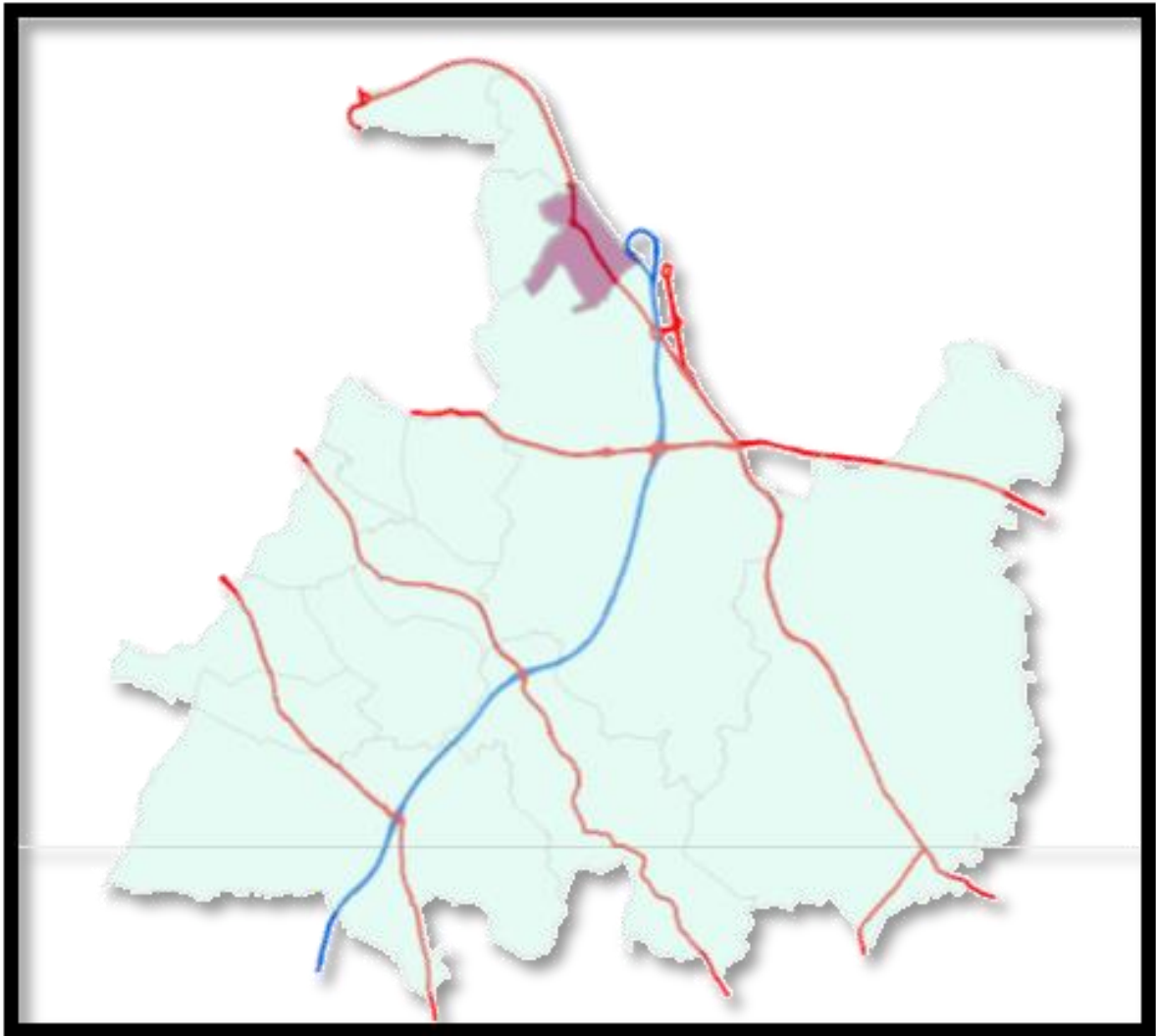


Chelmsley Wood

Ward Profile 2024



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Technical Guide to Ward Profiles

Ward profiles are part of the Solihull Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). The JSNA is how local authorities and Integrated Care Boards assess the current and future health, care and wellbeing needs of the local community. Leading to agreed commissioning priorities that will improve the health and wellbeing outcomes and reduce inequalities.

At a borough level the Story of Solihull provides an overview of the current population, demographics, health and wellbeing of Solihull residents. The Story of Solihull can be viewed via the link below.

[Story of Solihull - Joint Strategic Needs Assessment](#)

Ward Profiles complement the Story of Solihull, providing a detailed local snapshot of a ward's population, economy, health and housing. It highlights specific issues of local concern and considers what residents think about their local neighbourhood.

This ward Profile includes comprehensive coverage of the 2021 Census which can be accessed via the link below. The Census remains the most detailed and accurate measure available at a ward level. The Census provides highly detailed information on the following themes:

- Population and demography.
- Households, living arrangements and family structure.
- Ethnicity, religion, origin and language.
- Employment and qualifications.
- Health and care.
- Housing and housing condition.

[ONS 2021 Census - Official Census and Labour Market Statistics \(NOMIS\)](#)

The ward profile also draws on a range of published sources, including the latest data from:

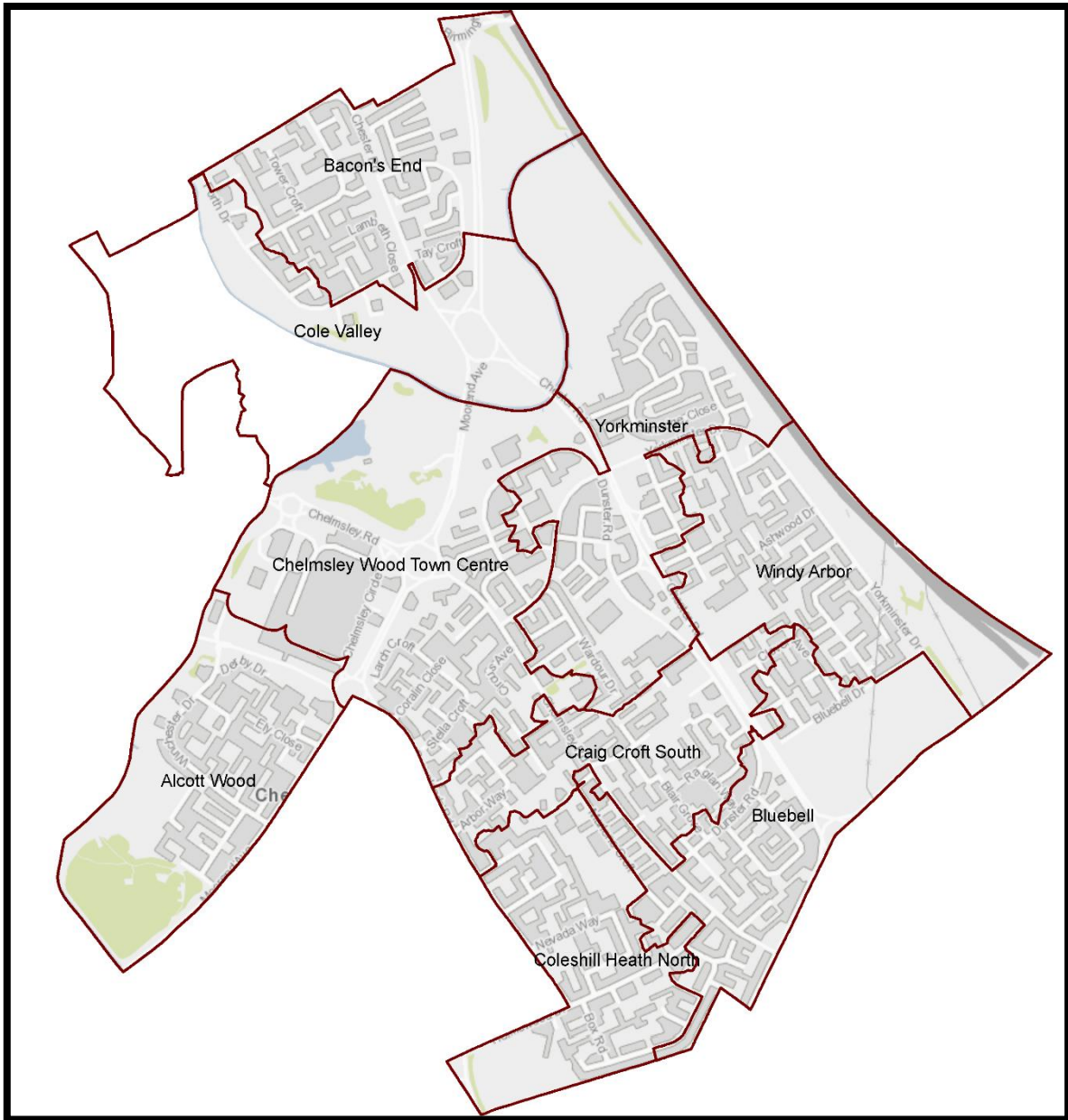
- Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.
- West Midlands Police.
- Department for Work and Pensions.
- Office for Health Improvement & Disparities.
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities.

Sub-borough data is available at a variety of levels. As well as the borough's 17 electoral wards, the majority of data is based on the standard Census geographies:

- Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) local neighbourhoods based on a minimum population of 1,000 and an average of 1,500 (134 in Solihull);
- Middle Layer Super Output Areas (MSOAs) containing an average of 7,200 persons (29 in Solihull).

Technical advice and support is available from the Solihull Observatory.

Chelmsley Wood Super Output Areas



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Summary

About Solihull

Solihull lies at the heart of the West Midlands motorway network, has excellent public transport connections with the Birmingham city conurbation and is linked to many overseas destinations through Birmingham International Airport.

There are 148,000 jobs located in Solihull with strengths in business services, transport and manufacturing. The borough benefits from a range of key economic assets such as Solihull town centre, the NEC complex, Jaguar Land Rover and Birmingham Business Parks.

Solihull is a largely affluent borough, characterised by above average levels of income and limited levels of poverty and deprivation. For instance:

- 73% of Solihull households own their own home compared to 62% for England and 64% for the West Midlands.
- The median annual wage of Solihull residents in full-time employment is 11% higher than the England average and 18% higher than that for the West Midlands.
- 13% of the Solihull working age population claim Universal Credit compared to 15% for England and 17% for the West Midlands.
- 14% of Solihull children aged 0-15 years live in a low income household compared to 20% for England and 27% for the West Midlands.
- The 2019 Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) shows that Solihull is the least deprived local authority in the West Midlands. Just 16% of the population live in one of the most deprived 20% of neighbourhoods in England, whereas 40% of people live in the least deprived 20%.

This is not the case for all Solihull communities and below average incomes and poverty is far more common among households in the three North Solihull wards (Smith's Wood; Kingshurst and Fordbridge; Chelmsley Wood). For instance:

- Just 47% of North Solihull households own their own home while 40% are social rented.
- 31% of the North Solihull working age population claim Universal Credit.
- 29% of North Solihull children aged 0-15 years live in a low income household.
- According to the IMD 52% of people in north Solihull live in one of the most deprived 20% of neighbourhoods in England, including 11% who live in the most deprived 5%.

