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State of the Borough Assessment

2017

Foreword from Mayor Ros Jones

Welcome to Doncaster's State of the Borough Assessment which improves the ability of the Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership to focus on the improvements that will make the most difference to quality of life in Doncaster. This is the first time that Team Doncaster has produced an overall assessment of quality of life in this way to prompt discussion and debate.

Doncaster Growing Together (DGT) includes a set of concrete plans for now and big ideas for the future that are intended to bring out the best in all of us. To be successful, our collective efforts must be grounded in hard data and clear-sighted assessment of the substantial challenges we face and the opportunities that we must grasp.

The State of the Borough Assessment provides an overview quality of life in Doncaster now, how it is changing and how it compares to other similar places. It provides a solid platform upon which Team Doncaster can agree priorities, make the very best of available resources, and assess the difference we are making over time.

It is intended to stimulate debate and action from anyone that has a stake in the Doncaster's future.

A key feature of the Assessment is that it goes beyond presenting the data to providing case studies of the lived experiences of residents and businesses. It is therefore also an invitation – for everyone who cares about Doncaster's future, to add to our knowledge of the town and its residents. I reiterate the request in the DGT Prospectus 2017 for local filmmakers, storytellers, artists, photographers or anyone to create the story of Doncaster. This will enable the State of the Borough to improve year on year to becoming the flagship document of a growing, essential resource for everyone who want to understand and improve Doncaster as a place to live, learn, care and work.

We hope you find the State of Doncaster 2017 an interesting and informative document and can contribute to turning the knowledge and understanding within it into positive action.

Introduction

Doncaster's first annual State of the Borough Assessment (SOTB) provides an overall 'picture' of quality of life in the Borough across four themes:

- Doncaster Living
- Doncaster Working
- Doncaster Learning
- Doncaster Caring

The overall objective of the SOTB is to provide an evidence base for the Council and its Team Doncaster partners to develop effective, funded interventions to improve quality of life in the Borough.

A key cross-cutting theme which runs throughout this document is Team Doncaster's focus on inclusive growth – which means developing a strong and productive economy which benefits all residents. The indicators included in this document reflect that achieving inclusive growth requires both an economic and social perspective. For example, interventions to support residents to access job opportunities must also consider the interrelationship between work and health and the extent to which local transport arrangements make it easy and affordable for workers to travel to work.

Economic growth that improves living standards for only the few undermines current and future human potential, depresses local spending power, and reduces Doncaster's overall competitiveness and potential for growth.

Most of the indicators are presented at a 'whole borough/whole population' level, and therefore do not show the detail of variances across the Borough. The purpose of the SOTB is to not describe all things across the Borough in great detail – but to prompt discussion, and where necessary further research and analysis into Doncaster's key challenges and opportunities.

The real life case studies in this SOTB provide insights into the lived experiences of residents and communities.

The SOTB draws upon existing analysis in separate thematic assessments and reports, for example the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment. The key added value of the SOTB is bringing the key points from these assessments together in one document with an accompanying narrative.

The SOTB includes assessments of the gap between Doncaster and other areas, for example how many more residents need to be in work for Doncaster's employment rate to be the same as the Yorkshire and Humber average.

Improving quality of life in Doncaster requires the collective efforts of all Team Doncaster partners – across the public, private and voluntary and community sectors. Team Doncaster's quality of life interventions are being brought together in transformation Programmes within the Doncaster Growing Together four-year plan linked to clear governance arrangements. These Programmes will include additional measures of success which are relevant to the specific activities within them.

The first SOTB will be a learning process for Team Doncaster – we will improve it year on year to create an annual report that is the 'go to' document for an overview of quality of life in the Borough.

Where there are gaps in data or knowledge, we will work together to develop new insights, guided by Team Doncaster's new Engagement Strategy.

Population

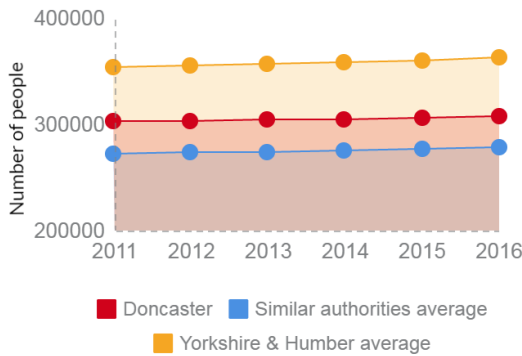
Understanding the population better

The indicators below provide an insight into the size and profile of Doncaster's population and how it is changing. This matters to Team Doncaster across all the policy themes in this Assessment as it plans ahead, for example to ensure it can meet the demand for healthcare, school places, housing and a workforce to enable local businesses to thrive. For the data below it can be seen that:

- Doncaster has a growing population, but projected growth is lower than comparators
- Doncaster has a broadly similar age profile to other areas, but it is under-represented in the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups.
- Doncaster has strong inward and outward commuter ties with places across Yorkshire and the Humber and Lincolnshire.
- Levels of deprivation vary significantly across the Borough and it has relatively low levels of social mobility

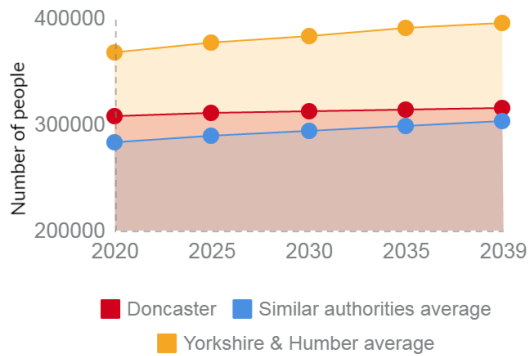
Overall population figures

According to the 2016 mid year population estimate the population of Doncaster is 306,397, this has risen 1.3% since 2011. Yorkshire & Humber and similar authorities have risen by 2.6% and 2.3% respectively. In 2016 the net inflow of international migrants into Doncaster was +1172, however there was a net outflow to the rest of the UK of -58.



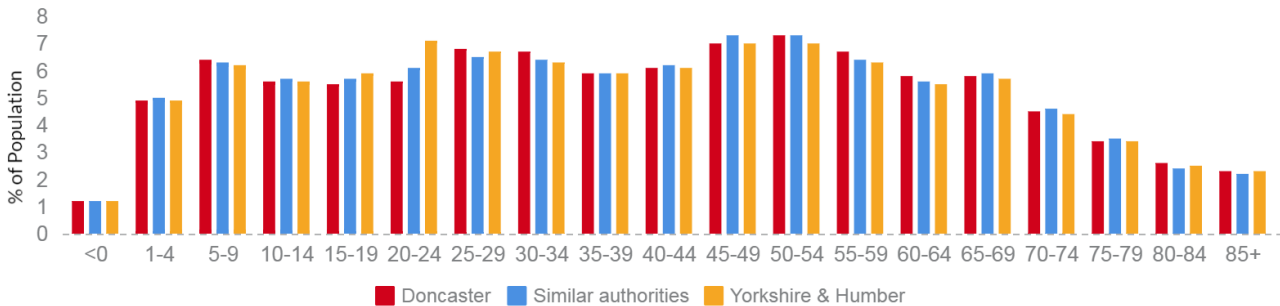
Population projections

Projections show that Doncaster's population is due to increase by 2.3% up to 2039 whereas Yorkshire & Humber and similar authorities have are due to increase by 7.1% and 6.9% respectively.



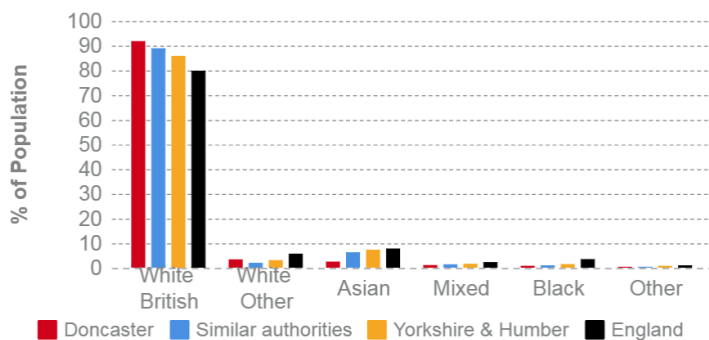
Age Proportion

Doncaster has a broadly similar age profile to other areas, but it is under-represented in the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups. This has implications for Doncaster's economic activity rates to support economic growth.



