

Early Years

Sutton Coldfield District

Performance Summary

1 Demographics

Sutton Coldfield District has 5,182 children who are under 5 within it, 5.9% of the city total. This is unevenly spread across the wards (table 1) with Sutton Trinity ward containing the most. Sutton New Hall ward contains the least children under 5 in both the district and of all wards across the city.

Table 1 – Children Under 5 Years Old (source BCC 2016)

Ward	Children Under 5
Sutton Four Oaks	1,348
Sutton New Hall	1,037
Sutton Trinity	1,494
Sutton Vesey	1,303
District	5,182
City	86,601

In terms of ethnicity, unlike the city as whole, BME groups make up a minority of children under 5 across the district, with all wards similar to the district rate. Sutton Vesey has the highest rate containing just over 25%.

Table 2 – Ethnicity (source 2011 census)

Ward	Ethnicity					No. BME	% BME
	Asian	Black	Mixed	White	Other		
Sutton Four Oaks	134	29	83	1099	8	254	19%
Sutton New Hall	125	27	64	948	13	229	19%
Sutton Trinity	130	46	153	1095	6	335	23%
Sutton Vesey	158	26	86	865	11	281	25%
District	547	128	386	4007	38	1099	22%
City	28846	8661	8790	32870	2734	49031	59.9%

2 Family

Across the district as a whole, the number of vulnerable children under 5 is 52, just under 2.9% of the city total. Sutton Trinity ward has the highest number of vulnerable children with 22 (table 3).

In terms of rate of vulnerable children Sutton Coldfield district has below city rates for vulnerable children who are under 5 years old, with all wards recording figures below the city average. Sutton

Trinity ward has the highest rate at 14.7 per thousand children under 5. Sutton Four Oaks ward has the lowest rate with 7.4 per thousand children under 5.

A child is defined a vulnerable if it is known to children services.

Table 3 – Vulnerable Children under 5 Years old (source BCC June 2017)

Ward	Vuln Children (Under 5)	
	Count	rate per '000 children <5
Sutton Four Oaks	10	7.4
Sutton New Hall	8	7.7
Sutton Trinity	22	14.7
Sutton Vesey	12	9.2
District	52	10.0
City	1817	21.0

Within Sutton Coldfield district, there were 28 children under 5 who were in households that became priority homeless in 2016/17 financial year. This was 1.0% of the city's total and a rate below the city average (Table 4).

Sutton Trinity ward saw the highest number with 13 children and the highest rate with 8.7 children becoming priority homeless per thousand children.

Sutton New Hall ward had the lowest number of children (1) and also the lowest rate (1.0) which was below the city's average.

Table 4 – Homeless Children Under 5 Years Old (source BCC 2016/17)

Ward	Children <5 Priority Homeless (incl Pregnant)	
	Count	Rate per '000 children < 5
Sutton Four Oaks	3	2.2
Sutton New Hall	1	1.0
Sutton Trinity	13	8.7
Sutton Vesey	11	8.4
District	28	5.4
City	2811	32.5

3 Deprivation

Deprivation is at very low levels across the Sutton Coldfield district (Table 5), with Sutton Trinity ward containing the highest children under 5 – 287 or 19% - who are in the 30% most deprived areas of England. No wards within the district have any children under 5 who are in the 10% most deprived areas in England.

Compared to the city, Sutton Coldfield district has a considerable lower percentage of children in the 30% most deprived areas of England than the city, with Sutton Four Oaks Ward having none.

No wards in Sutton Coldfield have any children under 5 in the 10% most deprived areas in England. Across the all wards only 470 children are in the 30% most deprived areas of England, with over half in areas of 20% to 30% most deprived areas of England.

Table 5 – Deprivation (Source IMD 2015)

Ward	Deprivation					
	IMD 2015 (overall) – Count of Children Under 5				Within 0-30%	
	0 to 10%	10% to 20%	20% to 30%	30% plus	%	No. Children < 5
Sutton Four Oaks	0	0	0	1348	0%	0
Sutton New Hall	0	42	82	913	12%	124
Sutton Trinity	0	180	107	1207	19%	287
Sutton Vesey	0	0	59	1244	5%	59
District	0	222	248	4712	9%	470
City	43948	14100	8254	20299	77%	66302

The attached map also shows the deprivation of Sutton Coldfield district in relation to the 5 children's centres currently operating.

4 Education

Sutton Coldfield district has a higher rate of children aged 2 who are eligible for free early education taking up places than for the city as whole. The rate for Sutton New Hall ward is the lowest and below the city rate. Sutton Vesey ward has the highest rate (Table 6).

