

# Early Years

## Perry Barr District

### Performance Summary

#### 1 Demographics

Perry Barr district has 8,859 children who are under 5 within it, 10.2% of the city total. This is unevenly spread across the wards (table 1) with Lozells and East Handsworth containing the most. Oscott ward contains the least children under 5 in the district.

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

Ward	Children Under 5
Handsworth Wood	2,070
Lozells and East Handsworth	3,152
Oscott	1,785
Perry Barr	1,852
District	8,859
City	86,601

In terms of ethnicity, Perry Barr district has majority of it's under 5s from BME groups, above the city as whole. Lozells and East Handsworth ward has the highest rate with 94%, while Oscott ward has the lowest with 27%.

**Table 2 – Ethnicity** (source 2011 census)

Ward	Ethnicity					No. BME	% BME
	Asian	Black	Mixed	White	Other		
Handsworth Wood	1116	289	207	337	101	1713	84%
Lozells and East Handsworth	1813	549	210	180	70	2642	94%
Oscott	169	128	150	1211	6	453	27%
Perry Barr	700	206	204	569	21	1131	67%
District	3798	1172	771	2297	198	5939	72%
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 164, 9.0% of the city total. Lozells and East Handsworth ward has the highest number of vulnerable children with 67 (table 3) and Oscott has the lowest number with 18.

In terms of vulnerable children Perry Barr district has a below city rates for vulnerable children who are under 5 years old. Perry Barr ward has the highest rate of vulnerable children under five per 1000 children, just above the city's rate. Oscott ward has the lowest rate, under half the city's rate.

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
Handsworth Wood	39	18.8
Lozells and East Handsworth	67	21.3
Oscott	18	10.1
Perry Barr	40	21.6
District	164	18.5
City	1817	21.0

Within Perry Barr district, there were 254 children under 5 who were in households that became priority homeless in 2016/17 financial year. This was 9.0% of the city's total and a rate below the city average (Table 4).

Lozells and East Handsworth ward saw the highest number with 112 children and Handsworth Wood ward the highest rate with 38.6 children becoming priority homeless per thousand children.

Oscott ward had the lowest number of children (25) and also the lowest rate (14.0) 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
Handsworth Wood	80	38.6
Lozells and East Handsworth	112	35.5
Oscott	25	14.0
Perry Barr	37	20.0
District	254	28.7
City	2811	32.5

### 3 Deprivation

Deprivation is below the city average in Perry Barr district, (Table 5). However, one ward has considerable higher rates of children under 5 in the 30% most deprived areas of England then the city.

Lozells and East Handsworth ward has the highest rate, with all children (3,152) under 5 within the 30% most deprived areas of England. Of these over 90% (2,885) are in the most deprived 10% area of England.

Oscott ward has the lowest rate of children under 5 in the deprivation in the district with only 39% (177) within the 30% most deprived areas of England, nearly half the city average.

**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
Handsworth Wood	826	396	116	732	65%	1338
Lozells and East Handsworth	2885	220	47	0	100%	3152
Oscott	127	273	291	1094	39%	691
Perry Barr	277	195	333	1047	43%	805
District	4115	1084	787	2873	68%	5986
City	43948	14100	8254	20299	77%	66302

The attached map also shows the deprivation of Perry Barr district in relation to the 6 children's centres currently operating.

## 4 Education

Perry Barr district has a lower rate of children aged 2 who are eligible for free early education taking up places than for the city as whole. The rate for Lozells and East Handsworth ward is the highest, while Handsworth Wood ward is the lowest.

In terms of children, Lozells and East Handsworth has the highest number of children who are eligible (404) and accessing the entitlement (261), across the district. Oscott ward has the lowest numbers of children eligible (155) and accessing (92) the entitlement (Table 6).

There are 388 children across the district that are eligible to access early education but are not taking up the placement. Lozells and East Handsworth ward has the largest number of children, with 143. Oscott ward has the lowest with 63.

**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
Handsworth Wood	110	205	54%	95
Lozells and East Handsworth	261	404	65%	143
Oscott	92	155	59%	63
Perry Barr	107	194	55%	87
District	570	958	59%	388
City	5717	9114	63%	3,397

The rate of children achieving good at Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) assessments in Perry Barr district is above the city average (Table 7), with a split between wards, two having a higher rate than the city and two below the city.

Oscott ward has the best rate above the city average, while Lozeels and East Handsworth ward has the worst rate below the city's average.

This leaves 579 children who have not achieved good at EYFS across the district, with Lozells and East Handsworth wards containing over 200 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
Handsworth Wood	370	60.5%	224	146
Lozells and East Handsworth	588	61.9%	364	224
Oscott	306	70.6%	216	90
Perry Barr	351	66.1%	232	119
District	1615	64.2%	1036	579
City	16534	63.7%	10532	6002

## 5 Health

Breast feeding rates for Perry Barr district are above the city's rate at both the initial and 6-8 week check-up (Table 8), with below city rate seen in only one ward in the district at both check-ups.

Oscott ward has the lowest rates for Breast Feeding initially (46%) and at the 6-8 week check-up (32%), both below the city rate.

Handsworth Wood ward has the highest rate for initial breast feeding with 77%, and at the 6-8 week check-up (62%), despite the 15% reduction in breast feeding.

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

Ward	Breast Feeding	
	Initially	6-8 weeks
Handsworth Wood	77%	62%
Lozells and East Handsworth	76%	60%
Oscott	46%	32%
Perry Barr	70%	49%
District	69%	56%
City	64%	52%

Low Birth Weights across the district are slightly above the city's rate. Lozells and East Handsworth ward is the only ward below the city average, while Oscott ward has the highest rate (Table 9).

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

Ward	Low Birth Weight
Handsworth Wood	9.8%
Lozells and East Handsworth	9.2%
Oscott	10.4%
Perry Barr	9.5%
District	9.7%
City	9.5%

Slightly more children within Perry Barr district have a normal weight at School reception age than the city, by 0.2% (Table 10), despite slightly higher rate of obesity across the district.

Lozells and East Handsworth and Handsworth Wood wards have higher rates of obese children at reception age, with Lozells and East Handsworth also having a rate for overweight children above the city rate. Both wards also have higher rates of children underweight then the city average.

Oscott and Perry Barr wards have above city rates of children with a normal weight at reception age.

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

Ward	Weight at Reception %			
	Under	Normal	Over	Obese
Handsworth Wood	1.8	74.9	10.5	12.8
Lozells and East Handsworth	1.9	73.8	11.7	12.6
Oscott	0.6	77.2	11.8	10.5
Perry Barr	1.2	76.1	12.2	10.4
District	1.5	75.2	11.5	11.8
City	1.5	75.0	12.1	11.4

## 6 Access to Children's Centres

Access to children's centres in Perry Barr 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 38% of children accessed a children's centre. This represents 3,366 children. However, 5,493 children in Perry Barr did not access a children's centre during that 12 month period – but 86% of 3 and 4 year olds in the district (2,045 children) were in EEE settings outside of children's centres. This still leaves 3,448 children under 5 years old or 38.9% 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 Perry Barr within 10% most deprived areas of England. However, this was 43% of these children – 1,788.

The rate at which children under 5 years old access children centres decreases as the level of deprivation reduces, with 30% of children access centres in area where deprivation is above the 30% most deprived areas of England.

**Table 11 – Access to Children's Centres in Perry Barr 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	4115	1084	787	2873	8859
Number under fives seen	1788	469	254	855	3366
% under fives seen	43%	43%	32%	30%	38%