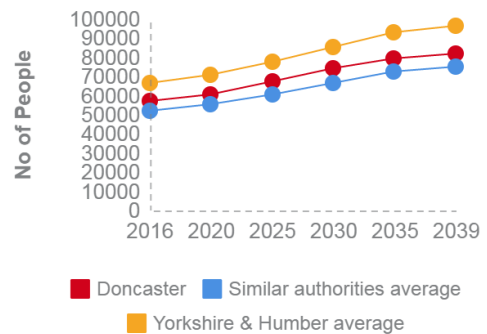
Ethnic group

Understanding the extent of ethnic diversity is important both for shaping policy and service delivery to best meet the needs of a diverse population. 91.8% of Doncaster residents are White British which is higher than comparators. The two largest groups after this are Other White (3.4%) and Asian (2.5%).



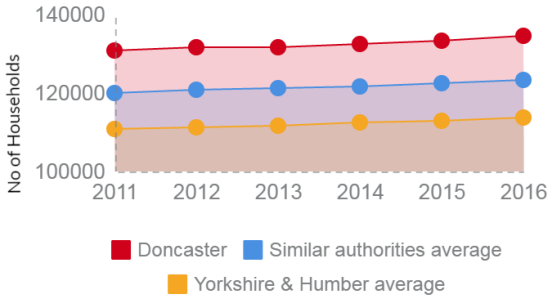
Older population

The number of people aged 65 and over within Doncaster is due to increase by about 24,500 (43%) from 2016 to 2039. Similar authorities and Yorkshire & Humber are both expected to see a 46% rise over the same period. This has implications for a wide range of local services, particularly health and social care services.



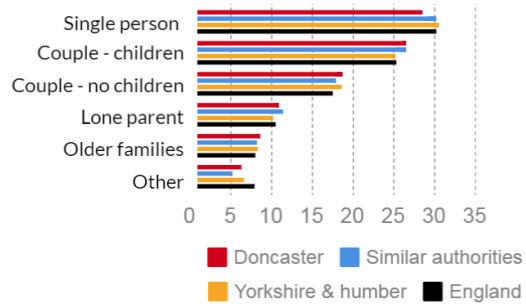
Number of households

Doncaster's number of households have been growing steadily since 2004. In 2016 there are estimated to be 134,200 households, an increase of 10% since 2004. Looking ahead, the projected increases in Doncaster's population feed through to a projection of c. 540 additional households per year up to 2032.



Household composition

Over a quarter of residents in Doncaster are in single-person households which suggests a need for more smaller housing units and/or more shared housing options. Doncaster's aging population (see separate chart) means that there will be a greater need for housing which meets the needs of older residents.



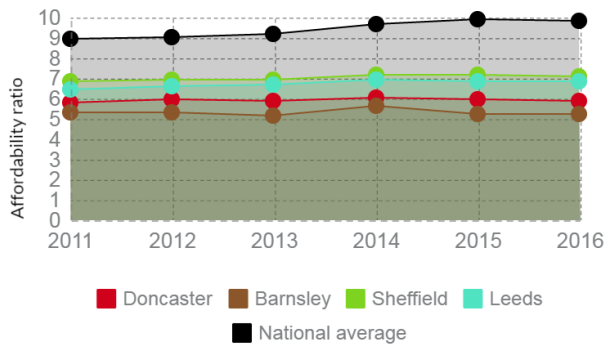
Personal Well-being

Doncaster has the highest happiness rating (7.45 from a scale 0-10) and the lowest anxiety rating (2.76) within South Yorkshire.



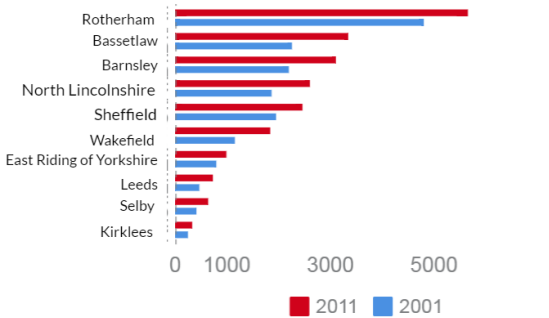
Housing Affordability ratio

Housing affordability (which combines house prices and wages into a ratio where 10 is the least affordable), is relatively less of an issue for Doncaster. However there are variations across the Borough.



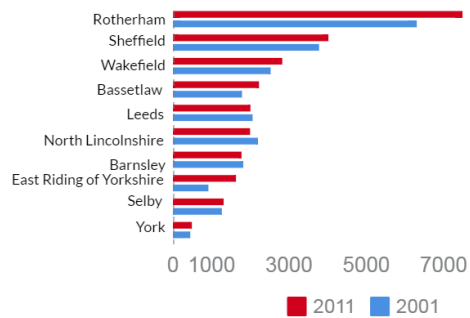
Commuter Inflow

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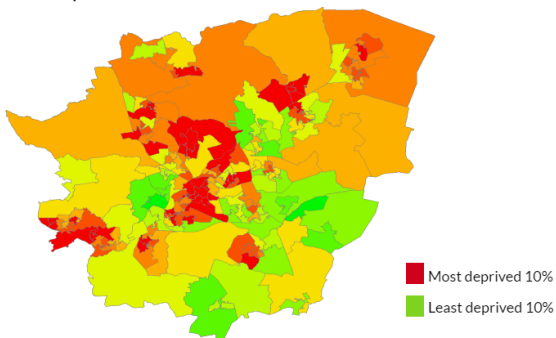
Doncaster has strong outward commuter ties with places across Yorkshire and the Humber and Lincolnshire and most of these ties have strengthened since 2001.



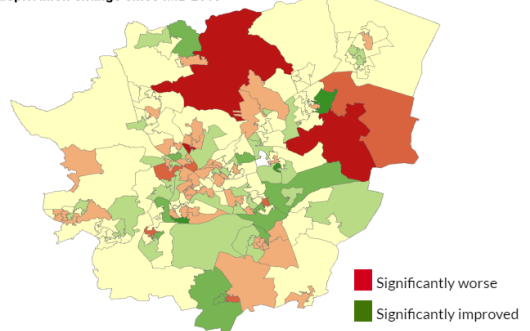
Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2015 (IMD)

The Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) are produced every 3-5 years and provide the framework for deprivation assessment at Local Authority and Lower Super Output area level. The IMD 2015 data mostly relate to the financial year 2012/13. Doncaster is split into 194 neighbourhoods of similar population sizes and are ranked and scored across seven domains (housing, income, environment, crime, education and skills, employment and health) to allow comparison. The map on the left below shows the variation in levels of deprivation from the most recent dataset of 2015. The map on the right shows the change in levels of deprivation since the previous IMD in 2010. Doncaster has relatively low levels of social mobility, ranking 301 out of 324 Local Authorities - based on a basket of indicators covering for example early years development, educational achievement and wage rates.

Overall deprivation 2015



Overall deprivation change since IMD 2010



Doncaster Working

Residents benefit from a thriving and resilient economy

Team Doncaster's ambition is for an even stronger and more productive economy with more thriving businesses and increases in both the number and quality of jobs available to residents. From the indicators below it can be seen that:

- Doncaster has made good progress in increasing the number of local businesses and jobs – but more are still required to match the density rates of Yorkshire and Humber and England.
- Doncaster employment rate has recently hit an 11 year high – a positive indicator of inclusive growth. However, wage rates have only increased marginally over the past 8 years, in part reflecting the low proportion of residents employed in highly skilled, higher paid professions.
- Increasing the quality of jobs available remains a key challenge, which includes increasing the proportion of knowledge intensive/high-tec jobs in our economy.
- Productivity per employee is significantly lower regional and national comparators, which is important because over time sustained increases in productivity are necessary to support rising wages and incomes.

The case studies that follow the indicators provide an insight into the support for local enterprise and work to connect local people to new job opportunities.

Objectives

The number of businesses in Doncaster increase and more of them export

More people are in sustained work

More jobs are created in the local economy

More people in Doncaster are completing good quality apprenticeships

Fewer people are claiming out of work benefits

More people are employed in good quality jobs

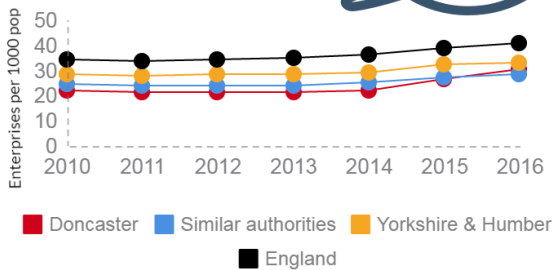
Wages increase for Doncaster residents

Doncaster's economy is more productive

Total Doncaster enterprises per 1,000 population

In 2016, there were 9,195 business enterprises, which equates to 30.2 per 1000 population. This is higher than the average of 28.1 for Doncaster's similar authorities (which equates to 1,444 more businesses in Doncaster). However to match the national average of 40.4, Doncaster would need an additional 3,121 businesses.