About Chelmsley Wood

Centred on one of Solihull's main retail centres, Chelmsley Wood is one of the Borough's three densely populated northern wards and is a focus for redevelopment and neighbourhood improvement. Its socio-economic indicators reflect this status with all measures less favourable than the Solihull average. Of the nine LSOAs either wholly or partially contained within the ward, all except Bacon's End and Yorkminster are in the most 20% deprived of neighbourhoods in the country. Cole Valley, Chelmsley Wood Town Centre, Craig Croft South, Windy Arbor, Coleshill Heath North and Alcott Wood are in the most 10% deprived nationally.

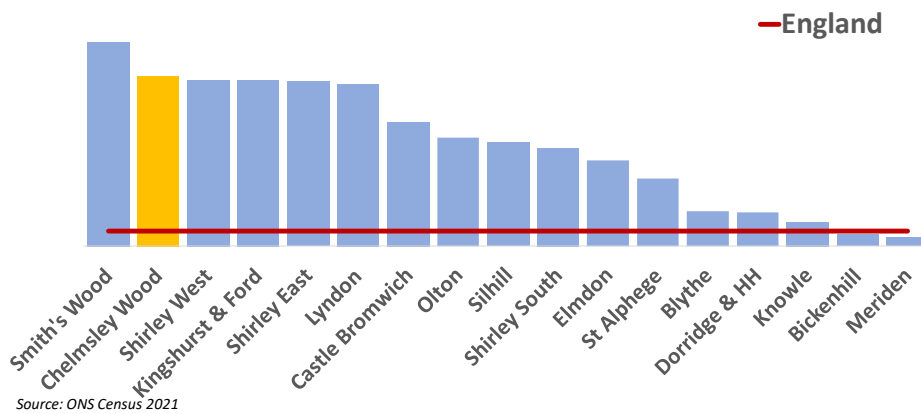
The regeneration of Chelmsley Wood seeks to bring about long-term sustainable benefits for residents through changes to the tenure mix and types of housing available to local people and through improvements to schools, community facilities, retail, leisure and employment services, whilst at the same time enhancing existing key strengths such as the town centre and Local Nature Reserve and Green Flag Park, Meriden Park. Also the proximity to the River Cole and employment centres of the NEC, Airport & Birmingham Business Park to the south.

Population and Households

Population Size and Growth

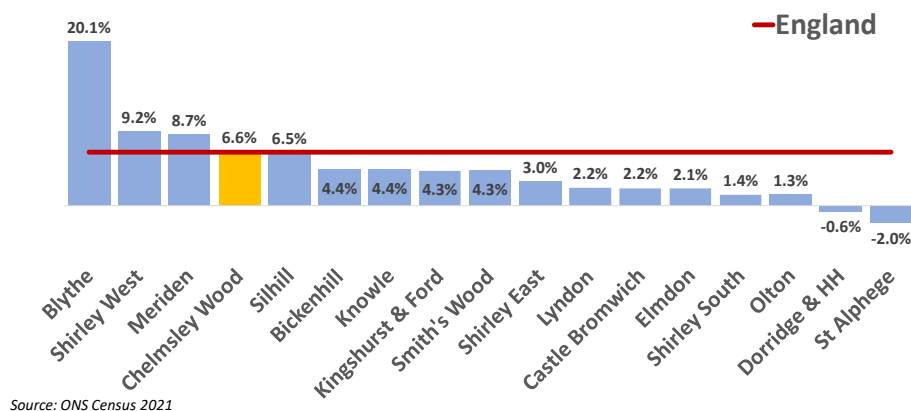
The 2021 Census shows that 13,278 people live in Chelmsley Wood, representing 4,877 people per km² (Population density Solihull 1,213 and England 434 per km²). Chelmsley Wood has the 2nd largest population density of Solihull’s 17 wards.

Solihull Population Density 2021



Between 2011 and 2021 the Chelmsley Wood population increased by 825 people. This equates to growth of 6.6% over this 10-year period higher than the Solihull (4.6%) average and in-line with England’s (6.6%). Population growth in Chelmsley Wood was the 4th highest out of Solihull’s 17 wards.

Solihull Population Growth 2011 - 2021



Population Age Groups

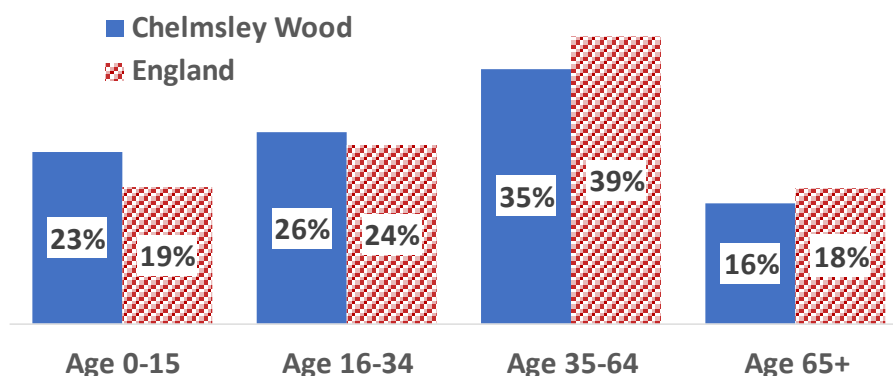
23% of the Chelmsley Wood population are under 16 years of age (including 9.5% aged 5 and under), 60% are working age and 16% are aged 65 and over (including 1.6% aged 85+).

The size of the under 16 population in Chelmsley Wood (23%) is larger than Solihull (19%) or England (19%), while the number aged 65+ is proportionally smaller (16% Chelmsley Wood, 21% Solihull, 18% England).

Population by in Chelmsley Wood Age Group 2021				
Age Group	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Age 0-15	3,083	23%	19%	19%
Age 16-24	1,410	11%	9%	11%
Age 25-34	2,030	15%	12%	14%
Age 35-49	2,154	16%	18%	19%
Age 50-64	2,434	18%	20%	19%
Age 65+	2,167	16%	21%	18%
Total	13,278			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Age Structure in Chelmsley Wood



Source: ONS Census 2021

In the 10-years 2011 to 2021 population growth in Chelmsley Wood has been driven by those aged 50 and over (+23% growth aged 50-64, +17% aged 65+), with a relatively high growth rate among those aged 25-34 years too. This has been offset by population decline among young people aged 16-24 (-17%) and by those aged 35-49 (-15%). Although the fall in population in the age groups in Chelmsley Wood is consistent with the Solihull and England averages.

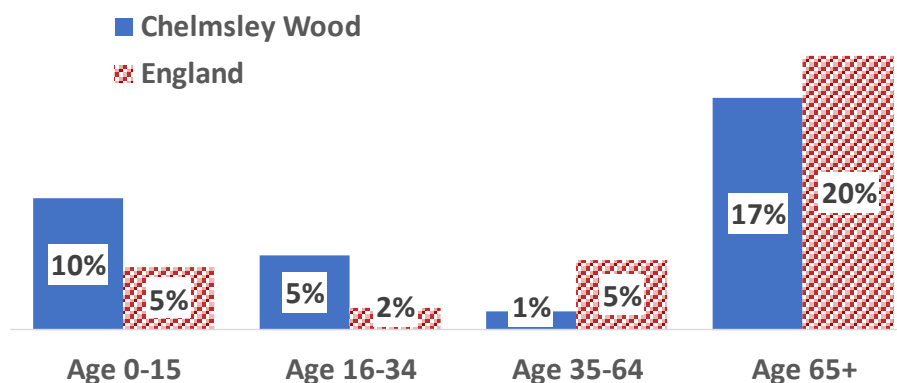
Change in Population in Chelmsley Wood Between 2011 and 2021 by Age Group				
Age Group	Change in number in Chelmsley Wood	% Change in number of people		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Age 0-15	271	10%	7%	5%
Age 16-24	-297	-17%	-9%	-5%
Age 25-34	476	31%	17%	7%
Age 35-49	-391	-15%	-10%	-3%
Age 50-64	451	23%	9%	15%
Age 65+	315	17%	15%	20%

Total	825	7%	5%	7%
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Source: ONS Census 2011 and 2021

Comparing the 10-year population growth rates of Chelmsley Wood and England shows that the changes have tended to be in same direction, but at least among those under 35 years, more pronounced in Chelmsley Wood.

% Change in Population in Chelmsley Wood by Age Group 2011 - 2021



Source: ONS Census 2011 and 2021

Ethnicity

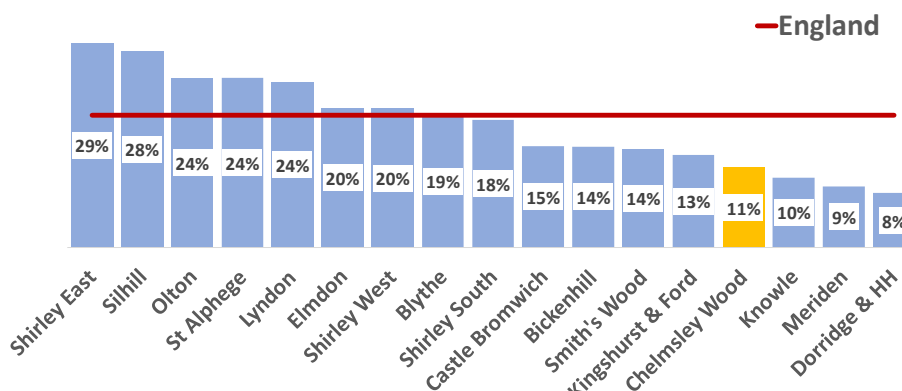
89% of the Chelmsley Wood population are white and 11% from an ethnic minority background. Chelmsley Wood has a proportionally smaller ethnic minority population than either Solihull (18%) or England (19%). 49% of the ethnic minority population in Chelmsley Wood are from the mixed or multiple ethnic group, with this group representing 6% of all people in Chelmsley Wood.

Ethnic Group of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Ethnic Group	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
White	11,772	89%	82%	81%
Asian/Asian British	316	2%	11%	10%
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	735	6%	3%	3%
Black/Black British	401	3%	2%	4%
Other Ethnic Group	62	0.5%	2%	2%
Ethnic Minority Total	1,514	11%	18%	19%
Total Population	13,286			

Source ONS Census 2021

Chelmsley Wood has the 4th Smallest ethnic minority population among Solihull's 17 wards, but the 3rd largest mixed or multiple ethnic group population and the 3rd largest Black/Black British population.

Ethnic Minority Population in Solihull 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

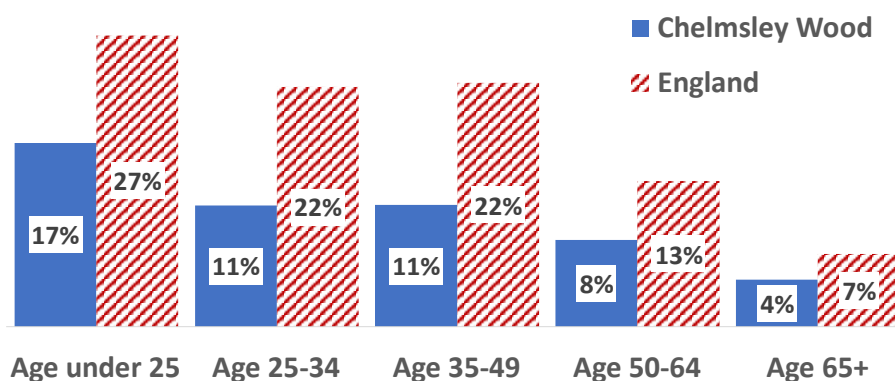
The ethnic minority population in Chelmsley Wood is proportionally higher among younger than older age groups. For instance, 17% of those under 25 are from an ethnic minority background compared to just 4% of those aged 65+.

