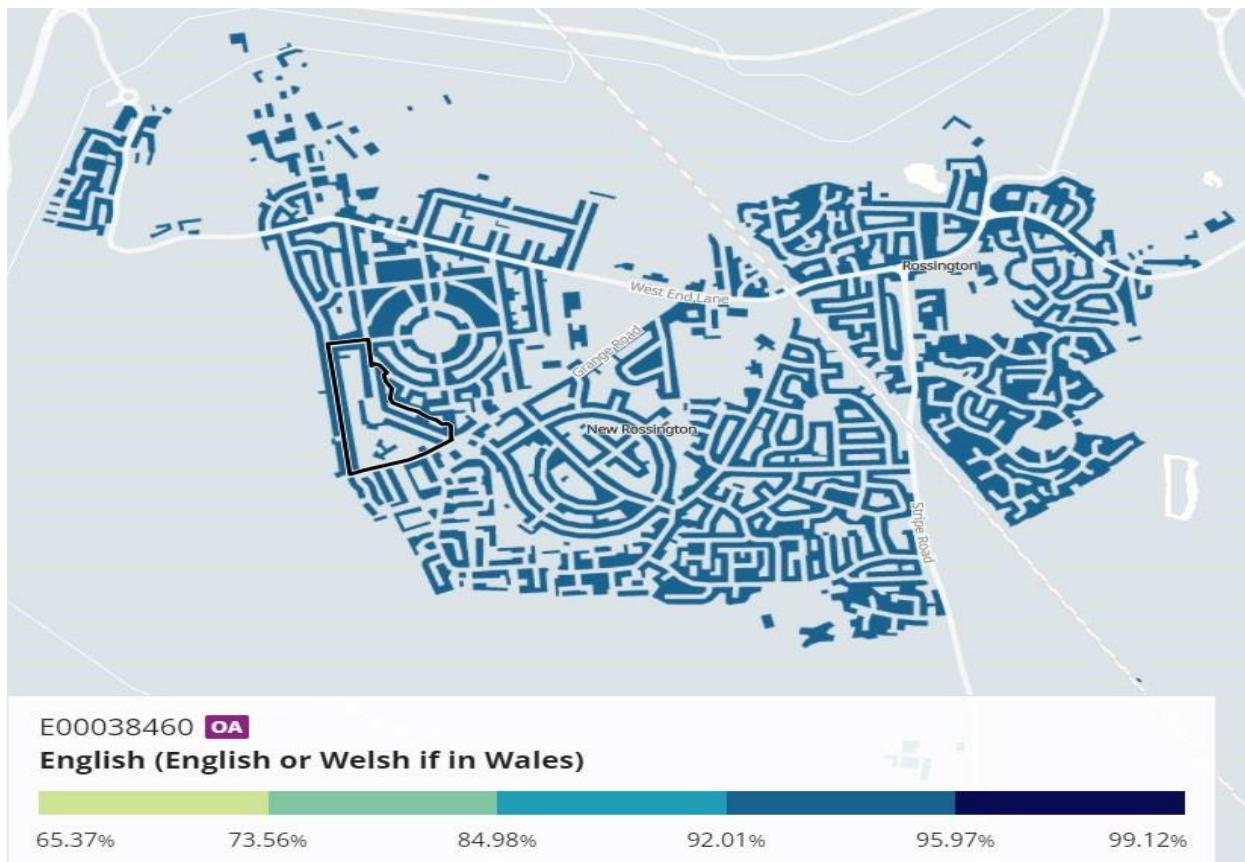


Figure 20. Languages Spoken in Old Rossington (ONS, 2021)

Housing

Old Rossington has a semi-rural housing profile that shapes residents' health and wellbeing. Around 32% of homes are socially rented and 27% are owned outright, differing from regional trends. The area is dominated by semi-detached (45%) and terraced (39%) housing. Overcrowding affects 2.6% of households, a rate slightly above Doncaster's average. These patterns reflect the need for targeted housing policies to reduce inequality and support healthier living environments.