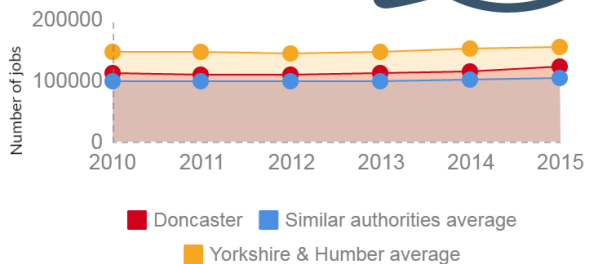
Doncaster is in the UK top 10 for its business start-up rate
(Source: Centre for Cities)



Number of jobs in Doncaster

There are 120,291 employee jobs in Doncaster as at 2015 and Doncaster has seen a higher growth rate than the average for similar authorities since 2014. However Doncaster has relatively fewer jobs for the size of its working age population - its 'jobs density' is 0.72 compared to 0.79 for Y&H and 0.84 for England. To match the Y&H average Doncaster would require 12,100 more jobs.

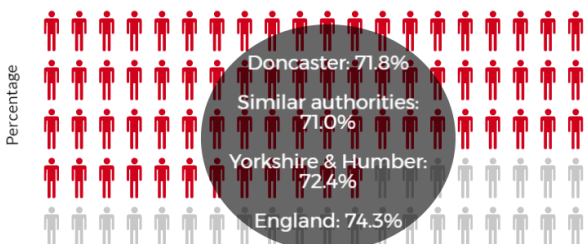
Doncaster is in the UK top 10 for growth in private sector jobs
(Source: Centre for Cities)



% of working age population employed

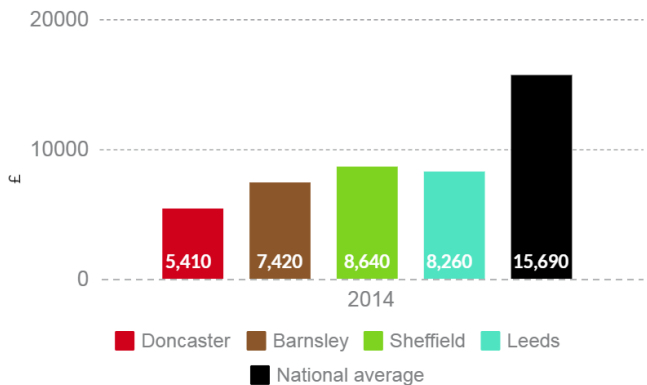
Doncaster's employment rate has been increasing since 2012 and now stands at 71.8% which is better than its similar authorities (71.0%). To match the national figure of 74.3%, there would need to be another 4,784 people in employment.

Over the past year the employment rate has hit an 11 year high
(Source: ONS)



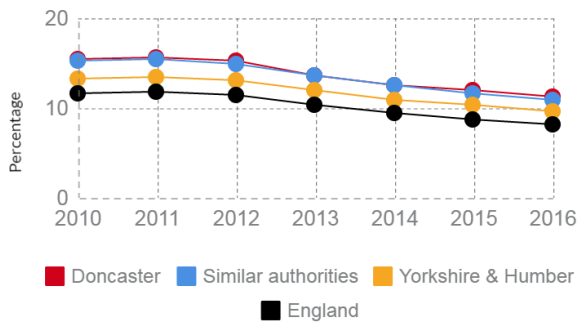
Exports per job (£)

Exports per job for Doncaster are lower than other comparator cities and much lower than the national average. National analysis suggests that firms that export are more likely to experience revenue growth and add employees than firms that don't. However, foreign trade isn't viable for all firms, as entering and sustaining relationships in international markets can require a great deal of capital and specialized skills.



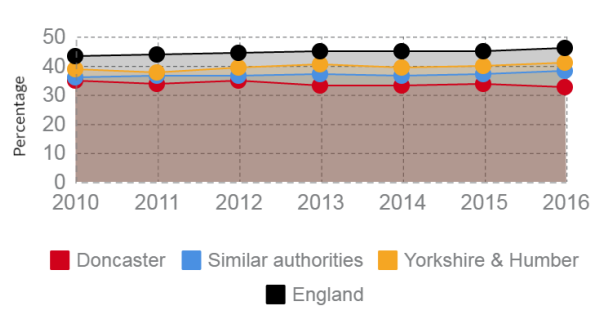
% of working age population claiming out of work benefits

The number of people claiming out of work benefits in Doncaster has reduced from 11.6% in 2010 to 11.1% in 2016 (this equates to 21,100 claimants). This trend is in line with our benchmark comparators.



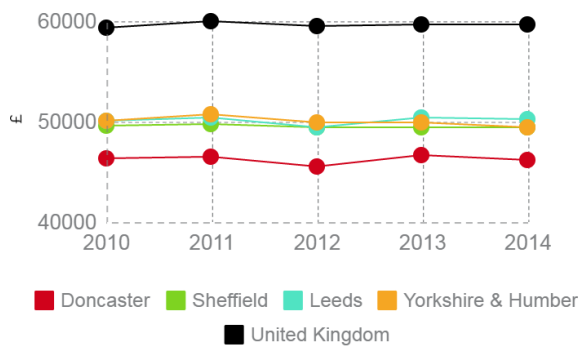
% of people employed in Directors and Managerial/Professional and Technical occupations

The number of people employed in highly skilled jobs is 45,200 (32.4% of all jobs) as at 2016. This is 13.4% below the national figure, 8.1% below the regional figure and 5.3% below similar authorities.



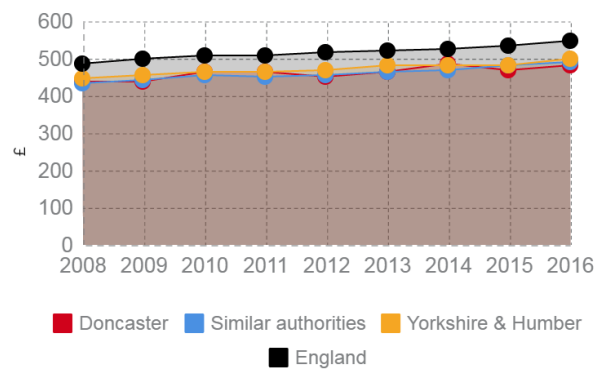
GVA per worker

The average economic output of each Doncaster employee is approximately £46,120. This 'Gross Value Added' measure of productivity is broadly unchanged over the past five years. This mirrors the regional and national picture, however, productivity in Doncaster is lower than Y&H and considerably lower than the UK (by £13,500). This matters because sustained increases in productivity are necessary to support rising wages and incomes.



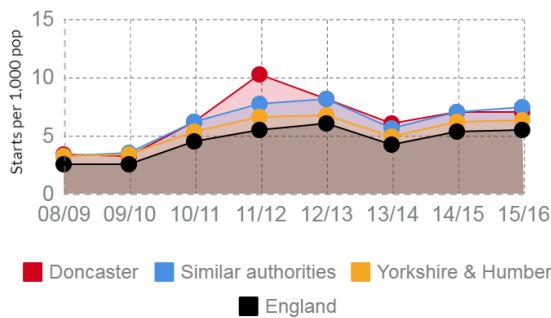
Median wage rate for Doncaster residents (£/week)

Doncaster has increased its weekly wage rate by £12.10 from 2015 to 2016 whilst comparators have only increased by £9.10. However Doncaster wages are £65.60 lower than the national average and the figures do not take account of inflation. More analysis is needed of wage levels in Doncaster, including the number of residents receiving in work benefits.



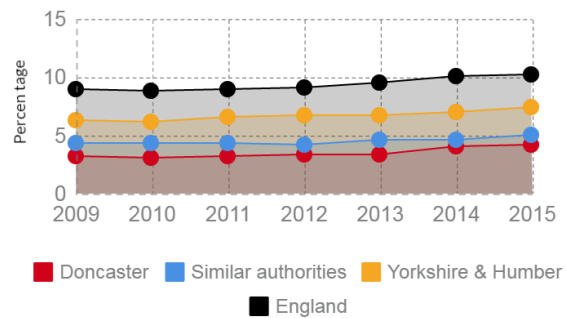
The number of Advanced Apprenticeship starts

The number of people starting advanced apprenticeships now stands at 1330 as at 2015/16. This is the equivalent of 7.0 per 1,000 working age population. This is slightly lower than the similar authorities figure of 7.4 but higher than the regional and national figures of 6.3 and 5.4 per 1,000 respectively.



% jobs in Knowledge Intensive Services or High-tech Manufacturing Industries

The proportion of knowledge intensive jobs is on an upward trend, but Doncaster is ranked 57 out of 63 UK cities. Sheffield is ranked 39th. Leeds is ranked 5th. Nationally, there is a strong correlation between the presence of knowledge jobs and levels of prosperity in the local population.



