

# Smithills ward

## Our people



**15,100** people live in the ward<sup>1</sup>

Resident age<sup>1</sup>:

- **22%** are aged **0-15**
- **26%** are aged **25-44**
- **9%** are aged **65-74**
- **8%** are aged **75+**



Resident ethnicity<sup>2</sup>:



- **14%** from **Asian** backgrounds
- **3%** from **Black** backgrounds
- **79%** from **White** backgrounds

Household makeup<sup>2</sup>:



- **28%** are **single person** households
- **33%** have **dependent children**

Housing type<sup>3</sup>:

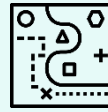


- **68%** of households **own** their home
  - **32%** own their **semi-detached**
  - **24%** own their **terraced house**
- **15%** live in a **social rented** home
  - **6%** live in a socially rented **terrace**
- **17%** live in a **private rented** home
  - **8%** - a private rented **terrace**



## Our place

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

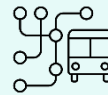


- **12% developed land**
  - 3% residential
  - 6% highways and road transport
- **87% undeveloped land**
  - 35% forest, open land and water
  - 31% agriculture
  - 11% outdoor recreation



**1 retail centres** in or near the ward<sup>5</sup>:

- Chorley Old Rd – **£4 million**



**0%** of ward residents live in an area with a nationally **high risk of transport related social exclusion**<sup>6</sup>



**38 listed buildings**<sup>7</sup> - 1 grade I listed

- Smithills Hall (I)
- Chimney at Moss Lane junction (II)
- Scant Row, Chorley Old Rd (II)
- ...

## Our health



**82%** say their **health is good/very good**<sup>2</sup>

Health behaviours among adults:



- **29%** are physically **inactive**<sup>8,9</sup>  
Less than 30 mins brisk walk a week
- **15%** smoke<sup>10</sup>
- **10%** drink alcohol at high/very high levels<sup>10</sup>



**35%** of young people in **Year 6** (age 10-11) are **above a healthy weight**<sup>12</sup>

Long term conditions<sup>10</sup>:



- **21%** experience **depression**
- **1%** experience **severe mental illness**
- **7%** experience **asthma**



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

- **Male 77-78:** 1-2 yrs below England
- **Female 83-84:** up to 1 yr above England



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

- 4% of Bolton's total

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