

# Westhoughton South ward

## Our people



**13,000** people live in the ward<sup>1</sup>

Resident age<sup>1</sup>:

- **19%** are aged **0-15**
- **25%** are aged **25-44**
- **10%** are aged **65-74**
- **7%** are aged **75+**



Resident ethnicity<sup>2</sup>:

- **2%** from **Asian** backgrounds
- **1%** from **Black** backgrounds
- **95%** from **White** backgrounds



Household makeup<sup>2</sup>:

- **27%** are **single person** households
- **31%** have **dependent children**



Housing type<sup>3</sup>:

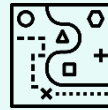
- **72%** of households **own** their home
  - **29%** own their **semi-detached**
  - **29%** own their **detached house**
- **18%** live in a **social rented** home
  - **7%** live in a socially rented **semi**
- **10%** live in a **private rented** home
  - **4%** - a private rented **semi**



## Our place

Land use within the ward<sup>4</sup>

- **23% developed land**
  - 6% residential
  - 9% highways and road transport
- **75% undeveloped land**
  - 31% agriculture
  - 19% residential gardens
  - 15% outdoor recreation

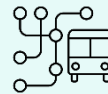


**1 Retail Centre** in or near the ward<sup>5</sup>:

- Westhoughton – **£10** million



**13%** of ward residents live in an area with a nationally **high risk of transport related social exclusion**<sup>6</sup>



**5 listed buildings**<sup>7</sup> - 1 grade II\* listed

- Church of St James (II\*)
- Westhoughton CofE primary school (II)
- Sundial at St Bartholemew church (II)
- ...



## Our health



**81%** say their **health is good/** very good<sup>2</sup>

Health behaviours among adults:

- **27%** are physically **inactive**<sup>8,9</sup>  
Less than 30 mins brisk walk a week
- **14%** smoke<sup>10</sup>
- **10%** drink alcohol at high/ very high levels<sup>10</sup>



**36%** of young people in **Year 6** (age 10-11) are **above a healthy weight**<sup>12</sup>



Long term conditions<sup>13</sup>:

- **23%** experience **depression**
- **1%** experience **severe mental illness**
- **8%** experience **asthma**



**Life expectancy** at birth gives an overview of population health<sup>11</sup>

- **Male 75-79**: up to 4 years below England
- **Female 80-83**: up 3 years below England



**15 road traffic collisions** with 1+ person **killed or seriously injured** 2022-24<sup>12</sup>

- 6% of Bolton's total



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