Working Theme - Case Studies

Launchpad Scheme Supporting New Businesses - Alistair Nightingale

A Balby-based entrepreneur is hoping to navigate his way to a new career running a new transport business after securing support from Launchpad, a unique initiative which offers support and advice to individuals who are thinking of starting their own business in Doncaster and neighbouring local authority areas.

Alistair Nightingale first began exploring self-employment three years ago after being forced to look for alternative employment when the haulage company he worked for closed its UK operations. He decided to try his hand at contract work and began securing short term contracts working for a number of driving agencies.

"Although I've worked in the industry since leaving the army ten years ago, I never really considered running my own business, but the support I've received from Launchpad has helped to give me confidence in my idea and although it's still relatively early days for me, I'm already looking for new drivers to join the business."

Alistair Nightingale, founder ANDS Ltd

Having never run a company before, Alistair decided to contact Launchpad to take advantage of the free advice available. Working with a business advisor, Alistair attended a number of events hosted by Doncaster Chamber of Commerce where he was able to access help to produce a business plan, allowing him to secure finance to purchase his first vehicle.

Alistair soon found his services to be in high demand, after securing an exclusive contract with a national courier delivery service covering the Doncaster area, he has been able to add a second, larger vehicle to his fleet. Alistair is already hoping to recruit new drivers and is setting his sights on opening a new depot to help grow the business further.

Derek Lewis - Extending its Supply Chain

Derek Lewis, specialists in Road Surfacing and Civil Engineering have been in Doncaster for more than four decades. Founded in 1973 under the name 'Derek Lewis Plant Hire', they quickly established themselves as a regular supplier of operated plant, however to keep up with changing demands they now offer the full construction package including supply and laying of bituminous materials.

The business rebranded in 2009 to become Derek Lewis Ltd and invested hugely in the latest technology and recruiting the best available talent with a stronger emphasis on Civil Engineering but still maintain their reputation in surfacing works.

Business Doncaster host regular 'Meet the Buyer' events whenever there is a large development up for grabs, which in turn provides local businesses the opportunity to gain a better understanding of public sector procurement and further knowledge of proposed projects in the region.

Attending these 'Meet the Buyer' events has meant Derek Lewis Ltd have been able to place themselves in front of major contractors and other buyers looking to award significant contracts to local businesses.

Raising their profile and gaining acceptance on to approved supply chain lists with local councils has enabled them to work with large contractors on the following projects:

- Doncaster iPort
- High Speed Rail Maintenance Depot
- HS2 Rail College
- Defence Estates
- Hull City of Culture
- Ikea Sheffield

"There is continued demand for the 'Meet the Buyer' events, particularly from local and small businesses. They allow local businesses to establish valuable connections within the region and better position their business to win future government contracts. We want to ensure these events drive local employment creation and are a great initiative for any business to make relevant connections with contractors."

Ian Guy, Business Engagement Officer for Business Doncaster

Connecting residents to jobs - iPort Academy

Logistics is a key growth sector for Doncaster and the new £500m iPort at Rossington is the UK's biggest intermodal development. The site covers 337 acres and is being developed by Verdion.

iPort presents a great opportunity for local residents to benefit from a significant number of new jobs opportunities. Given Team Doncaster's priority of achieving inclusive growth, an iPort Academy has been established in Rossington to provide Doncaster with any additional support required to enable them to successfully compete for the new jobs. It is a hub for all iPort investors to co-ordinate their recruitment, skills and training requirements.

Doncaster resident, Mark originally called the iPort Academy for more information about the upcoming developments at the iPort site. He then requested a 1-1 meeting to have his CV assessed and updated where necessary. Upon the announcement of the recruitment for the new Amazon Fulfilment Centre at the iPort, Mark replied to the announcement e-mail sent out by the Academy and began the recruitment process.

"Great service! I have been down and had a chat and received some quality feedback and help."

Mark attended an appointment to go through the online application and discuss the values Amazon look for in an employee. Not too long after Mark received a notification e-mail stating he had been successful and was invited to the next stage of the process, an assessment day at the Keepmoat Stadium. The assessment day went very well for Mark and he was offered a job, which he has started.

Doncaster Learning

Residents have the knowledge and skills for life, creativity and employment

Team Doncaster's vision is for learning that prepares all children, young people and adults for a life that is fulfilling - by studying and exploring the things they are passionate about, in school and beyond, and doing work that is both enjoyable and productive. A key challenge is to support residents of all ages to develop the knowledge and skills needed by local employers, now and in the future as the world of work continues to change due to advances in technology and continued globalisation. This requires a blend of both academic and vocational skills. From the indicators below it can be seen that:

- More Doncaster 5 year olds are experiencing a good level of development as a foundation for fulfilling life, however further progress is needed with GCSE attainment to close the gap with comparators and persistent absence in secondary schools is relatively high.
- Level 3 qualifications for 19 years olds has recently fallen and the proportion of the working age population with a level 3 or above is lower than regional and national comparators.

The case studies provide an insight into community based learning in Doncaster and the work to raise the aspirations of young people and employability skills. their employability skills.

Objectives

More young people achieve a level 3 qualification by the age of 19

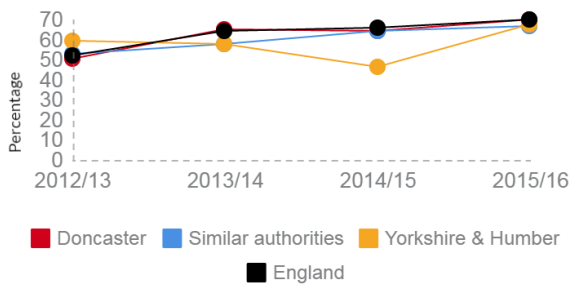
More young people are ready for school

More people are learning throughout their lives and have the skills to access work

More young people do well in their GCSEs

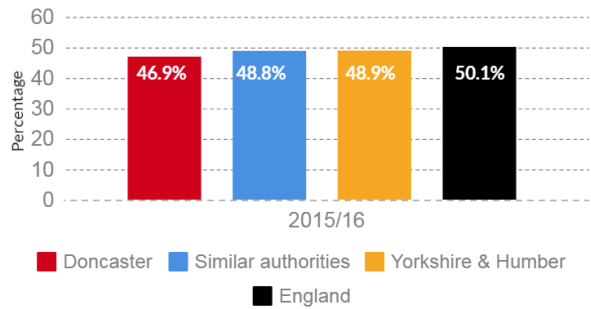
% of 5 year olds with good level development

The number of 5 year olds with good level of development has improved from 50.3% in 2013 to 69.7% in 2016 which is an increase of 1,087. The total is now 2710 which is higher than the average for similar authorities (by 381).



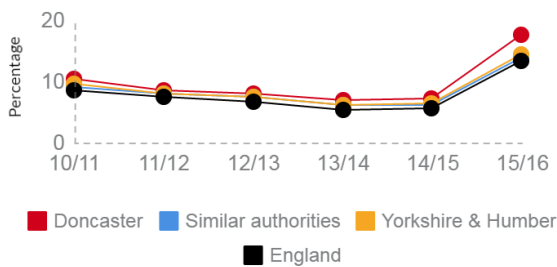
Attainment 8 Score (GCSE Attainment)

Doncaster's Attainment 8 score is less than comparators and the national average. This marks the baseline year of a new accountability system for schools.



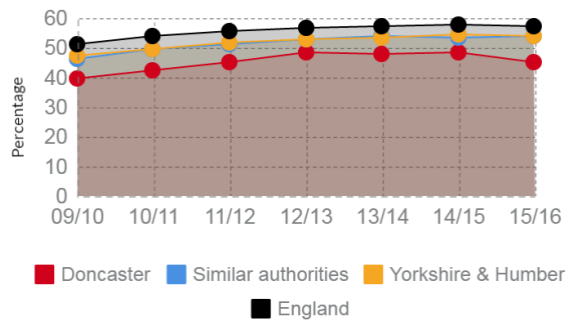
Persistent absence in Secondary Schools (% Full Year)

The threshold for persistent absence has been altered from around 15% or more of sessions missed down to 10% for the 2015/16 academic year. So this has resulted in a sharp upturn in the rate upto 17.5%. This trend is reflected across all comparator areas including regional and national benchmark figures, however Doncaster still has a higher figure.



