Early Years Edgbaston District Performance Summary

1 Demographics

Edgbaston District has 6,845 children who are under 5 within it, 7.9% of the city total. This is unevenly spread across the wards (table 1) with Bartley Green containing the most. Edgbaston ward contains the least children under 5 in the district.

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

Ward	Children Under 5
Bartley Green	1,927
Edgbaston	1,376
Harborne	1,675
Quinton	1,867
District	6,845
City	86,601

In terms of ethnicity, Edgbaston district has majority of it's under 5s from non-BME groups, lower than the city as whole. However, there is a wide range within the wards in the district, with Edgbaston ward containing above city rates of BME under 5s (71%) and Bartley Green ward containing the lowest, with just over a third (35%) from BME groups.

Table 2 – Ethnicity (source 2011 census)

	Ethnicity						
Ward	Asian	Black	Mixed	White	Other	No. BME	% BME
Bartley Green	183	160	323	1288	26	692	35%
Edgbaston	418	154	199	345	74	845	71%
Harborne	317	104	150	654	32	603	48%
Quinton	261	224	300	921	63	848	48%
District	1179	642	972	3208	195	2988	48%
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 162, 8.9% of the city total. Bartley Green ward has the highest number of vulnerable children with 62 (table 3) and Harborne has the lowest number with 21.

In terms of vulnerable children Edgbaston district has above city rates for vulnerable children who are under 5 years old. This is due to the high rate within Bartley Green and Quinton wards of the district.

Harborne ward has a rate of vulnerable children under 5 significantly below 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)

	Vuln Children (Under 5)			
Ward	Count	rate per '000 children <5		
Bartley Green	62	32.2		
Edgbaston	27	19.6		
Harborne	21	12.5		
Quinton	52	27.9		
District	162	23.7		
City	1817	21.0		

Within Edgbaston district, there were 318 children under 5 who were in households that became priority homeless in 2016/17 financial year. This was 11.3% of the city's total and a rate above the city average (Table 4).

Quinton ward saw the highest number with 108 children, while Edgbaston ward had the highest rate of children becoming priority homeless per thousand children, with 62.5 nearly double the city's rate.

Harborne had the lowest number of children (38) and also the lowest rate (33.4) which was just above 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			
Bartley Green	68	35.3			
Edgbaston	86	62.5			
Harborne	56	33.4			
Quinton	108	57.8			
District	318	46.5			
City	2811	32.5			

3 Deprivation

Deprivation is below the city average in Edgbaston district, (Table 5) with three out of the four ward having lower rates of children under 5 in the 30% most deprived areas of England then the city.

Bartley Green is the only ward with a higher rate than the city, with 88% (1,702) of all children under 5 within the 30% most deprived areas of England. Of these just under half – 789 – are in the most deprived 10% area of England.

Quinton ward has the next largest number of children (1,127) within the 30% most deprived areas of England, with over half in the most deprived areas.

Harborne ward has the lowest rate of children under 5 in the deprivation in the district with only 39% (654) within the 30% most deprived areas of England, 38% below the city average.

Table 5 – Deprivation (Source IMD 2015)

		Deprivation					
	IMD 201	15 (overall) – Co	ount of Children	Under 5	١	Within 0-30%	
Ward	0 to 10%	10% to 20%	20% to 30%	30% plus	%	No. Children < 5	
Bartley Green	789	528	385	225	88%	1702	
Edgbaston	256	147	392	581	58%	795	
Harborne	115	102	437	1021	39%	654	
Quinton	667	205	255	740	60%	1127	
District	1827	982	1469	2567	62%	4278	
City	43948	14100	8254	20299	77%	66302	

The attached map also shows the deprivation of Northfield district in relation to the 8 children's centres currently operating.

4 Education

Edgbaston 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 Bartley Green ward is the highest, slightly above the city average, while Harborne ward is the lowest.

In terms of children, Bartley Green has the highest number of children who are eligible, 240 and accessing the entitlement, 158, across the district. Harborne ward has the lowest numbers of children eligible (70) and accessing (32) the entitlement (Table 6).

There are 251 children across the district that are eligible to access early education but are not taking up the placement. Quinton ward has the largest number of children, with 93, followed by Bartley Green with 82. Harborne has the lowest with 88.