Ethnic Group of Chelmsley Wood Population by Age					
Ethnic Group	Age under 25	Age 25-34	Age 35-49	Age 50-64	Age 65+
White	3,737	1,804	1,917	2,242	2,072
Asian/Asian British	124	58	83	41	10
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	517	102	71	34	11
Black/Black British	94	57	76	109	65
Other ethnic group	24	9	11	10	8
Ethnic Minority Population	759	226	241	194	94
Total Population	4,496	2,030	2,158	2,436	2,166
% BAME	17%	11%	11%	8%	4%

Source: ONS Census 2021

The pattern in Chelmsley Wood is the same as England, with the ethnic minority population higher among younger age groups in both. A sharp reduction in the ethnic minority population from the age of 50 onwards is evident in both Chelmsley Wood and England.

Ethnic Minority Population by Age in Chelmsley Wood 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

In the 10-years 2011 to 2021 the proportion of Chelmsley Wood residents from an ethnic minority background increased from 8% to 11% of the population.

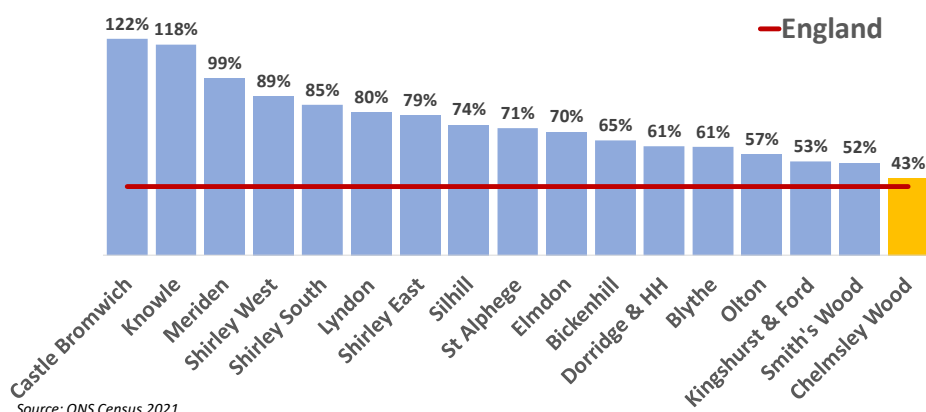
Although the Chelmsley Wood population increased by nearly 7% the number of ethnic minority residents increased by 43% (457 individuals) in the 10 years to 2021. In absolute terms the increase in the Chelmsley Wood ethnic minority population was largest among those from the mixed of multiple ethnic group (+258 individuals) followed by the Asian/Asian British population (+204). There was a small fall in the Black/Black British population (-59).

Change in Population Ethnicity in Chelmsley Wood 2011-2021				
Ethnic Group	Change in Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Change		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
White	376	3%	-4%	1%
Asian/Asian British	204	182%	76%	31%
Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	258	54%	70%	40%
Black/Black British	-59	-13%	22%	29%
Other ethnic group	54	675%	167%	124%
Ethnic Minority Total	457	43%	72%	38%
Total Population	833	7%	5%	7%

Source: ONS Census 2011 and 2021

Growth of 43% in the ethnic minority population in Chelmsley Wood in the 10 years to 2021 is slightly higher than the England average (38%) but is smaller than that for Solihull (+72%). Growth in the ethnic minority population in Chelmsley Wood is the lowest among Solihull’s 17 wards.

Ethnic Minority Population Growth in Solihull 2011 - 2021



Religion

51% of the Chelmsley Wood population who answered the Census religious identification question said that they had a religious faith, with 49% saying they had no religion. Chelmsley Wood has proportionally much more people with no religion than either Solihull (35%) or England (39%).

Like Solihull and England as a whole, Christianity is the most common religious faith in Chelmsley Wood (48%).

Religious Faith of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Religious Faith	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Christian	6,020	48%	53%	49%
Muslim	209	2%	6%	7%
Hindu	53	0.4%	3%	2%
Sikh	28	0.2%	2%	1%
Buddhist	50	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%
Jewish	9	0.1%	0.1%	0.5%
Other religion	48	0.4%	0.4%	0.6%
No religion	6,174	49%	35%	39%
Total	12,591			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Origin and Language

At the time of the 2021 Census, around 92% of the Chelmsley Wood population lived at the same address that they were resident in a year before. Of the remainder, most migrants lived elsewhere in the UK (95% of Chelmsley Wood migrants, 7% of Chelmsley Wood population) with a small number coming from outside UK (5% of Chelmsley Wood migrants, 0.4% of Chelmsley Wood population).

Recent Migration of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Address One Year Ago	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Same address (non-migrant)	12,075	92%	92%	89%
Temp student residence in UK (non-migrant)	8	0.1%	0.2%	0.6%
Elsewhere in UK (migrant)	955	7.3%	7.6%	9.6%
Outside the UK (migrant)	48	0.4%	0.5%	0.9%
All Migrants	1,003	7.7%	8.1%	10.5%
Total Population	13,086			

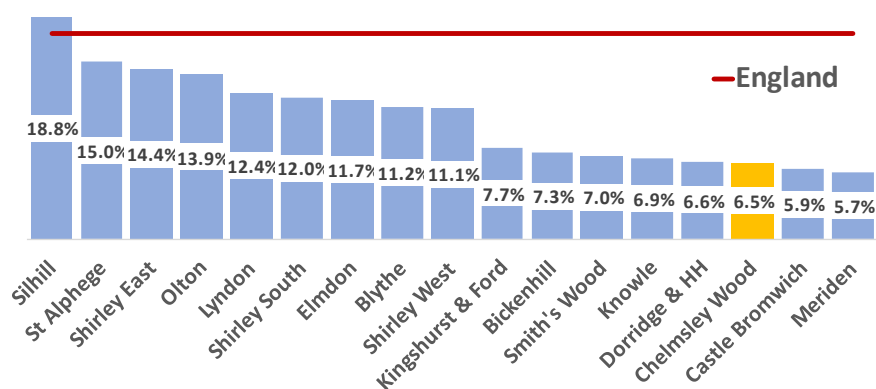
Source: ONS Census 2021

94% of the Chelmsley Wood population were born in in the UK (90% Solihull, 83% England). Just 6% of the Chelmsley Wood population were born overseas (860 individuals). Proportionally Chelmsley Wood has the 3rd lowest overseas population in Solihull.

Country of Birth of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Country of Birth	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
UK	12,415	93%	90%	83%
Europe	420	3%	3%	7%
Africa	117	1%	1%	3%
Middle East & Asia	188	1%	5%	6%
Americas & Caribbean	115	0.9%	0.7%	1.4%
Antarctica & Oceania	16	0.12%	0.15%	0.30%
British Overseas	4	0.03%	0.03%	0.04%
Total	13,275			

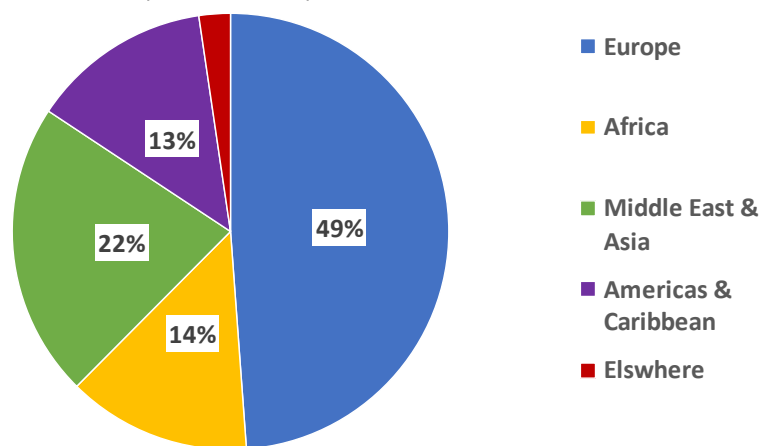
Source: ONS Census 2021

Population Born Overseas in Solihull 2021



49% of the Chelmsley Wood population born overseas were born in Europe (420 individuals), with 22% born in the Middle East or Asia (188 individuals), 14% (117) in Africa and 13% (115) in the Americas & Caribbean.

Chelmsley Wood Population Born Overseas 2021



The Census data shows that the majority of Chelmsley Wood overseas population arrived since 2001 (64%) including 31% who have arrived post 2014 (similar to England where the most recent arrivals constitute 34% of the total). However, 25% of Chelmsley Wood migrants arrived prior to 1981, in-line with the Solihull average but higher than that of England (14%).

Year of Arrival in UK Among Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Year of Arrival	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% born overseas		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Arrived before 1981	402	25%	27%	14%
Arrived 1981 to 2000	216	11%	16%	17%
Arrived 2001 to 2013	464	33%	30%	36%
Arrived 2014 to 2021	388	31%	26%	34%
Total born overseas	1,470			

Source: ONS Census 2021

97% of the Chelmsley Wood population speak English as their first language (96% Solihull, 91% England). Just 0.5% of the Solihull population cannot speak English well or speak English at all.

Proficiency in English of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Language Skills	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
English 1 st language	12,260	97%	96%	91%
Not 1 st language but speak English well	174	2%	2%	4%
Cannot speak English well	55	0.4%	0.5%	1.6%
Cannot speak English	11	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
Total (aged 3+)	12,649			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Households

There are 5,823 households in Chelmsley Wood, with family households comprising 59% (3,438) and single person households 36% (2,102). Compared with the England and Solihull averages Chelmsley Wood has more single person households and fewer family households.

Household Composition in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Household Type	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Single person households	2,102	36%	29%	30%
Family households	3,438	59%	66%	63%
Other households	283	5%	5%	7%
All households	5,823			

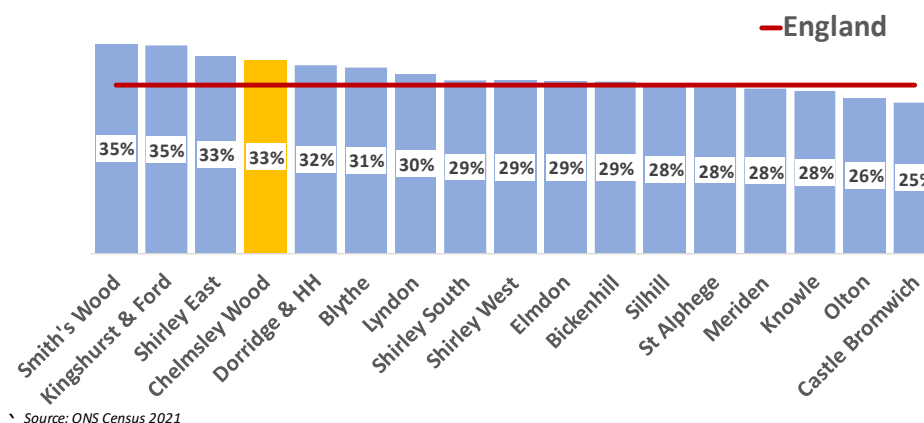
Source: ONS Census 2021

33% of Chelmsley Wood households have dependent children (England 28%). Chelmsley Wood has the 4th largest proportion of dependent child households in Solihull.