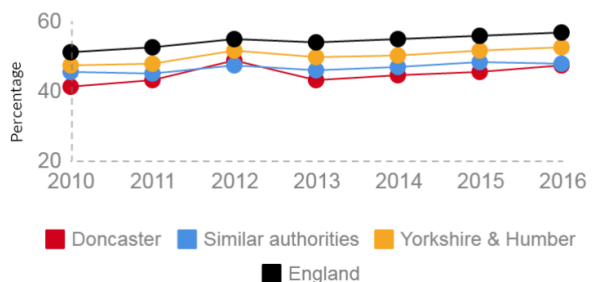
% of 19 years old that achieve a level 3 qualification

The number of 19 year olds that have achieved a level 3 qualification in Doncaster has reduced from 48.0% in 2012/13 to 44.9% in 2015/16.



% of people who are qualified to level 3 or above (16-64)

The number of people who are qualified to level 3 or above in Doncaster has improved from 43.0% (81,900 people) in 2013 up to 47.2% in 2016 (88,000 people). However, to match the Y&H average, Doncaster would require 9640 more residents qualified to Level 3 or above.



Learning Theme – Case Studies

Expect Youth– Raising Young People’s Aspirations

The Doncaster Youth Alliance, now known as Expect Youth is bringing together many existing organisations provide an exciting new co-ordinated approach to improving the Youth offer across the Borough, making Doncaster a safer and better place to live.

The partner organisations that are already involved include: Club Doncaster Foundation, DCLT, Flying Futures, Active Fusion, DMBC, DARTS, Doncaster Children’s Services Trust - EPIC programme and Doncaster Chamber. Their mission as a team, is to work together to make sustainable improvements to the aspiration, achievement and life skills of young people across Doncaster by making a positive impact upon their lives. Included alongside this, there is a new commitment to ensure high quality youth centred provision for the Borough, by acting as a capacity building and innovation body for people and organisations to create positive activities and personal development opportunities for young people.

Charlotte, a student with Club Doncaster Foundation is amazed at how her ambitions are finally being realised, after tough times at A level, she now finds herself looking forward to going to Hull University:

“All the positive influences around me pushed me to want to achieve more”

www.expectyouth.co.uk

Accessing learning within communities

The Adult Family & Community Learning service engages with a wide range of Doncaster residents who benefit from accessing learning within their community. Employment is a priority for most of our learners, but many are the furthest away from this end goal. There are many barriers which have prevented them progressing. For example, not having functional skills in maths and English. Basic English and Mathematics qualifications are increasingly sighted as a reason for unemployment. Furthermore, the confidence gained by achieving a recognised qualification enables learners to aspire to better things.

“I’m where I am now because of Adult learning. Getting my English qualification made me believe in myself. I started volunteering and now I’ve got a job.”

Doncaster resident

Typically our learners are unable to attend the local college, for example due to limited transport options. Through partnership work with the Family Hubs and local schools we bring the learning to them. Increasingly our learners are from a diverse range of backgrounds. Adult learning provides an inclusive space for everyone.

Community-led learning - Austerfield Study Centre

The hard work of the Council’s Central Area Team has made it possible for the total transfer of the running of the DMBC Service: an educational study centre at Austerfield to a local community group, who have formed a “not for profit” company limited by guarantee – “Austerfield Study Centre limited”.

The volunteers each have a bespoke and specific role, for example finance officer, animal husbandry, teaching, caretaker etc.

This project is a first for the Council as it represents a total service transfer to a community/volunteer led group with no ongoing financial cost to the council, but maintaining a valuable community resource and educational study centre used by schools across the Borough, along with a host of camping initiatives attended by scouts, cub groups and schools.

Without the support of volunteers, the Council would otherwise have had to close this local facility that provided a borough wide service, due to budget reductions. So this is a “win win” situation with a local community facility secured for at least the next 10 years and with no on-going financial cost to the Council.

The volunteers have actively built and renovated the site, constructing new play areas, painting existing buildings to make the site more family friendly and welcoming as well as building a bird viewing hide on the reserve.

The group has been successful in gaining £50,000 worth of WREN funding and other external funding for a new “eco dormitory” block on site with support from the Area Team. The group have also set their sights on the provision of another new classroom in the grounds and new “log cabin” style accommodation, along with provision of new camping facilities on the nature reserve land jointly managed with the Mosaic trust.

Enhancing Future Work Prospects - Doncaster Skills Academy

The Doncaster Skills Academy is a bespoke package of support available to Doncaster schools via Doncaster Chamber and their partners, which aims to complement their existing provision, to further enhance the future work prospects of local students. Its creation stems from the passion of local business people to ensure that Doncaster’s students are supported in developing the right skills and competences needed for their future careers.

The Academy consists of a variety of modules covering four key areas of activity: Awareness and Aspirations; Employability and Work Readiness; Enterprise and Commerciality and Financial Awareness. Support from local businesses is provided through a variety of means such as mentoring, business visits and internships, as well as providing young people with up to date information on the skill needs of local businesses and the variety of career opportunities available to them within the area.

For example, the Skills Academy recently held a Careers Fair at Mexborough Academy in support of a Year 6 Transition Day. Pupils from the primary schools across the catchment area took part in interactive activities with local businesses and started to gain an early understanding of the modern world of work. These included construction challenges, team buildings games, lifesaving skills and virtual reality experiences. Events such as these are a key tool to help guide our younger generation in their future employment decisions. Keepmoat Regeneration, ERT Training and A2UKR were just some of the businesses in attendance.

Further to this event, and as part of the Careers and Enterprise Companies’ Enterprise Advisor Programme, Doncaster Chamber representatives met with parents at Mexborough Academy to discuss what support could be offered in terms of supporting their son/daughter in their future education and Career choices. This information and guidance session was really well received and parents.

“The Doncaster Skills Academy is a superb way of developing young people’s enthusiasm about the opportunities within the area and developing the “work ready” skills which are attractive to local employers”

Tony Sykes, Business Development Director, INATIV

Doncaster Living

Doncaster is a modern, thriving and safe place to live, work and visit

Team Doncaster's vision is for Doncaster's people to live in a borough that is vibrant and full of opportunity, where people enjoy spending time. From the indicators below it can be seen that:

- Good progress has been made in increasing the houses available in the Borough, but reducing the number of homeless people in priority need remains a challenge.
- Life expectancy for both males and females is increasing but remains relatively low.
- Children in workless households has reduced significantly, but remains a challenge as does the proportions of children living in low income households.
- CO2 emissions are falling, but Doncaster still contributes more than the England average.

The case studies provide an insight into community based activity to improve Doncaster as a place to live.

Objectives

There are more homes built and fewer people are homeless or in unsuitable accommodation

More people are physically active

More people feel safe in their community

Healthy life expectancy in Doncaster improves

People's quality of life is good

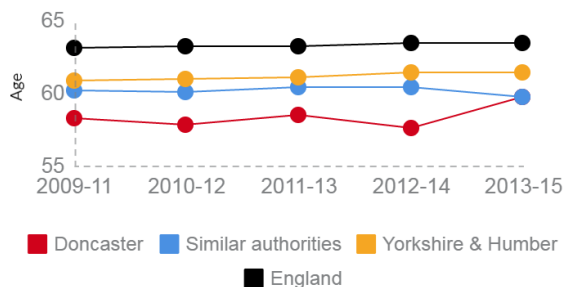
Doncaster's population grows

Our natural environment is enhanced and protected

Fewer children in poverty

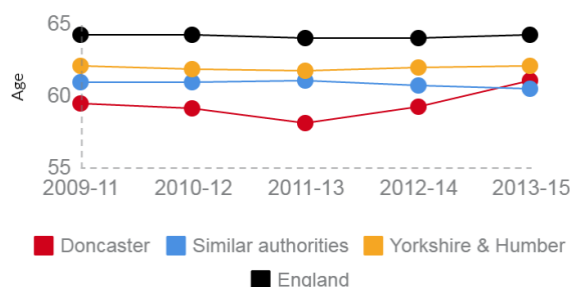
Healthy Life Expectancy at birth (males)

Healthy life expectancy rates have improved for the 2013-15 period. This trend is forecast to continue and male life expectancy is expected to surpass the national average by the 2024-26 period.



Healthy Life Expectancy at birth (females)

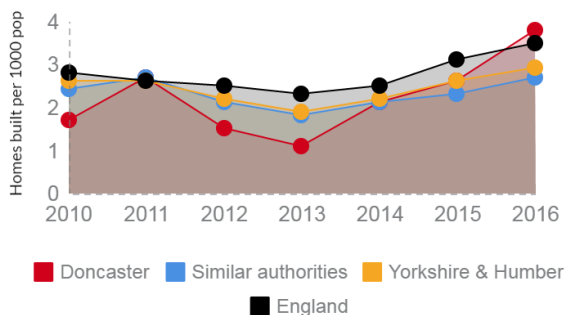
Healthy life expectancy rates have improved for the 2013-15 period. This trend is forecast to continue and by the 2019-21 period female life expectancy is expected to surpass the national average.