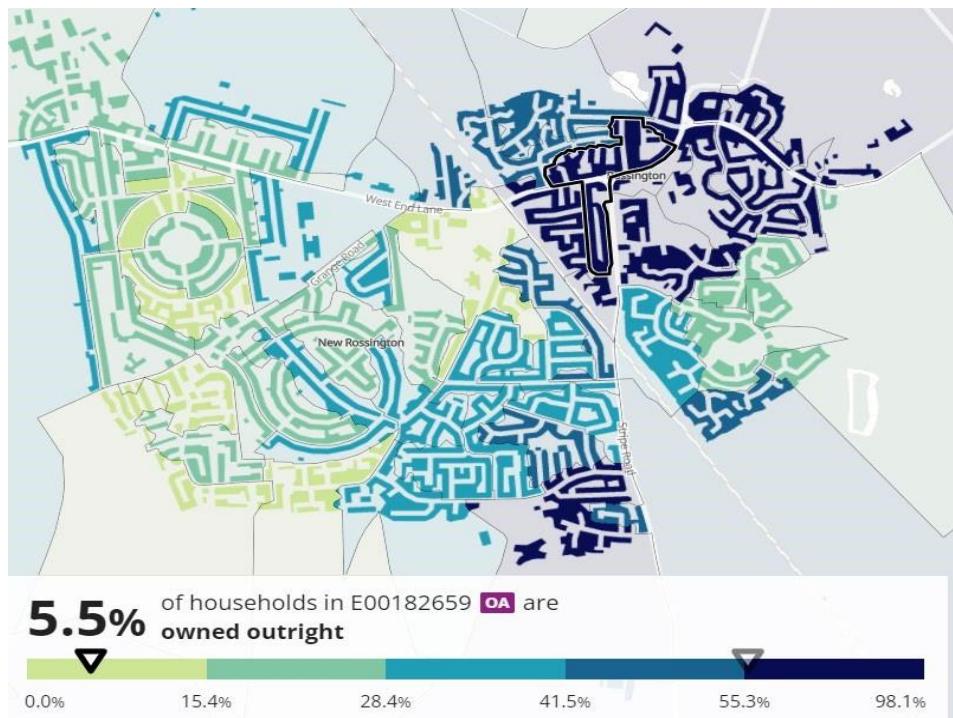


Figure 21. Households Owned Outright in Old Rossington (ONS, 2021)

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.

Key Community Safety Priorities

The Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership

We're 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

People in South Doncaster told us that anti-social behaviour remains a big concern, even though some improvements have been made. Residents spoke about youth-related disturbances, intimidation, and visible drug use, which make certain areas feel unsafe—especially for older and disabled people. There's also frustration about limited trust in enforcement, with many saying they don't feel confident reporting issues. Poorly maintained public spaces and fly-tipping add to the sense of neglect. While there is pride in the community and optimism about recent progress, people want to see more visible policing, quicker responses, and better youth services to reduce disruption and build a stronger sense of safety and belonging.

Antisocial 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.

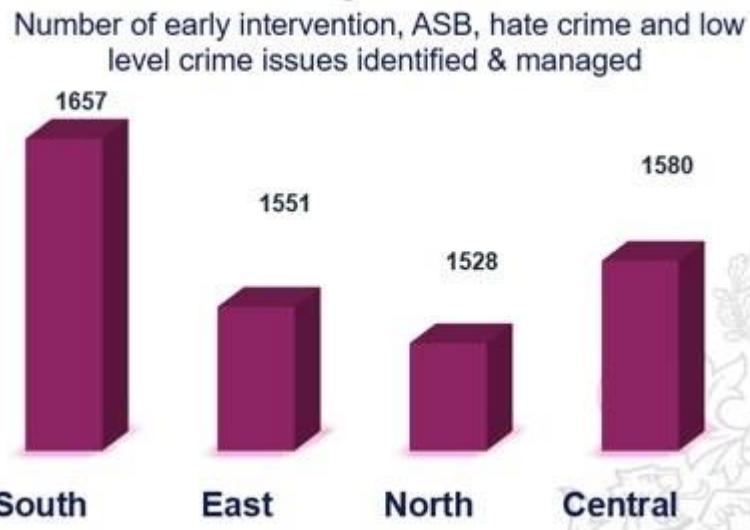


Figure 22. Number of Cases by Locality 2023-24 (City of Doncaster Council, 2024)

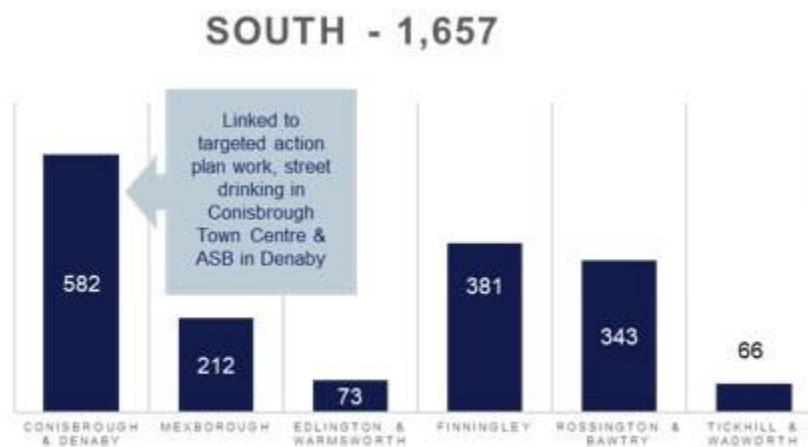


Figure 23. Number of early interventions, ASB, hate crime and low-level crime issues identified in communities 2023-24, (City of Doncaster Council, 2024)