Households with Children in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Household Type	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Dependent children	1,900	33%	30%	28%
Non-dependent children	707	12%	12%	11%
All Households with Children	2,607	45%	43%	39%
All Households	5,823			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Households with Dependent Children in Solihull 2021

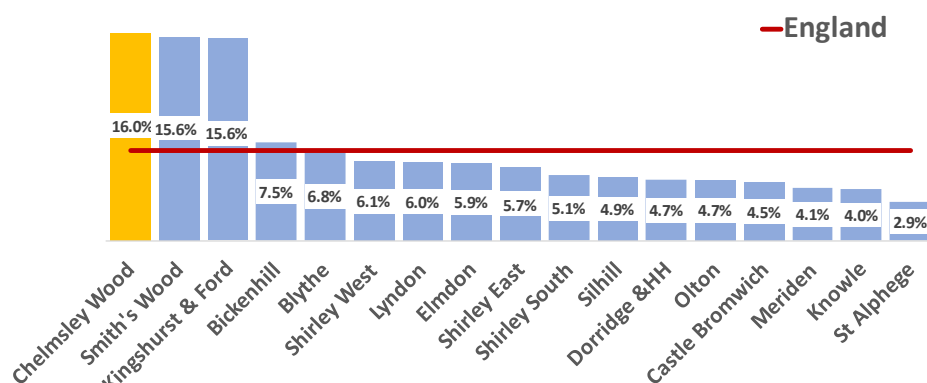


About 72% of single parent households in Chelmsley Wood contain dependent children. The proportion of single parent households with dependent children is considerably higher than both the Solihull and England averages (16.0% of all households in Chelmsley Wood, 7.2% Solihull, 6.9% England). Chelmsley Wood has the highest number of single parent households in Solihull.

Single Parent Households in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Household Type	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Dependent children	933	16.0%	7.2%	6.9%
Non-dependent children	362	6.2%	4.4%	4.2%
All Single parent households	1,295	22.2%	11.6%	11.1%
All households	5,823			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Single Parent Households with Dependent Children in Solihull 2021



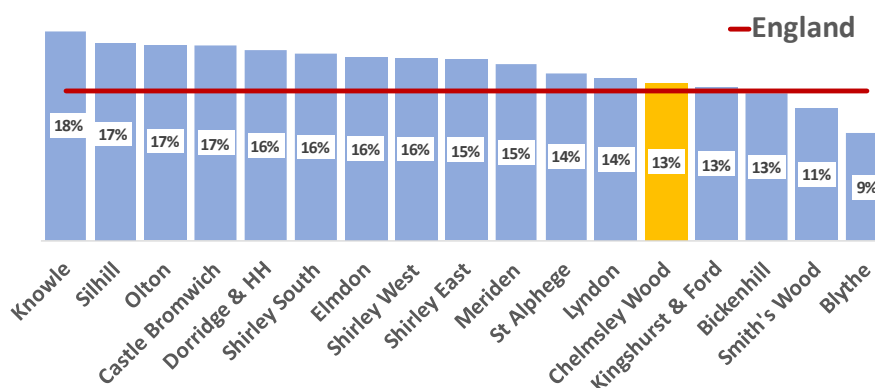
Source: ONS Census 2021

Fewer households in Chelmsley Wood are occupied by older people than the benchmarks (19% of all households Chelmsley Wood, 26% Solihull, 22% England). Chelmsley Wood has a smaller proportion of both older couple households and single older people households. Chelmsley Wood has 783 single older people households and at 13% of all households in the ward is the 5th smallest proportion in Solihull.

Older People Households in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Household Type	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Single older people households	783	13%	15%	13%
Couple older people households	345	6%	11%	9%
All older people households	1,128	19%	26%	22%
All households	5,823			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Single Older People Households in Solihull 2021

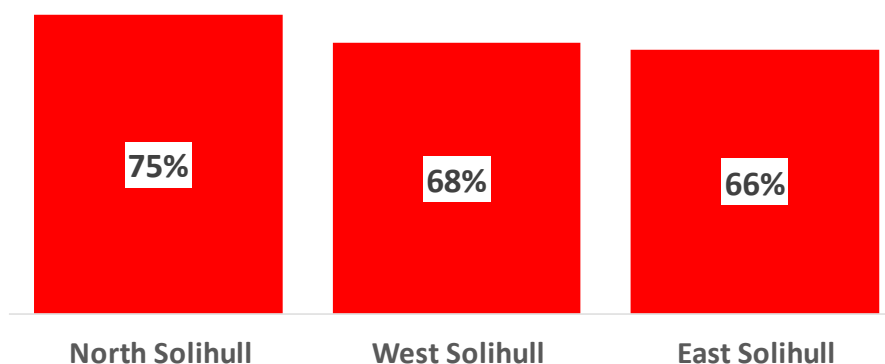


Source: ONS Census 2021

Deprivation, Benefits and Poverty

For much of 2022 and 2023 UK households have been subject to high levels of inflation and a squeeze on living standards. This is reflected in local survey results, with 70% of respondents to the 2022 Place Survey saying that they were more worried about their finances than a year previously. This pattern was replicated across all three Solihull localities.

Respondents to Place Survey who are more worried about finances than one year ago



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

Index of Multiple Deprivation

The Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) is the official measure of deprivation in England produced by the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG). The IMD combines 39 economic, financial, social, environmental and housing measures into a single deprivation score for individual neighbourhoods called Super Output Areas (LSOAs) in England. There are 32,844 LSOAs in England and 134 in Solihull with an average population of 1,500.

The IMD therefore allows each LSOA neighbourhood to be ranked relative to one another according to their level of deprivation.

The 2019 IMD shows that Solihull is the least deprived upper tier Local Authority in the West Midlands and is ranked in the 2nd top quintile nationally.

Solihull is relatively polarised between large parts of the borough that rank among the least deprived areas of England and a concentration of neighbourhoods in North Solihull among the most deprived.

Population Living in Most and Least Deprived Neighbourhoods in 2019			
	% Population		
	Solihull Population	North Solihull Population	Rest of Borough Population
Most Deprived 5% of areas in England	5%	16%	0%
Most Deprived 10% of areas in England	11%	41%	0%
Least Deprived 10% of areas in England	28%	0%	39%
Least Deprived 5% of areas in England	23%	0%	31%

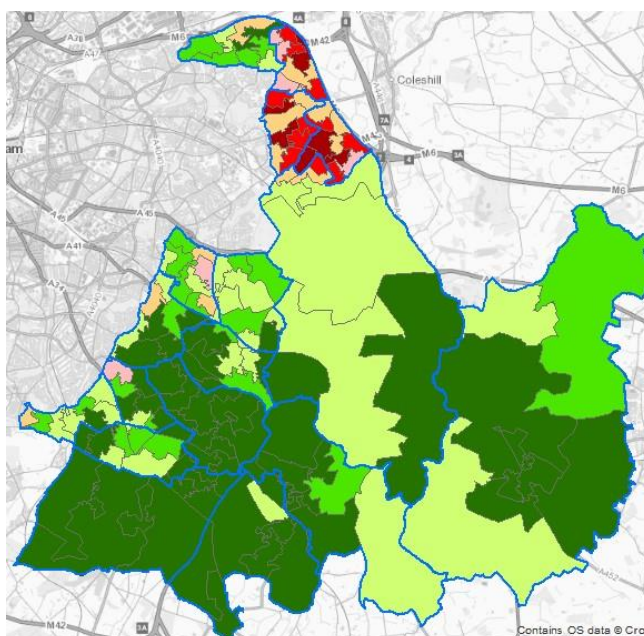
Source: Ministry of Housing Communities & Local Government English Indices of Deprivation

2019 Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)

Overall Rank

Percentile Rank

- Bottom 5%
- 5th to 10th percentile
- 10th to 20th percentile
- 20th to 40th percentile
- 40th to 60th percentile
- 60th to 80th percentile
- Top 20%



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Deprivation is substantially higher in the North Solihull wards of Chelmsley Wood, Kingshurst & Fordbridge and Smith's Wood than elsewhere in the borough. The deprivation evident in North Solihull is part of a wider area of disadvantage that spreads throughout east Birmingham.

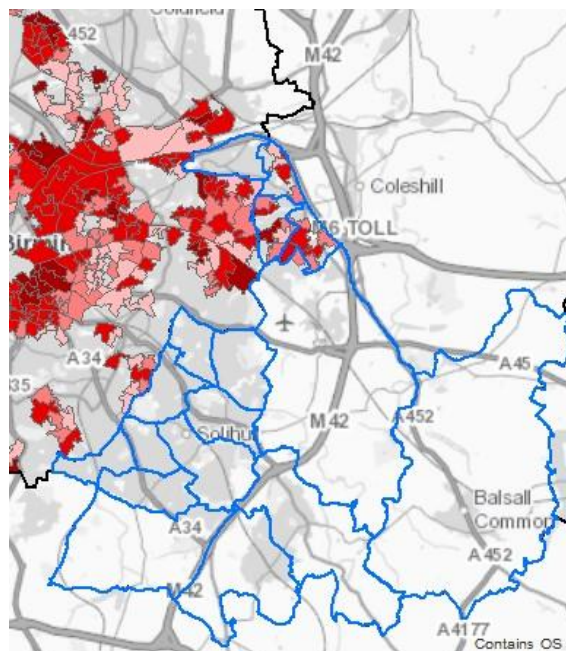
2019 Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)

Overall Rank

LSOAs in Solihull & East Birmingham in Most Deprived 10%

Percentile Rank

- 0 - 2nd percentile
- 2 - 5th percentile
- 5 - 7th percentile
- 7 - 10th percentile



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Chelmsley Wood’s nine LSOAs are, on average, ranked on the 9th percentile nationally, with the 17 Solihull wards ranging from the deprived Chelmsley Wood (9th percentile) to the advantaged St Alphege (94th percentile). On this basis Chelmsley Wood would be considered one of the 10% most deprived areas in England.

IMD Deprivation Rank in Solihull 2019	
Ward	Average Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Chelmsley Wood	9
Smith's Wood	11
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	14
Lyndon	49
Bickenhill	52
Elmdon	59
Shirley West	60
Castle Bromwich	64
Olton	72
Silhill	73
Shirley East	75
Shirley South	76
Meriden	78
Knowle	86
Blythe	91
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	91
St Alphege	94

Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019

Deprivation among the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs ranges from the most deprived neighbourhood Chelmsley Wood Town Centre on the 3rd percentile to the least deprived neighbourhood Bacon's End on the 23rd percentile. Six out of the nine of Chelmsley Wood LSOAs are among the most deprived 10% of neighbourhoods in England, including two in the most deprived 5%.