The number of Net Additional Homes built per 1,000 population

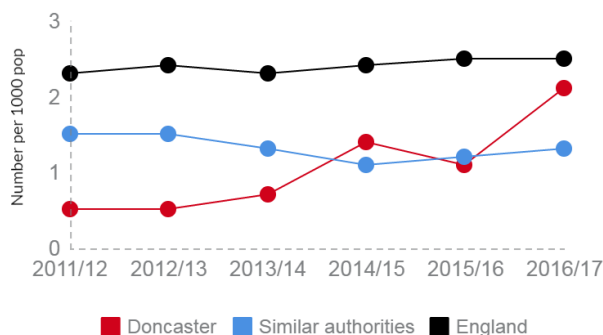
The number of net additional homes built in Doncaster in 2016 was 1160 which is 3.8 per 1,000 population. This has greatly increased since 2013 and is now higher than the national rate (3.5 per 1,000 population).

Highest number of homes built in Doncaster in last 15 years



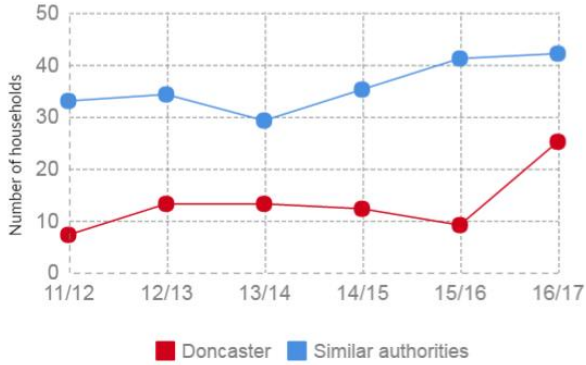
Numbers accepted as being homeless and in priority need (Total per 1,000 population)

During 2016/17 the Doncaster average was greater than similar authorities. There were 276 people (2.1 per 1,000 people) accepted as being homeless. However this is less than the national rate by the equivalent of 54 people.



Number of households/people in temporary accommodation

During 2016/17 in Doncaster there were 25 households in temporary accommodation (0.2 households per 1000). This is much lower than similar authorities figure of 42 (0.4 per 1,000).

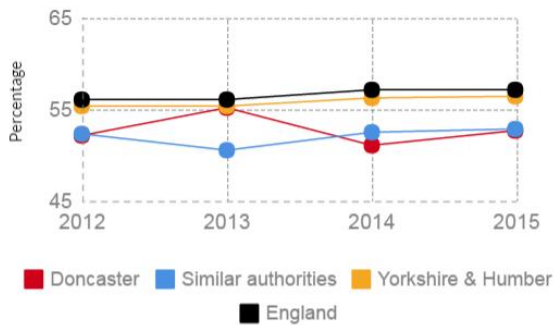


Number of Home Office Crimes per 1000 population

Possible indicator to be added

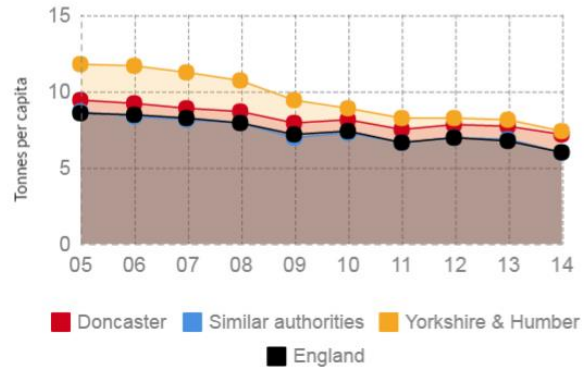
% of population that achieve 150 minutes Physical Activity per week

In 2016, 52.6% achieved 150 minutes of physical activity per week. This has fluctuated over the past few years but is an improvement from 50.9% in 2014. This is marginally lower than similar authorities to Doncaster which average at 52.8%, however it is much lower than the England average of 57%.



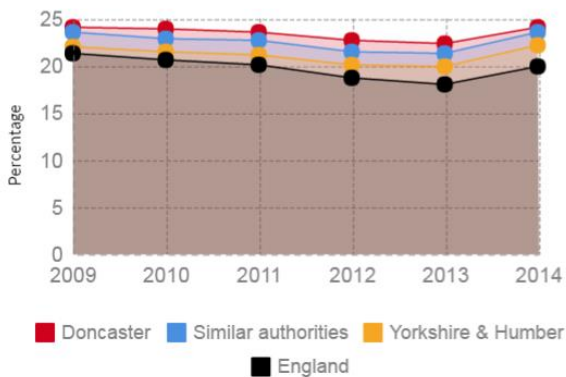
Co2 emissions per capita (tonnes)

Doncaster has reduced from 9.4 tonnes per capita in 2005 down to 7.1 tonnes per capita in 2014. This is in line with similar authorities and the national trend. Actions to achieve inclusive economic growth aspirations need to also consider the impact on the local and global environment. For example the potential impact of economic growth on the number of cars and lorries using Doncaster's roads, and therefore CO2 emissions.



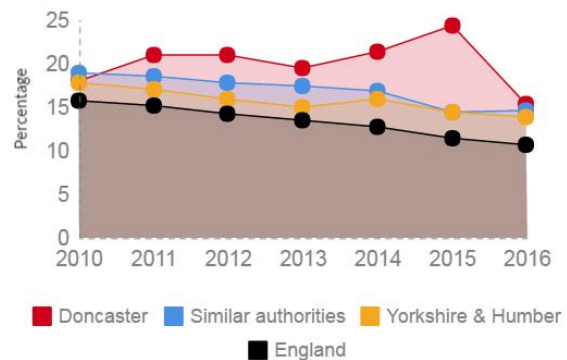
Child poverty

The proportion of children in low-income families has increased to 24.1% in Doncaster (this affects 16,035 children). However comparator benchmarks have also seen an increase.



Children living in workless households

Within Doncaster the number of children living in workless households has significantly reduced to 15.4% in 2016 (which equates to 9,800 children). Doncaster is now in line with both comparator authorities and Yorkshire & Humber. However, Doncaster like many other parts of the UK is experiencing a squeeze of real incomes - as indicated by the Wage Rate indicator in the Working section.



Living Theme - Case Studies

Supporting communities to do more for themselves

The Communities Service - area team model, is structured into geographic areas and undertakes a variety of functions including: developing stronger, resilient and more cohesive communities; tackling crime, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour; supporting vulnerable victims; helping people to be active both physically and socially; developing community groups and networks; creating a cleaner and better environment; community engagement; community consultation; area based planning; supporting independence and improving health and well-being; and Stronger Families.

The service focuses on supporting communities to do much more for themselves and provides a function that is very much about early help and prevention across all our work streams, to help prevent issues from escalating, such as anti-social behaviour, requiring costly service interventions.

Central to this is an approach that builds on the assets, strengths and opportunities within communities and a more enabling and facilitating role, bringing services and communities together to understand needs and working together to find solutions to meet these needs.

There is a need to work more with communities/groups/residents to change the culture from a 'doing' to 'supporting and influencing' role. There is an emphasis on better preparing communities where capacity doesn't exist and providing support where it does. This will lead to improved confidence in neighbourhoods and enable innovative community based solutions to delivering important services and improving well-being.

Friends of Sandall Park (FOSP)

The group was formed by the Communities Team and a small group of volunteers (4 residents initially) following numerous complaints of differing forms criminality and Anti-Social Behaviour in the park. These proactive residents recognised that things needed to change through agencies and the community working together. The group quickly put in place policies, procedures and a constitution that set out what they wanted to achieve and then the journey began.

Friends of Sandall Park are a group of like-minded people dedicated to the improvement of the park for the benefit of its human visitors, birds and resident wildlife...Sandall Park is an important and unique resource for the people of Doncaster...Enjoy the facilities and please consider becoming a 'Friend'.

From the FOSP mission statement

Over 50 people are now part of FOSP and to date the group have raised well over £500,000 in external funding all of which has been ploughed back into this public facility. Projects funded include: the crime reducing Golf Course Project; Lake Edging Project; Woodland Adventure Project; adventure play area; and outdoor classroom and gym.

FOSP undertake essential maintenance to sustain and enhance the park. This includes: cleaning moss off the picnic tables; painting fencing, signage posts and park benches; litter picking; and planting and covering up reeds around the lake edging. The park which has now become a borough wide attraction. Many Doncaster clubs use the site including the angling club, junior football, Park Run scheme and cycling scheme. Many partnerships have been formed, for example with Rascal's Castles which operate from the park with a percentage of all profits going back into the group.