In terms of children, Sutton Trinity has the highest number of children who are eligible (75) and accessing the entitlement (50) across the district. Sutton New Hall ward has the lowest numbers of children eligible (25) and accessing (14) the entitlement.

There are 59 children across the district that are eligible to access early education but are not taking up the placement. Sutton Trinity ward has the largest number of children, with 25.

Table 6 – Take up of Early Education Entitlement (EEE) for 2 Year Olds (source BCC, 2017)

Ward	2 Yr old take up of EEE			
	Access	Eligible	% Accessing	Not accessing
Sutton Four Oaks	20	33	61%	13
Sutton New Hall	14	25	56%	11
Sutton Trinity	50	75	67%	25
Sutton Vesey	31	41	76%	10
District	115	174	66%	59
City	5717	9114	63%	3,397

The rate of children achieving good at Early Years Foundation Stage assessments in Sutton Coldfield district are above the city rate (Table 7), with all wards having a higher rate than the city, led by Sutton Four Oaks ward.

However, there are still 267 children who have not achieved good at EYFS across the district, with Sutton Trinity ward containing the most with 85 children.

Table 7 – Children Achieving Good at Early Years Foundation Stage (Source BCC, 2015/16)

Ward	Development at EYFS			
	Total Pupils	% achieving Good	No. Pupils Achieving Good	No. Pupils Not Achieving Good
Sutton Four Oaks	294	79.6%	234	60
Sutton New Hall	229	76.4%	175	54
Sutton Trinity	295	71.2%	210	85
Sutton Vesey	253	73.1%	185	68
District	1071	75.1%	804	267
City	16534	63.7%	10532	6002

5 Health

Breast feeding rates for Sutton Coldfield district are above the city's rate at both the initial and 6-8 week check-up (Table 8).

Sutton New Hall ward has the lowest rates for Breast Feeding initially (60%) and at the 6-8 week check-up (47%), both below the city rate.

Sutton Four Oaks ward has the highest rate for initial breast feeding with 72%, and at the 6-8 week check-up (58%).

Table 8 – Breast Feeding Rates (Source BCC 15/16)

Ward	Breast Feeding	
	Initially	6-8 weeks
Sutton Four Oaks	72%	58%
Sutton New Hall	60%	47%
Sutton Trinity	62%	52%
Sutton Vesey	71%	55%
District	67%	53%
City	64%	52%

Low Birth Weights across the district are below the city rate, with all wards below the city's rate (Table 9). Sutton Trinity ward has the highest rate and Sutton Four Oaks ward has the lowest rate.

Table 9 – Low Birth Weight Rates (Source BCC 2015)

Ward	Low Birth Weight
Sutton Four Oaks	5.9%
Sutton New Hall	7.7%
Sutton Trinity	8.4%
Sutton Vesey	6.9%
District	7.2%
City	9.5%

More children within Sutton Coldfield district have a normal weight at School reception age than the city, by 5.6%. All wards have lower underweight and obesity rates of children at reception age (Table 10).

Three out of four wards have rates of overweight children greater than the city average, with Sutton Vesey being the exception.

Table 10 – Weight at School Reception Year (Source BCC 2015/16)

Ward	Weight at Reception %			
	Under	Normal	Over	Obese
Sutton Four Oaks	0.8	81.9	12.1	5.3
Sutton New Hall	1.4	80.5	12.2	5.8
Sutton Trinity	0.6	80.0	12.6	6.8
Sutton Vesey	0.9	79.9	11.9	7.2
District	0.9	80.6	12.2	6.3
City	1.5	75.0	12.1	11.4

6 Access to Children's Centres

Access to children's centres in Sutton Coldfield district by children under 5 years old who are living within the district is shown in Table 11.

It shows that in the 12 months from June 2016, that just over 50% of children accessed a children's centre at least once. This represents 2,573 children. However, 2,609 children in Selly Oak did not access a children's centre during that 12 month period – but 97% of 3 and 4 year olds in the district (1,410 children) were in EEE settings outside of children's centres. This still leaves 1,199 children under 5 years old or 23.1% who did not access a children's centre or where not in another EEE setting.

When viewed in terms of deprivation, the highest access rate was for children who were lived in the areas of Sutton Coldfield within 10% to 20% most deprived areas of England. This was just over half of these children – 123 or 55%. This leaves 99 children from this deprivation band not accessing children centres.

Table 11 – Access to Children's Centres in Sutton Coldfield district (Source BCC, June16 to May17 inclusive)

Attended at Children's Centres 1 June 16 to 31 May 17	Deprivation				Total
	0 to 10%	10% to 20%	20% to 30%	30% plus	
Number under fives	0	222	248	4712	5182
Number under fives seen	0	123	120	2330	2573
% under fives seen	NA	55%	48%	49%	50%