IMD Deprivation Rank in Chelmsley Wood 2019	
LSOA	Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Chelmsley Wood Town Centre	3.4
Craig Croft South	4.2
Alcott Wood	5.0
Coleshill Heath North	5.0
Cole Valley	5.8
Windy Arbor	6.7
Bluebell	10.7
Yorkminster	20.2
Bacon's End	22.5
<i>Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019</i>	

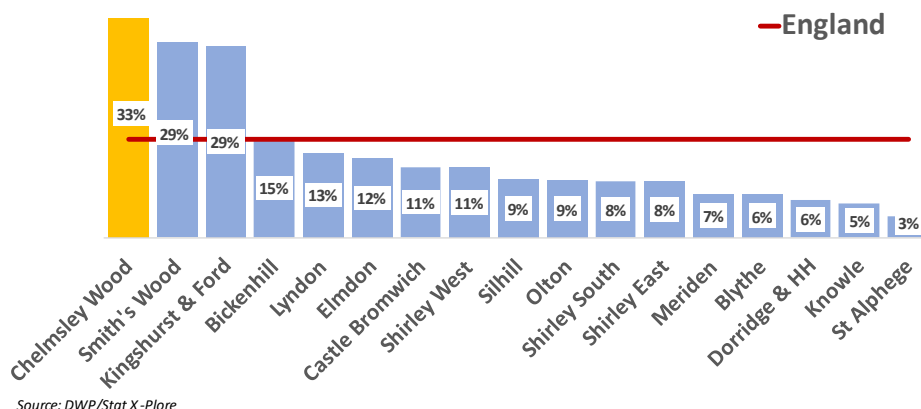
Universal Credit

As of July 2023 2,621, Chelmsley Wood residents were claiming Universal Credit (UC), equating to 32.9% of the working age population. The rate in Chelmsley Wood is much higher than that for Solihull (12.7%) or England (14.7%). The UC claimant rate in Chelmsley Wood is the highest in Solihull.

36% of the UC in Chelmsley Wood are in employment and 64% not in employment, this is broadly in-line with the Solihull and England averages.

Universal Credit Claimants in Chelmsley Wood July 2023				
Claimants	Claimants in Chelmsley Wood	% UC Claimants		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
UC in employment	939	36%	38%	39%
UC not in employment	1,676	64%	62%	61%
All UC claimants	2,621			
<i>Source: DWP/Stat-Xplore</i>				

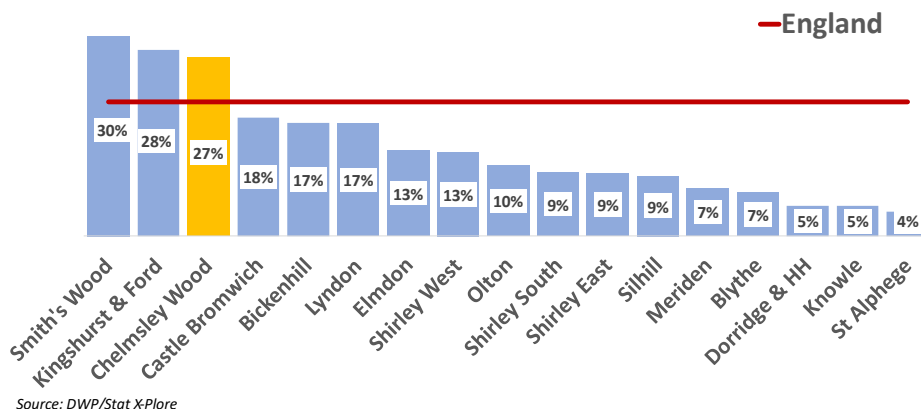
Universal Credit Claimant Rate in Solihull July 2023



Child Poverty

At the end of 2021/22 861 children aged 0-15 years in Chelmsley Wood lived in a low income household. This equates to 27% of the 0-15 population, higher than both the Solihull (15%) and England averages (20%). The rate in Chelmsley Wood is the 3rd highest among Solihull's 17 wards which range from 30% in Smith's Wood to 4% in St Alphege.

Children aged 0 – 15 years in a low - income household in Solihull 2021/22



The number of children living in a low-income household in Chelmsley Wood varies more between age groups than across England. In particular, a relatively high proportion all Chelmsley Wood children living in a low-income household are under 5 years of age (37%) and a relatively small proportion are aged 11-15 years (25%).

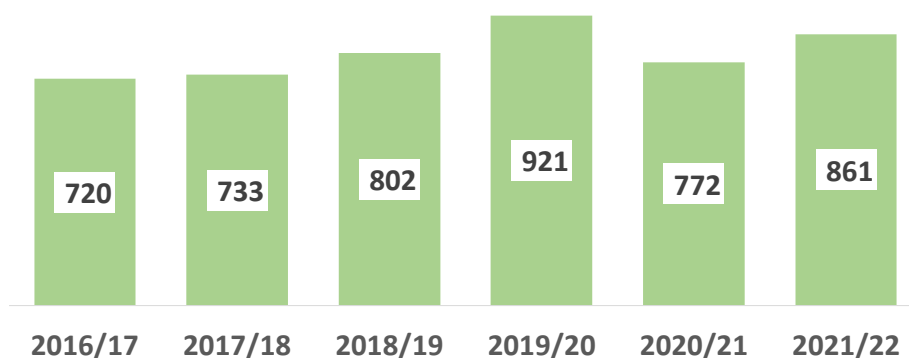
Children Aged 0-15 Years Living in a Low-Income Household in Chelmsley Wood 2021/22				
Age Group	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% all children 0-15 years in low income household		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Aged 0-4 Years	315	37%	30%	28%
Aged 5-10 Years	328	38%	36%	37%
Aged 11-15 Years	218	25%	34%	35%
All Aged 0-15 Years	861			

Source: DWP/Stat-Xplore

The number of Chelmsley Wood children living in a low-income household averaged 802 in the six years 2016/17 to 2021/22. There was a substantial rise from 802 at the end of 2018/19 to 921 at the end of 2019/20 coinciding with the onset of the outbreak of covid-19. This rise is consistent with those across Solihull and England.

The number of Chelmsley Wood children living in a low-income household edged downwards from 2018/19 to 2021/22.

Chelmsley Wood Children Aged 0 - 15 Years Living in a Low - Income Household



Source: DWP/Stat Xplore

The Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) is a component part of the IMD measuring the relative income deprivation impacting upon children aged 0-15 years.

Chelmsley Wood's nine LSOAs are, on average, ranked on the 8th percentile nationally of the IDACI, with the 17 Solihull wards ranging from the deprived Smith's Wood (6th percentile) to the advantaged St Alphege (89th percentile). On this basis Chelmsley Wood would be considered one of the 10% most income deprived areas in England for children.

Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) in Solihull 2019	
Ward	Average IDACI Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Smith's Wood	6
Chelmsley Wood	8
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	12
Bickenhill	49
Shirley West	56
Lyndon	56
Elmdon	60
Castle Bromwich	67
Silhill	68
Olton	71
Shirley East	71
Shirley South	71
Meriden	75
Knowle	83
Blythe	84
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	86
St Alphege	89
<i>Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019</i>	

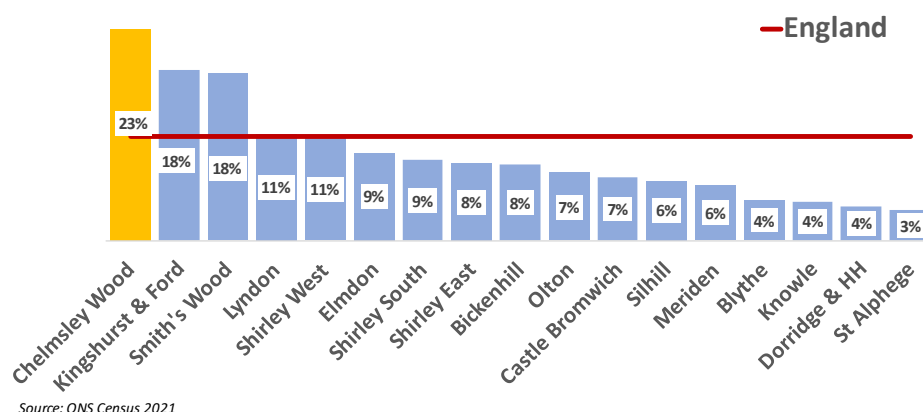
Child income deprivation among the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs ranges from Cole Valley on the 2nd percentile to the least deprived neighbourhood Bacon's End on the 22nd percentile. Seven of the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs are among the 10% most deprived neighbourhoods in England including two in the most deprived 5%.

IDACI Rank in Chelmsley Wood 2019	
LSOA	IDACI Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Cole Valley	1.8
Coleshill Heath North	3.3
Windy Arbor	5.4
Chelmsley Wood Town Centre	5.9
Alcott Wood	6.9
Craig Croft South	7.3
Bluebell	9.1
Yorkminster	11.5
Bacon's End	22.3
<i>Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019</i>	

Older People Poverty

In February 2023 there were 478 older people in Chelmsley Wood claiming a pension credit. This equates to 23% of the pension age population much higher than the England average (11%) average and the highest among the 17 Solihull wards.

Pension Credit Rate in Solihull February 2023



The Income Deprivation Affecting Older People (IDAOP) is a component part of the IMD measuring the relative income deprivation impacting upon older people aged 65 and over.

Chelmsley Wood’s nine LSOAs are, on average, ranked on the 21st percentile nationally of the IDAOP, with the 17 Solihull wards ranging from Chelmsley Wood (21st percentile) to St Alphege (93rd percentile). It is notable that even the most relatively deprived Solihull wards rank outside the most deprived quintile in England on this measure.

Income Deprivation Affecting Older People (IDAOP) in Solihull 2019	
Wards	Average IDAOP Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Chelmsley Wood	21
Smith's Wood	25
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	26
Lyndon	47
Shirley West	53
Bickenhill	58
Elmdon	59
Shirley South	65
Shirley East	65
Olton	68
Castle Bromwich	68
Meriden	72
Silhill	74
Blythe	85
Knowle	88
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	88
St Alphege	93

Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019

Older people income deprivation among the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs ranges from Craig Croft South on the 9th percentile to the least deprived neighbourhood Yorkminster on the 40th percentile. Five Chelmsley Wood LSOAs are in the 20% most deprived neighbourhoods in England, including one in the most deprived 10%. The relative income poverty of older people in Chelmsley Wood is less widespread than the levels of deprivation evident in other IMD domains.

IDAOP Rank in Chelmsley Wood 2019	
LSOA	IDACI Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Craig Croft South	9.4
Cole Valley	10.2
Alcott Wood	12.6
Windy Arbor	13.6
Chelmsley Wood Town Centre	15.3
Coleshill Heath North	23.3
Bluebell	29.2
Bacon's End	32.3
Yorkminster	39.9

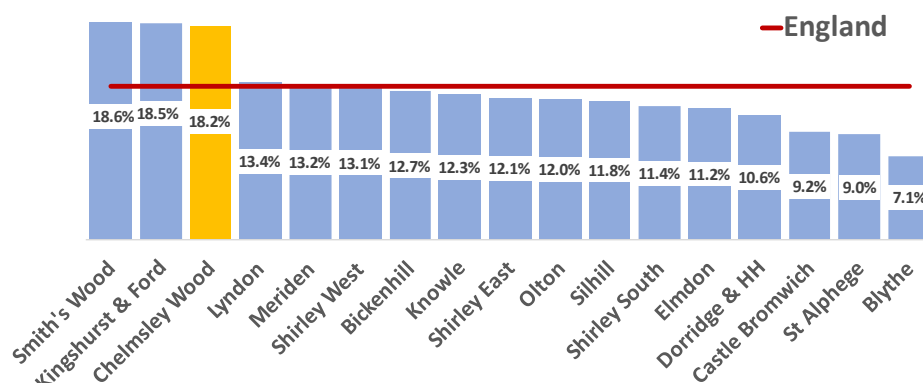
Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019

Fuel Poverty

Fuel poverty is measured by the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy which determines that those households which are below the poverty line and at the same time are energy inefficient and fuel poor.