Volunteering is at the heart of everything FOSP do. If the group were paid employees and received the minimum wage of £7.20, there would be an annual wage bill of over £47,000. The group are now self-sustaining and need minimal assistance other than with new projects. FOSP have received numerous awards, including from Doncaster in Bloom and the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

Hexthorpe Community Group - Families Outdoor Camping Initiative

Over the last year the Communities Area Team have supported local volunteers to develop a new initiative designed to give more disadvantaged families and young people at the cusp of anti-social behaviour (ASB) the chance to spend quality, productive and fun family time in an outdoor setting.

The group are in their infancy but are already a social enterprise which has gained a small pot of external funding, enabling them to help families that have been referred to them via the Stronger Families early intervention and prevention work tackling ASB and criminal damage.

The families have experienced a short camping excursion with activities such as orienteering, learning survival skills and learning about healthy eating. These families have experienced problems due to lack of quality time together from pressures of daily life, low level behavioural problems resulting in nuisance and ASB in the community, poor aspirations and lack of school engagement. Families are encouraged to work together as a family unit, problem solve, undertake basic household type routines, recognise the need to discuss issues, eat well and nurture positive behaviour.

The group are now looking at ways in which they can expand on the project with the support of the Communities Area Team. This includes providing work experience or volunteering opportunities for adults on the Stronger Families programme as a pathway to paid employment.

There is no profit generated from this project and the group are all volunteers and are actively looking for more volunteers to ensure sustainability.

<http://www.familiesoutdoors.co.uk>

Doncaster Caring

Residents live safe, healthy, active and independent lives

Team Doncaster's vision is for a borough that cares together for its most vulnerable, building upon people's existing support networks and the resources that are available in communities. From the indicators below it can be seen that:

- Delayed transfers of care from hospital are relatively low and reducing.
- The number of children in need has reduced significantly, bringing the Doncaster rate in line with comparators.
- The rate of permanent admissions to residential care has reduced and the number still at home 91 days following a period of reablement has increased, reflecting positive progress in enabling residents to live independently in their own homes.
- Avoidable deaths have fallen, but emergency admissions to hospital remain higher than comparators.

The case studies provide an insight into the work to support vulnerable adults and families to have a better quality of life.

Objectives

Fewer people are delayed from leaving hospital attributable to the NHS and Social Care services

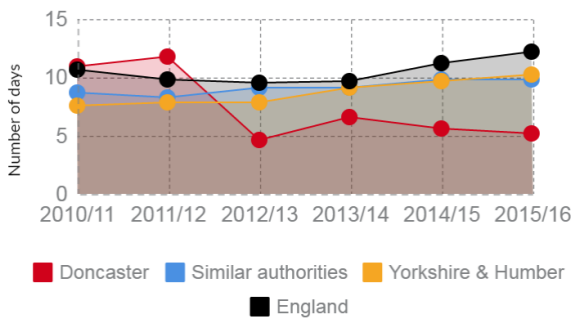
Fewer people require health and social care services and vulnerable people are safe

More people remain healthy and independent for longer with fewer people that are socially isolated

The number of avoidable deaths will reduce

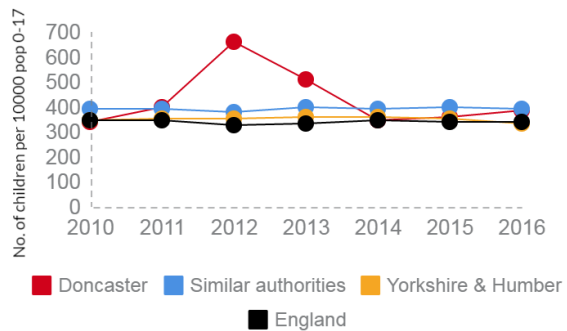
Average number of delayed transfers of care from hospital on a particular day taken over the year per 100,000 population

Doncaster has fallen from 11.7 patients per 100,000 in 2011/12 to 5.1 in 2015/16. This is in stark contrast to comparator areas which have all been steadily rising over this period.



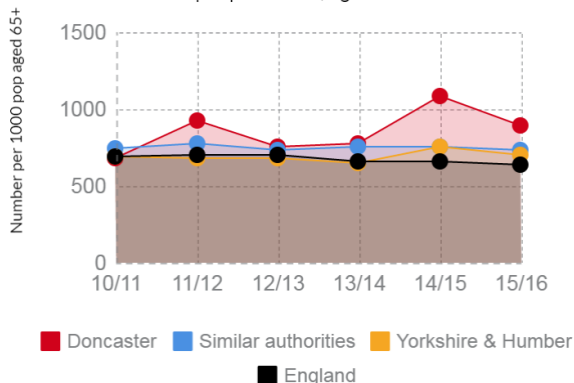
Proportion of Children in Need per 10,000 population (All children who are referred to children's social services even if no further action taken)

Doncaster had reduced significantly from 654.8 children in need per 10,000 in 2012 down to 345.9 in 2014. However this has now gradually risen up to 381.7 in 2015/16 (this equates to 2,490 children).



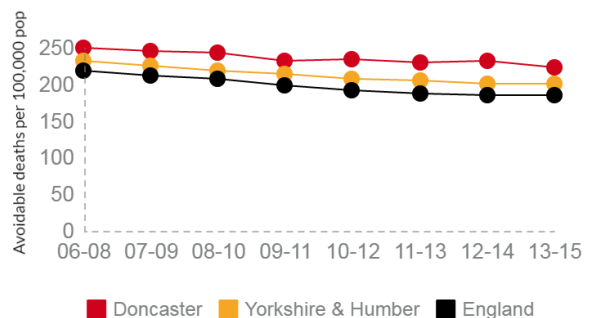
Rate of permanent admissions to residential care per 100,000 (65+)

The rate of permanent admissions to residential care within Doncaster has reduced from 1084.6 adults aged 65+ per 100,000 in 2014/15 to 890.1 in 2015/16, which equates to 101 fewer people in care, aged 65 and over.



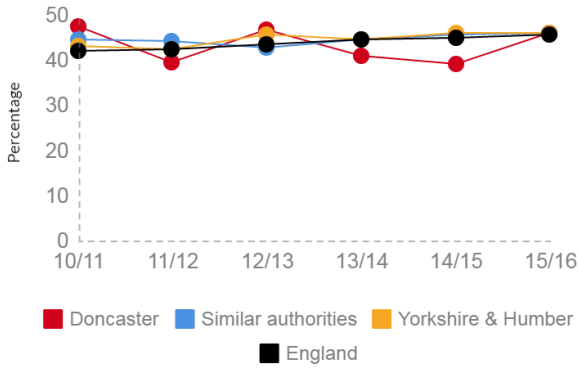
Avoidable deaths in local population (mortality rate per 100,000)

The rate of avoidable deaths per 100,000 within Doncaster has steadily reduced from 249.0 in 2006-08 period to 222.3 in 2013-15. This has reduced at a similar rate as the national average. These are deaths that could have potentially been avoided using public health interventions



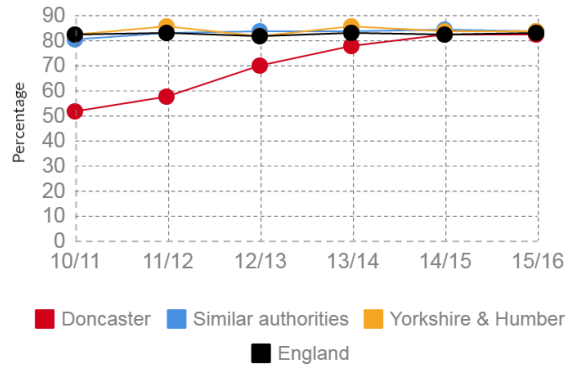
% of adult social care users who have as much social contact as they would like

Doncaster's rate has fluctuated over the last few years from 47.1% in 2010/11 and now stands at 45.7% in 2015/16. This is in line with comparators and the national figure.



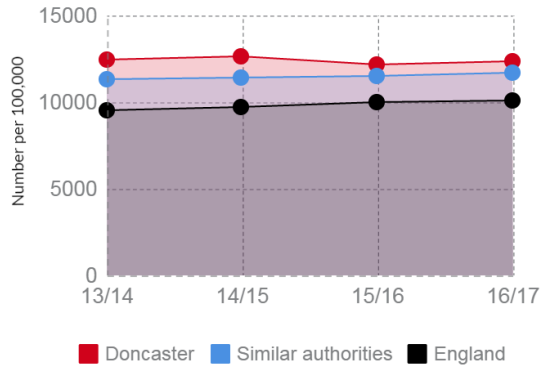
The proportion of people still at home 91 days following a period of reablement

Doncaster has experienced a significant upturn from 51.4% in 2010/11 up to 81.9% in 2015/16. This is now in line with comparators and the national figure.



