



What do the Decent Neighbourhood Standards say in Benwell & Scotswood

Adults and Children and Young People have identified Benwell and Scotswood as a positive place to live, with the majority we have spoken to highlighting having good neighbours and friends and a sense of community.



- Both **Adults** and **Children and Young People** living in Benwell and Scotswood rate **Clean and Tidy Streets** as their **1st priority**
- **Adults and Children and Young People** identified **Neighbourhoods which are safe to live in** as their **2nd priority**

How do we make our assessments?

From this year we are using a different model to make the Decent Neighbourhood Assessments, bringing together statistics and people's perceptions and, for the first time, the things people say. We believe this better reflects neighbourhoods and Wards and also lets us know all of the positive things that are happening.

In this way, we hope to identify the story behind the statistics and the things that matter most to local people, informing the Council, partner's and resident's targeting of work and positive action.

Benwell and Scotswood

Decent Neighbourhood Standards 2013

Standard	Council Assessment	Resident Satisfaction	Level of need 2012	Need increased / reduced / static*	Adults	Children and Young People
Clean and tidy streets	Action required	Action required	Greatest need	↔	1	1
Well-maintained parks and spaces	Action required	Action required	Greater need	↓		
Well-lit streets	Standard met	Action required	Standard met	↓		
Well-maintained roads and pavements	Standard met	Action required	Standard met	↓		
Neighbourhoods are safe to live in	Action required	Standard met	Greater need	↔	2	2
Access to appropriate childcare	N/A	N/A	Standard met	↔		
Access to household recycling	N/A	N/A	Standard met	↔		
Activities for Children and Young People	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Access to amenities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

*Key to need:  needs static  needs reduced  needs increased



Benwell and Scotswood's Decent Neighbourhood Standards in more detail

- 1. Clean and Tidy Streets** - information from residents and the Council show that there is a level of greatest need in relation to litter and graffiti, and to a lesser extent fly-tipping and resident satisfaction. For dog-fouling, the standard is met. Overall the Ward has a level of greatest need which has remained static
- 2. Well maintained parks and spaces** - information from residents and the Council shows that there is a level of greatest around graffiti, and to a lesser extent grass cutting and resident satisfaction. Standards are met around dog fouling and litter. Overall the Ward shows a level of greater need, although this is reducing
- 3. Well-lit Streets:** Contractual performance is high, although there is a greater level of need around resident satisfaction. Overall the standard is met and needs have reduced
- 4. Well maintained Roads and Pavements** – performance data shows that the standard is met for roads, although a level of greatest need exists around satisfaction. For pavements, performance and satisfaction standards are met. Overall the standard is met and needs have reduced
- 5. Neighbourhoods which are safe to live in** – A level of greatest need exists around total crime and burglary, and to a lesser extent anti-social behaviour and people feeling safe. The standard is met around people feeling satisfied that the Council and Police are dealing with crime and anti-social behaviour. Overall there is a level of greater need and this has remained static
- 6. Access to appropriate childcare** - the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment has identified that this is of a decent standard, with both private and local community provision.
- 7. Access to Household recycling** – all properties have access to household recycling.
- 8. Activities for Children and Young People** - Adults have reported that there is a need around activities for Children and Young People
- 9. Amenities** - Adults and Children and Young People have reported that access to local amenities is neither good nor bad
- 10. Wellbeing** – Adults and Children and Young People have identified Benwell and Scotswood as a positive place to live, with the majority we have spoken to highlighting having good neighbours and friends and a sense of community

Further information on Benwell and Scotswood is available at www.newcastle.gov.uk and you can speak to your local Councillor or Cooperative Communities team (0191 277 3628) to get further information or get more involved in local decision making and contributing toward making a great place to live.