1,146 Chelmsley Wood households were classified as fuel poor in 2021. This equates to 18.2% of all Chelmsley Wood households, more than the Solihull (12.7%) and England (13.1%) averages. Among the 17 Solihull wards Chelmsley Wood has the 3rd highest fuel poverty rate.

Fuel Poverty Rate in Solihull 2021



Of the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs the percentage of fuel poor households ranges from 21.4% in Windy Arbor to 15.5% in Yorkminster.

Fuel Poor Households in Chelmsley Wood 2021		
	Number	% Households
Windy Arbor	140	21.4%
Bluebell	133	19.9%
Alcott Wood	151	19.9%
Cole Valley	125	19.3%
Craig Croft South	139	17.6%
Chelmsley Wood Town Centre	146	17.0%
Coleshill Heath North	119	16.9%
Bacon's End	74	16.7%
Yorkminster	119	15.5%
<i>Source: Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy</i>		

Employment and Skills

Resident Economic Activity

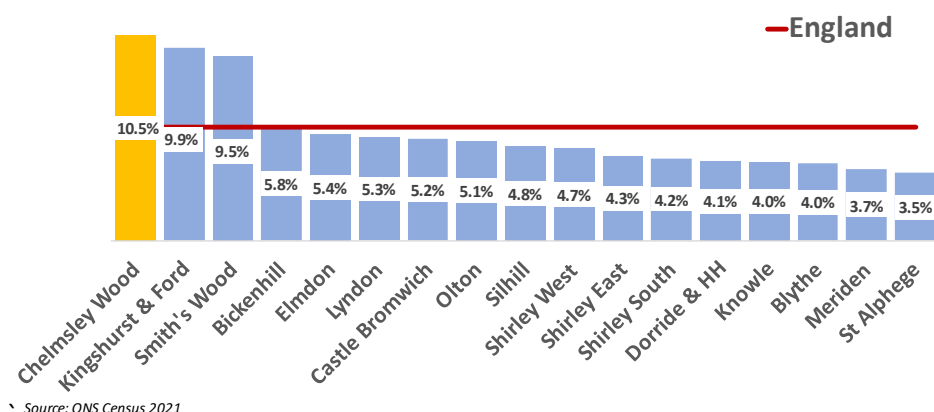
At the time of the 2021 Census 61% of the Chelmsley Wood working age population were in employment (4,867 individuals), 7% were unemployed (574 individuals) and 32% economically inactive (2,582 individuals). Chelmsley Wood has the lowest employment rate in Solihull with unemployment and economic inactivity at the upper end of the spectrum.

Economic Activity of Working Age Population in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Economic Status	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% 16-64 Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Employed	4,867	61%	73%	71%
Unemployed	574	7%	4%	4%
Inactive	2,582	32%	23%	25%
All Age 16-64	8,023			
<i>Source: ONS Census 2021</i>				

An unemployment rate reflects just the part of the population that is economically active (i.e. excludes people who have opted out of the labour market due to retirement or looking after home and are deemed to be inactive).

In March 2021, Chelmsley Wood's unemployment rate of 10.5% was much higher than the England average (5.8%) and the highest in Solihull.

Unemployment Rate in Solihull March 2021



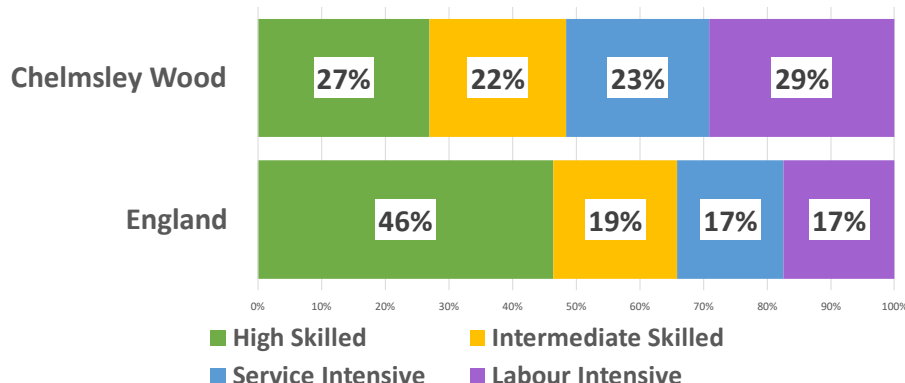
Resident Employment

Chelmsley Wood residents are more likely than people across Solihull or England to work in service intensive or labour intensive occupations.

Occupation of Employed Population of Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Occupation	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population in Employment		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Managers, directors & senior officials	359	7%	15%	13%
Professional occupations	531	11%	24%	20%
Associate professional & technical occupations	465	9%	13%	13%
Administrative & secretarial occupations	526	10%	11%	9%
Skilled trades occupations	556	11%	8%	10%
Caring, leisure & other service occupations	668	13%	8%	9%
Sales & customer service occupations	464	9%	7%	7%
Process, plant & machine operatives	590	12%	6%	7%
Elementary occupations	872	17%	8%	10%
All in Employment	5,031			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Occupations of People in Employment Chelmsley Wood 2021



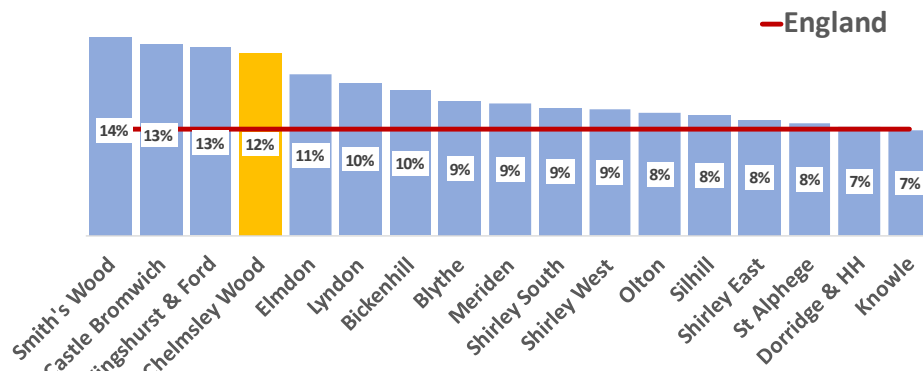
Source: ONS Census 2021

27% of Chelmsley Wood residents in employment work in the public sector (1,378 individuals across public administration, education and healthcare). This is by far the largest sector in Chelmsley Wood, although proportionally fewer Chelmsley Wood residents work in the public sector than across the benchmarks. Other significant industries for those in employment in Chelmsley Wood include wholesale & retail (17%), manufacturing (12%) and business services (11%).

Industry of Employed Population of Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Industry Sector	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population in Employment		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Manufacturing	628	12%	10%	7%
Other Production	6	0.1%	0.3%	1.0%
Electricity, gas & water supply	50	1%	2%	1%
Construction	454	9%	9%	9%
Wholesale & retail	849	17%	13%	15%
Transport & storage	395	8%	5%	5%
Accommodation & food services	303	6%	4%	5%
Information & communication	138	3%	5%	5%
Financial services	115	2%	5%	4%
Business Services	562	11%	14%	14%
Public Services	1,378	27%	30%	30%
Other Services	149	3%	4%	5%
All in Employment	5,027			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Employed in Manufacturing in Solihull March 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

Claimant Count Unemployment

As at August 2023 635 people in Chelmsley Wood were in receipt of unemployment benefit. This equates to a claimant unemployment rate of 7.9%, much higher than the Solihull (3.2%) and England (3.8%) averages. Chelmsley Wood has the highest claimant unemployment rate among the 17 Solihull wards.

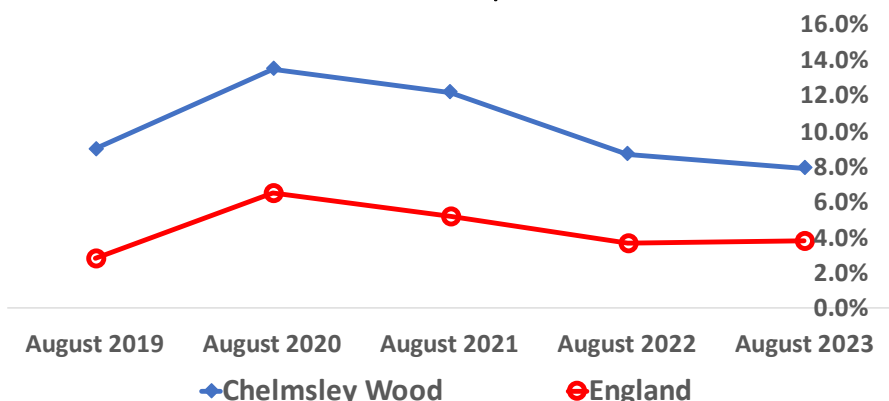
Claimant Unemployment Rate in Solihull August 2023



Source: ONS/NOMIS

The claimant unemployment has fluctuated over recent years following the onset on the Covid-19 pandemic in early 2020. Claimant unemployment in Chelmsley Wood has been consistently higher than England but rose from 9.0% in August 2019 to 13.5% a year later. It has subsequently trended downwards and in August 2023 was over a percentage point lower than the corresponding point in 2019.

Trend in Claimant Unemployment Rate in Chelmsley Wood



Source: ONS/NOMIS

Resident Qualifications

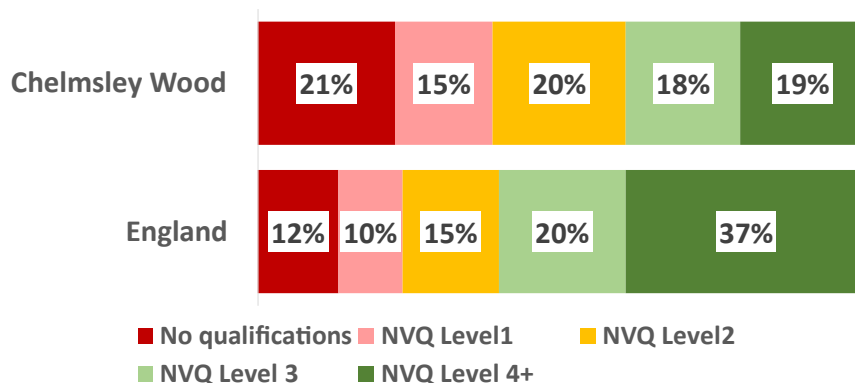
Working age Chelmsley Wood residents tend to have lower levels of formal qualifications than the benchmarks. For instance, just 19% of Chelmsley Wood residents (1,537 individuals) had NVQ level 4+ qualifications in March 2021 compared to 40% of the Solihull population and 37% of people in England.