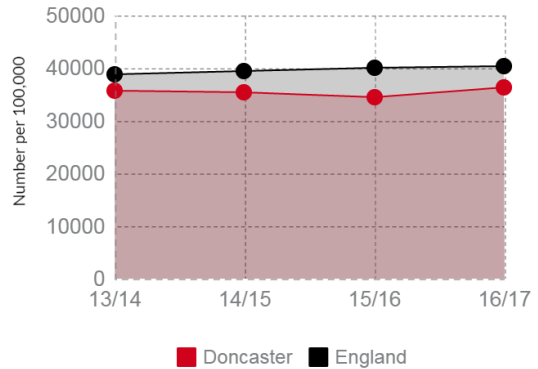
Emergency Admissions to Hospital per 100,000 population

Doncaster's figure remains higher than similar authorities and the national rate despite a drop in 2015/16.



A&E attendances per 100,000 population

After a reduction between 2014/15 and 2015/16, Doncaster has experienced a rise in the rate of A&E attendances during 2016/17. However Doncaster's rate remains below the England average.




Caring Theme – Case Studies

Helping hand to a better family life

The Stronger Families (SF) programme has helped a single dad turn his life around by working with him to find a home, financial advice and support and a better outlook on life – which led to him finding a full-time job. The family was having a tough time living in a soon-to-be evicted from home, dad out of work and in debt with two children to take care of and who were missing school. The Council's Central Area Team in Adults, Health and Well-being was referred for help via the referral hub.

Through the SF programme and working with the support of the family, the team helped to put the dad on the right track through a referral to the World of Work Academy run by St Leger Homes, boost the children's school attendance to over 90 per cent and work with St Leger Homes to find a new home. The family were helped to get advice with their debt issues and an innovation grant helped them carpet their new home and some leisure passes to get out and about and enjoy family time together. Their fortunes as a family are on the up, so much so the dad has thanked the team for their work.



They supported me to totally turn my life around.

Having a cuppa to help live with dementia

Did you know that Doncaster has a couple of dementia cafes where people living with the condition and their families can get together to chat over a cuppa and support each other. The two volunteer-run cafes in Wheatley and Bessacarr are a first for the borough and came into being after residents, partners and the council's central area teams spotted the need. The two sites are areas where there is a high number of people living with the condition and they help people remain independent and healthy for longer and support the large amount of carers within the community.

As well as being great places to meet, the dementia cafes have created an excellent referral pathway for more general well-being support, reducing social isolation alongside early intervention and prevention work linking in with vulnerable victims of anti-social behaviour and also through the Stronger Families agenda.

Complex Lives Project – Assertive Outreach Team

A new innovative way of working is being developed to support vulnerable adults with complex lives and dependencies.

Although the project is in its infancy, Team Doncaster is looking to put in place one integrated front line team focused on pro-active outreach and engagement with initial support for people to settle in stable accommodation to ensure both financial and social inclusion.

There will be one joint triage, assessment, referral and case management process quickly gathering cross partner information to enable informed judgements about case management, and providing a single system to support case coordination.

We are looking to design the system whereby one empowered key worker with authority to coordinate services and support is allocated to individuals.

The team will ensure stable, appropriate accommodation offered alongside a range of effective evidence based interventions to support stabilisation and recovery – provided on an assertive 'Housing First' basis.

The team is currently being developed and resources identified, however the Council's Communities Service along with partners from South Yorkshire Police, St Leger Homes, Aspire and Riverside have commenced to manage support and coordinate a small cohort but growing cohort adults with complex lives and dependencies.

Conclusion

This State of the Borough Report is a first for Doncaster. Through looking at a simple and concise suite of statistics and stories, it possible to see a story of people, place and community.

The 'state' of a place cannot and should not be told through numbers alone. What defines Doncaster is more than metrics – it is the intertwining of communities, histories and futures which creates a sense of place and the stories that can be told about this.

What is identified through this report are a number of amazing successes at all levels – individual, communities and the whole Borough. What shines out of examples and case studies is the power of resilience within communities and the strengths forged when public and community services work well together and in partnerships.

However, what is clearly also identified through this assessment are a number of socio-economic challenges. The task is not to shirk away from these challenges or not include them in this assessment, it is to understand them, grip them and tackle them head on. It is of course not the first time that these issues have been identified nor are they simple socioeconomic issues that can be changed overnight. The 'Doncaster Growing Together' approach that Team Doncaster is establishing provides a co-ordinated portfolio of action to address these issues, with a focus on bringing out the best in all of us.

What is also clear from the stories within this assessment is that the way to do this is to embrace and build on community strengths and for services to work well together in partnership. Doncaster improves when Doncaster grows and that is why there should be a focus on inclusive growth for the Borough. In many ways, an assessment like this prompts more questions than it answers. It can only be a positive thing to prompt and drive an ever increasingly deep and informed understanding of the opportunities and challenges the people of Doncaster face.

Data Sources

Section	Indicator	Data Source
Population	Overall population figures	Office for National Statistics, Population estimates 2016
	Population projections	Office for National Statistics, Population projections 2014-2039
	Age ratio	Census 2011, Nomis
	Ethnic group	Census 2011, Nomis
	Older population	Office for National Statistics, Population projections 2014-2039
	Number of households	Live tables on dwelling stock (including vacants), Department for Communities and Local Government
	Household composition	Census 2011, Nomis
	Personal Well-being	Personal Well-being dataset, Annual Population Survey 2014-15
	Housing Affordability ratio	Housing Affordability Ratio 2011-2016, Centre for Cities
	Commuter Flows	Location of usual residence and place of work by method of travel to work, Census 2001 and 2011, Nomis
	Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2015	English Indices of Deprivation 2015, Department of Communities and Local Government
Working	Total Doncaster Enterprises per 1000 population	UK Business Counts, Nomis
	Number of Jobs in Doncaster	Business Register and Employment Survey, Nomis
	% of working age population employed	Annual Population Survey, Nomis
	Exports per job (£)	Exports per job 2014, Centre for Cities
	% of Working age Pop claiming Out of Work Benefits	DWP Benefits, Nomis
	% of people employed in Directors and Managerial / Professional and Technical occupations	Annual Population Survey, Nomis
	GVA per worker	West Yorkshire Combined Authority/Experian, Yorkshire & Humber Regional Econometric Model
	Median Wage Rate for Residents (£/Week)	Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, Nomis
	The number of Advanced Apprenticeship Starts/Achievements	Apprenticeship Starts and Achievements, Department for Education
	% employed in Knowledge Intensive Services or High-tech Manufacturing Industries	Business Register and Employment Survey, Nomis
Learning	% of 5 year olds with good level development	Early years foundation stage profile attainment by pupil characteristics, Department for Education
	Attainment 8 Score (GCSE Attainment)	GCSE and equivalent attainment by pupil characteristics, Department for Education
	Persistent absence in Secondary Schools (% Full Year)	Pupil Absence in Schools in England, Department for Education
	% of 19 years old that achieve a level 3 qualification	Level 2 and 3 attainment by young people aged 19, Department for Education
	% of people who are qualified to level 3 or above (16-64)	Annual Population Survey, Nomis

Learning	Healthy Life Expectancy at birth (years) for Males	Public Health Outcomes Framework, Public Health England
	Healthy Life Expectancy at birth (years) for Females	Public Health Outcomes Framework, Public Health England
	The number of Net Additional Homes built	Live tables on dwelling stock (including vacants), Department for Communities and Local Government
	Numbers accepted as being homeless and in priority need- Total per 1000 pop	Statutory Homelessness Statistical Releases (Quarterly), Department for Communities and Local Government
	Number of households/ People in Temporary Accommodation per 1000 pop	Statutory Homelessness Statistical Releases (Quarterly), Department for Communities and Local Government
	Number of Home Office Crimes per 1000 population	Indicator to be added
	% of population that achieve 150 mins Physical activity per week	Public Health Outcomes Framework, Public Health England
	Co2 emissions per capita (tonnes)	Local Authority Carbon Dioxide figures, Department of Energy and Climate Change
	Child poverty	Children in Low-Income Families Local Measure, HM Revenue & Customs
	Children living in workless households	Annual Population Survey, Nomis
Caring	Delayed Transfers of Care from Hospital (all) per 100,000 population	Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, England, Health and Social Care Information Centre
	Proportion of Children in Need per 10,000 population	Characteristics of Children in Need in England, Department for Education
	Rate of permanent admissions to Residential Care per 100,000 (65+)	Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, England, Health and Social Care Information Centre
	Avoidable deaths in local population (Mortality Rate per 100,000)	Public Health Outcomes Framework, Public Health England
	% of adult social care users who have as much social contact as they would like	Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, England, Health and Social Care Information Centre
	The proportion of people still at home 91 days following a period of reablement	Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework, England, Health and Social Care Information Centre
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