Wellbeing service

Wellbeing services are delivered by City of Doncaster Council and supports residents with issues such as financial support, physical health, housing, mental health and social isolation to prevent escalation into social care services. Table 7 shows the top 5 communities in Doncaster accessing the service, with Rossington and Bawtry being number 3 in 2024/25. Table 8 shows the top 3 themes most prevalent in Rossington and Bawtry, which are Housing and living Environment, Financial and Physical health.

| 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 & Balby North |
| 3 | Thorne & Moorends | Mexborough | Mexborough | Rossington & Bawtry |
| 4 | Adwick & Carcroft | Adwick & Carcroft | Hexthorpe & Balby North and Bentley | Thorne & Moorends |
| 5 | Town/City Ward | Bessacarr & Cantley | Rossington & Bawtry and Town/City Ward | Norton & Askern |

Table 7. Top 5 wards Using the Wellbeing Service 2024-25, (City of Doncaster Council, 2025)

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

Table 8. Top three most common themes residents are accessing the Wellbeing Service for support in Rossington and Bawtry. 2024-25 (City of Doncaster Council, 2054)

Community Investment

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

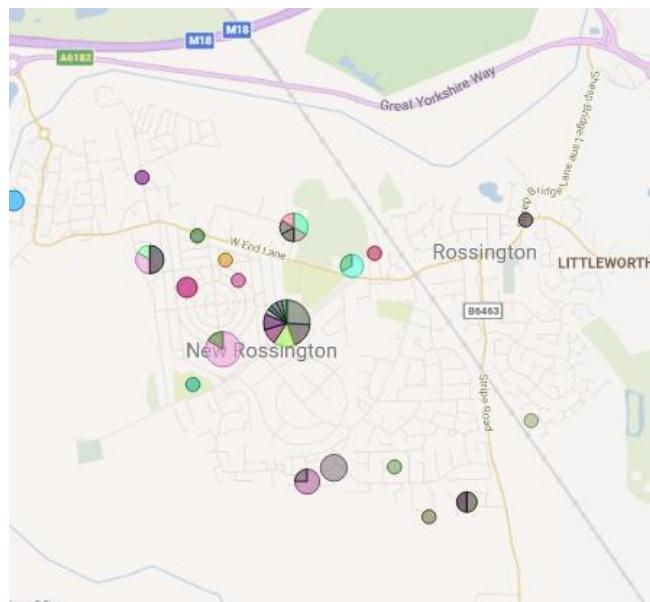


Figure 24. Community Investment in Rossington and Bawtry Ward, 2025, (Doncaster Delivering Together, 2025)



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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](#)

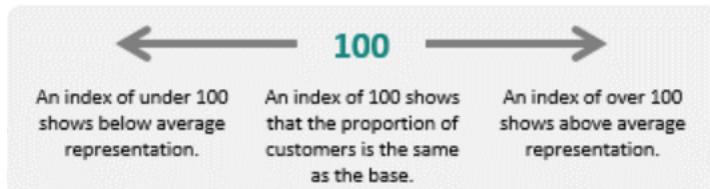
Acorn profiles

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 Infirmity 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

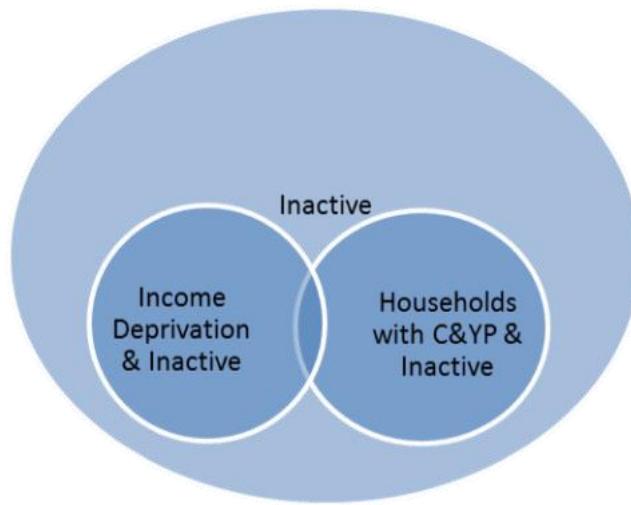
Get Doncaster Moving survey

<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 \(healthylearningdoncaster.co.uk\)](#)

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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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-1.136502800000032&z=14>