At the other end of the spectrum more Chelmsley Wood residents aged 16-64 have either no qualifications (21% vs 11% Solihull, 12% England) or NVQ level 1 qualifications (15% vs 10% Solihull, 10% England) than benchmark averages.

Formal Qualifications of Working Age Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Qualifications	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% 16-64 Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
No qualifications	1,693	21%	11%	12%
NVQ Level1	1,209	15%	10%	10%
NVQ Level2	1,645	20%	16%	15%
NVQ Level 3	1,412	18%	19%	20%
NVQ Level 4+	1,537	19%	40%	37%
Other	529	7%	5%	6%
16-64 Population	8,025			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Formal Qualification Levels of Chelmsley Wood Population Aged 16 – 64 Years 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

Health and Care

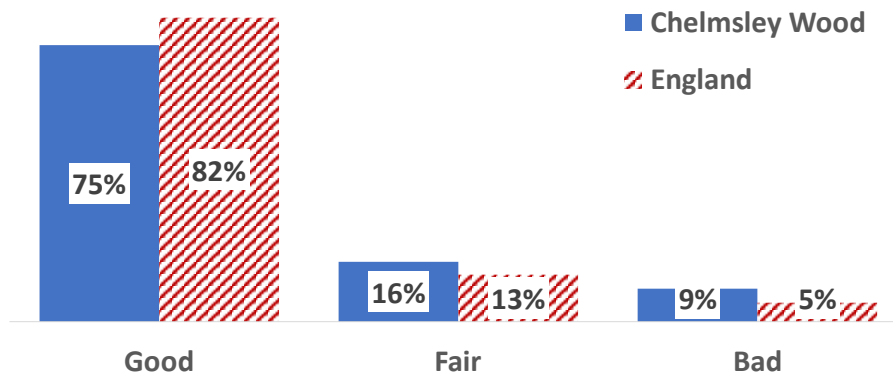
General Health, Disability and Unpaid Care

A large majority of people in Chelmsley Wood say that their health is good (42% very good, 33% good) while just 9% say that their health is bad (7% bad, 2% very bad). However, self-reported general health in Chelmsley Wood is worse than that of the population of England.

General Health of Population in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
General Health	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Very good health	5,579	42%	49%	48%
Good health	4,363	33%	33%	34%
Fair health	2,153	16%	12%	13%
Bad health	921	7%	4%	4%
Very bad health	260	2%	1%	1%
Total Population	13,276			

Source: ONS Census 2021

General Health of Chelmsley Wood Population 2021



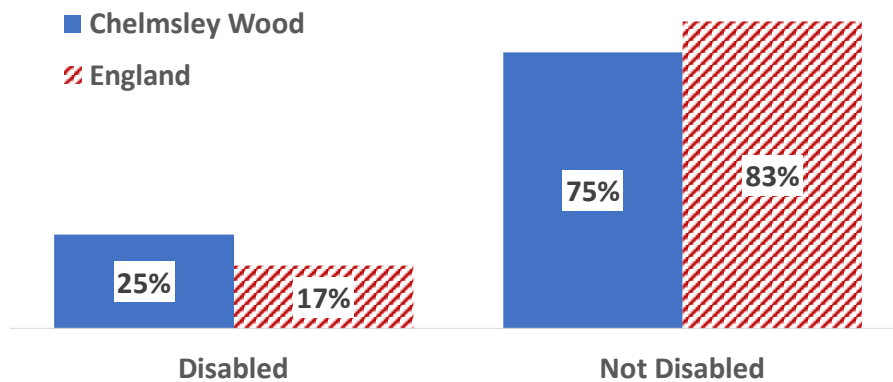
Source: ONS Census 2021

The population of Chelmsley Wood are more likely to have a long-term physical or mental health condition than the population of England (25% vs 17%) although a large majority are not disabled (75%).

Disability in Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Disability	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Day-to-day activities limited a lot	1,629	12%	7%	7%
Day-to-day activities limited a little	1,734	13%	10%	10%
Has long term physical or mental health condition but day-to-day activities are not limited	723	5%	7%	7%
No long term physical or mental health conditions	9,190	69%	76%	76%
Total Population	13,276			

Source: ONS Census 2021

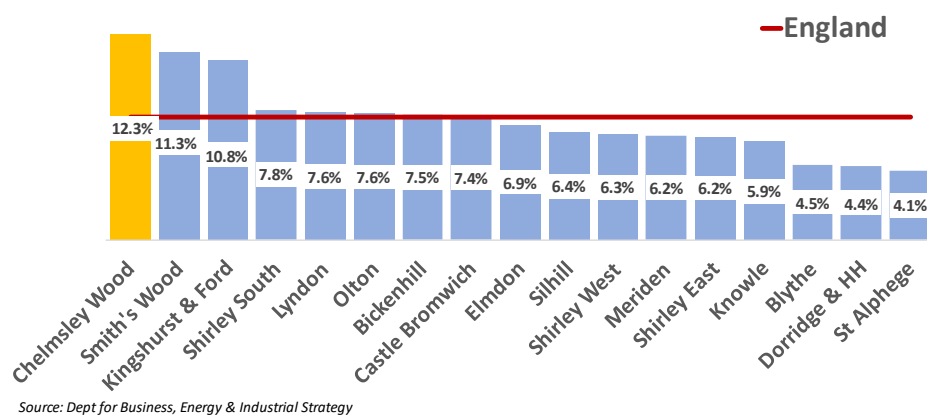
Disability in Chelmsley Wood Population 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

12% of the Chelmsley Wood population (1,629 individuals) say that their day-to-day activities are limited a lot by a long-term health condition compared to the England average of 7%. This is the highest rate in the borough and reflects the greater probability of disability in North Solihull.

Life Limited a Lot by Long – Term Health Condition Solihull Population 2021

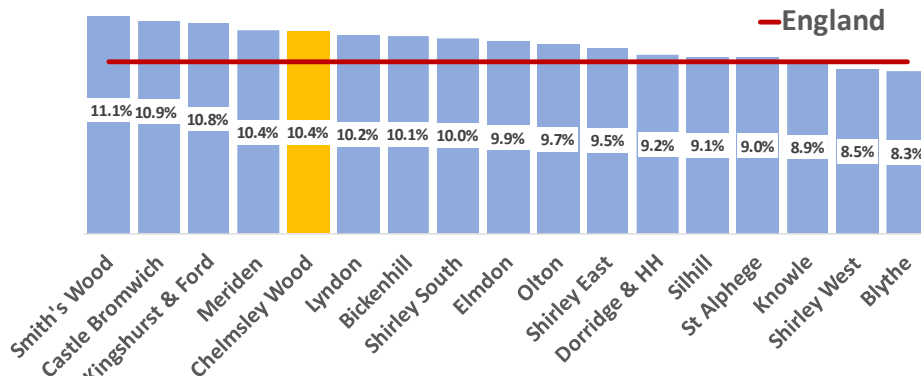


Just over 10% of the Chelmsley Wood population (1,269 individuals) provide unpaid care to a friend or relative compared to 90% who provide no care (10,966 individuals). This is broadly in-line with the Solihull and England averages.

Provision of Unpaid Care in Chelmsley Wood Population 2021				
Care Provided	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Population		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Provides no unpaid care	10,966	90%	90%	91%
Provides 9 hours or less care	273	2%	4%	3%
Provides 10 to 19 care	141	1%	1%	1%
Provides 20 to 34 care	129	1%	1%	1%
Provides 35 to 49 hours care	204	2%	1%	1%
Provides 50+ hours care	522	4%	3%	3%
Total Population	12,235			

Source: ONS Census 2021

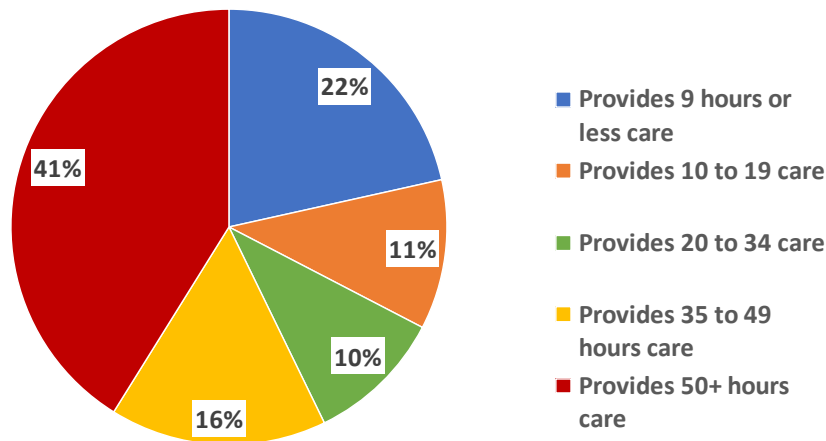
Provision of Unpaid Care in Solihull 2021



Source: Dept for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

22% of the Chelmsley Wood population who provide unpaid care do so for nine hours or less per week (273 individuals). At the other end of the spectrum 41% (522 individuals) provide 50 hours or more care per week. Chelmsley Wood carers are more likely to care for 50 hours+ per week than carers across England (41% vs 30%).

Provision of Unpaid Care in Chelmsley Wood 2021



Life Expectancy

Life expectancy at birth is an estimate of the average number of years a new-born baby would survive if he or she experienced the age-specific mortality rates for that area. As such it is a useful summary measure of all-cause mortality and a proxy for the overall health of an area.

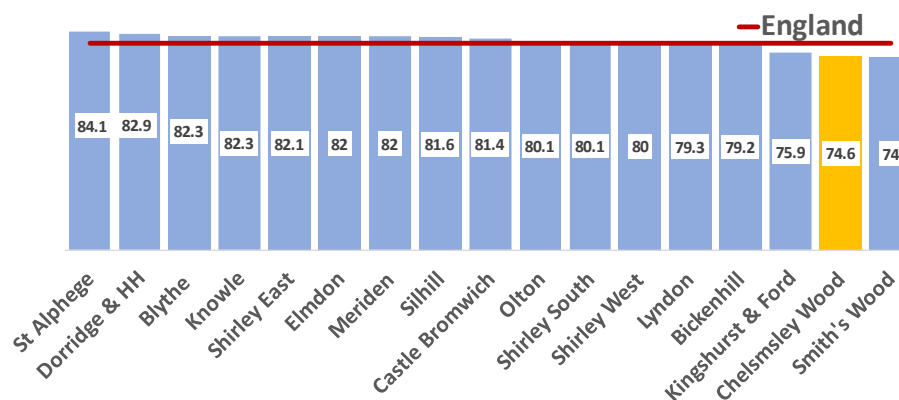
Life expectancy in Chelmsley Wood is significantly lower than the England average for both males and females and is in among the worst in Solihullⁱ.

ⁱ Shading used in all OHID health tables denotes statistical significance: green=statistically better than in England; yellow=in-line with England average; red=statistically worse than England.