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

	2 Yr old take up of EEE					
Ward	Access	Eligible	% Accessing	Not accessing		
Bartley Green	158	240	66%	82		
Edgbaston	56	94	60%	38		
Harborne	32	70	46%	38		
Quinton	108	201	54%	93		
District	354	605	59%	251		
City	5717	9114	63%	3,397		

The rate of children achieving good at Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) assessments in Edgbaston district is above the city average (Table 7), with all wards having a higher rate than the city. Harborne ward has the best rate with 69.7%, closely followed by Edgbaston ward with 69.7%.

This leaves 356 children who have not achieved good at EYFS across the district, with Bartley Green and Quinton wards containing over 100 children.

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

	Development at EYFS				
NA/a nel	Total	% achieving	No. Pupils	No. Pupils Not	
Ward	Pupils	Good	Achieving Good	Achieving Good	
Bartley Green	358	64.3%	230	128	
Edgbaston	188	69.7%	131	57	
Harborne	222	69.8%	155	67	
Quinton	333	68.8%	229	104	
District	1101	67.7%	745	356	
City	16534	63.7%	10532	6002	

5 Health

Breast feeding rates for Edgbaston district are just below the city's rate at both the initial and 6-8 week check-up (Table 8). However, there is wide variation within the wards.

Bartley Green has the lowest rates for Breast Feeding initially (43%) and also at the 6-8 week check-up (33%).

Edgbaston and Harborne wards both have above city rates for Breast feeding for both check-ups, with rates of 82% and 77% respectively at the initial check-up. Edgbaston ward sees a drop of 23% by the 6-8 week check-up, while Harborne's rate drops by only 8% to 69%.

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

	Breast Feeding			
Ward	Initially	6-8 weeks		
Bartley Green	43%	33%		
Edgbaston	82%	59%		
Harborne	77%	69%		
Quinton	59%	50%		
District	63%	51%		
City	64%	52%		

Low Birth Weights across the district are below the city's, with Edgbaston ward particularly low. Quinton is the only ward with above city average rate (Table 9).

Table 9 – Low Birth Weight Rates (SourceBCC 2015)

	Low Birth
Ward	Weight
Bartley Green	8.9%
Edgbaston	6.3%
Harborne	8.3%
Quinton	9.9%
District	8.4%
City	9.5%

Slightly fewer children within Edgbaston district have a normal weight at School reception age then the city, by 1.2% (Table 10), with higher rate in the Overweight and Obese category across the district. Across the district all wards have rates of underweight children below the city's.

Bartley Green ward is the worst performing ward in the district with only 70.9% of children at reception age having a normal weight. The ward has overweight (14.7%) and obesity (13.9%) rates above the city's.

Edgbaston and Quinton ward also has higher rates of obese children under 5 then the city's with 12.9% and 12.7% respectively. Quinton ward also has a higher than city rate for overweight children.

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

	Weight at Reception %						
Ward	Under	Normal	Over	Obese			
Bartley Green	0.6	70.9	14.7	13.9			
Edgbaston	0.9	76.1	10.2	12.9			
Harborne	0.3	76.3	12.6	10.8			
Quinton	0.6	74.4	12.3	12.7			
District	0.6	73.8	12.9	12.8			
City	1.5	75.0	12.1	11.4			

6 Access to Children's Centres

Access to children's centres in Edgbaston 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 33% of children accessed a children's centre. This represents 2,273 children. However, 4,572 children in Edgbaston did not access a children's centre during that 12 month period – but 87% of 3 and 4 year olds in the district (1,616 children) were in EEE settings outside of children's centres. This still leaves 2,956 children under 5 years old or 38.5% 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 Edgbaston within 10% to 20% most deprived areas of England. However, this was under half of children – 42%.

The rate at which children under 5 years old access children centres decreases as the level of deprivation reduces, with just over 24% 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 Edgbaston District (Source BCC, June16 to May17 inclusive)

Attended at Children's		Depri	vation			
Centres 1 June 16 to 31 May 17	0 to 10%	10% to 20%	20% to 30%	30% plus	Total	
Number under fives	1827	982	1469	2567	6845	
Number under fives seen	751	412	488	622	2273	
% under fives seen	41%	42%	33%	24%	33%	