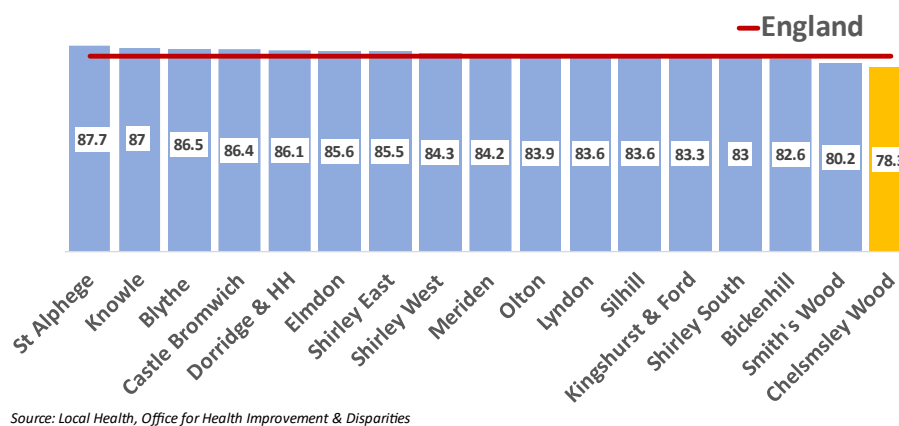
Life Expectancy at Birth (Years) in Chelmsley Wood 2016 to 2020			
	Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Male	74.6	80.2	79.5
Female	78.3	84.1	83.2

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Male Life Expectancy in Solihull 2016 to 2020



Female Life Expectancy in Solihull 2016 to 2020

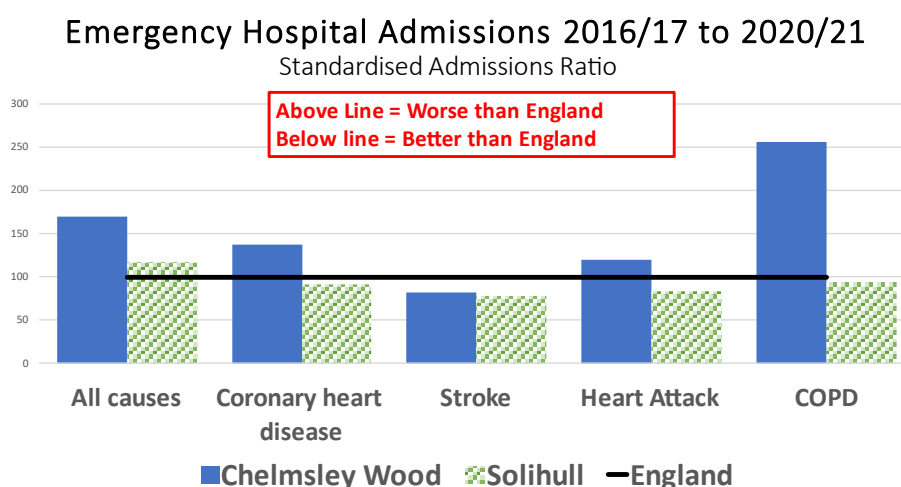


Hospital Admissions

The table below shows that rate of standardised age emergency hospital admissions in Chelmsley Wood for various health conditions relative to the England average of 100. Like Solihull as a whole emergency admissions for all causes are significantly more common than across England (169,8 vs 100). Furthermore, the rate of admissions in Chelmsley Wood for coronary heart disease and COPD are also significantly higher.

Emergency Admissions to Hospital in Chelmsley Wood 2016/17 to 2020/21		
<i>This is an age standard admissions ratio where England = 100. A SAR over 100 indicates that admissions are more common than England, a SAR below 100 indicates that admissions are less common than England</i>		
	Chelmsley Wood SAR	Solihull SAR
All causes	169.8	117.5
Coronary heart disease	136.8	90.9
Stroke	82.2	78.3
Heart Attack	119.9	83.6
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)	256.5	93.6

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities



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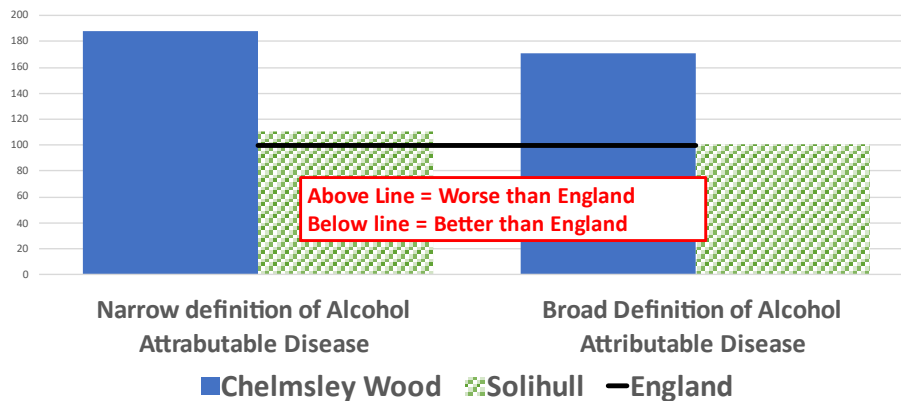
Alcohol consumption is a contributing factor to hospital admissions and deaths from a diverse range of conditions. Alcohol misuse is measured by hospital admissions for diseases attributable to alcohol. Using both a narrow and broad definition of diseases attributable to alcohol the rate in Chelmsley Wood is significantly higher than the England average.

Admissions due to Alcohol Misuse in Chelmsley Wood 2016/17 to 2020/21		
<i>This is an age standard admissions ratio where England = 100. An SAR over 100 indicates that incidence is more common than England, an SAR below 100 indicates that incidence is less common than England</i>		
	Chelmsley Wood SAR	Solihull SAR
Alcohol attributable conditions (narrow definition)	188.1	110.1
Alcohol attributable conditions (broad definition)	170.5	100.3

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Admissions for Alcohol 2016/17 to 2020/21

Standardised Admissions Ratio



Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Cancer Incidence

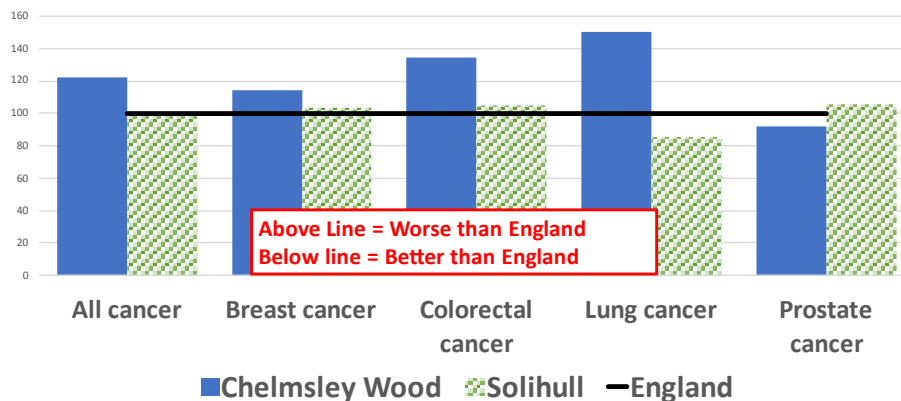
The incidence of cancer (defined by the number of new cases) in Chelmsley Wood is higher than the England average but the difference is not classified as statistically significant. However, the lung cancer incidence rate is significantly higher.

Incidence of Cancer in Chelmsley Wood 2015 to 2019		
<i>This is an age standard incidence ratio where England = 100. An SIR over 100 indicates that incidence is more common than England, an SIR below 100 indicates that incidence is less common than England</i>		
	Chelmsley Wood SIR	Solihull SIR
All cancer	122.5	98.6
Breast cancer	114.4	103.2
Colorectal cancer	134.3	105.1
Lung cancer	150.6	85.4
Prostate cancer	91.7	105.4

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Incidence of Cancer 2015 to 2019

Standardised Incidence Ratio



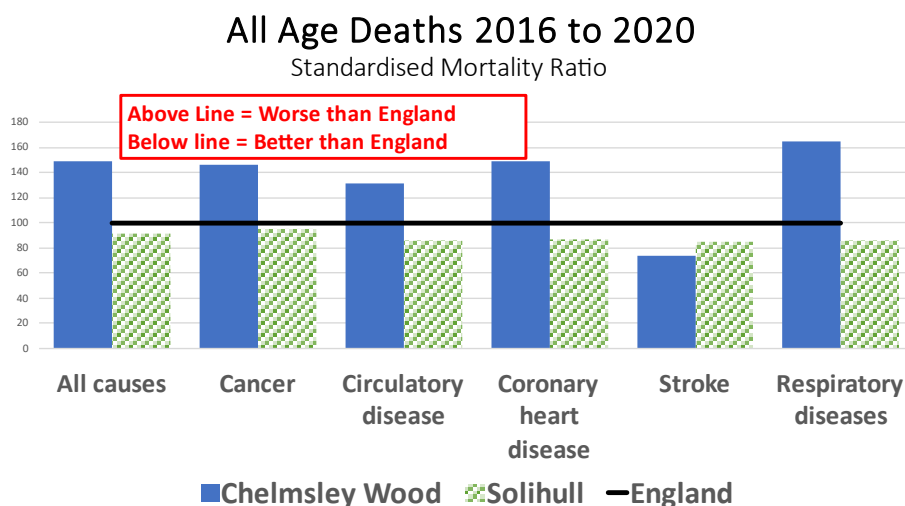
Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Causes of Mortality

All age mortality in Chelmsley Wood is significantly higher than the England average, as are deaths from cancer, circulatory disease, coronary heart disease and respiratory diseases. However, cancer mortality in Chelmsley Wood is significantly lower than England. Deaths from stroke are less common than across England, but the difference in the rate cannot be considered statistically significant.

All Age Deaths in Chelmsley Wood 2016 to 2020		
<i>This is an age standard mortality ratio where England = 100. A SMR over 100 indicates that deaths are more common than England, a SMR below 100 indicates that deaths are less common than England</i>		
	Chelmsley Wood SMR	Solihull SMR
All causes	149	91.6
Cancer	146.5	95.1
Circulatory disease	130.9	86.1
Coronary heart disease	148.7	86.8
Stroke	73.8	85.2
Respiratory diseases	164.8	85.6

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities



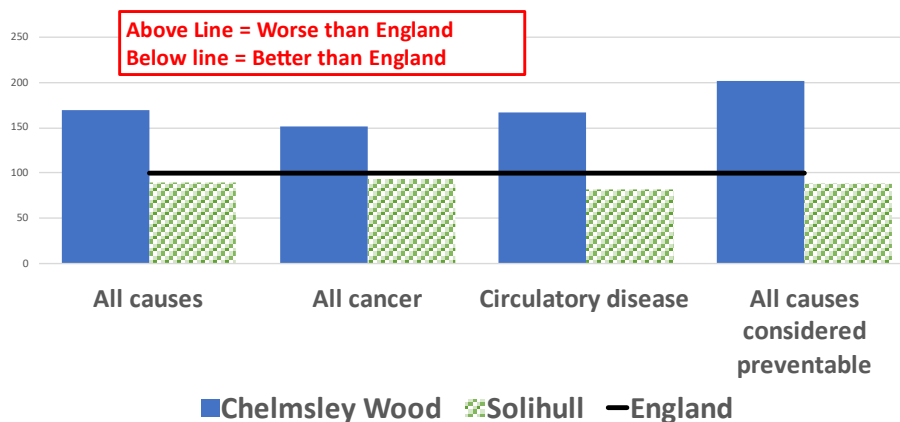
Premature mortality (deaths under the age of 75 years) is significantly more common in Chelmsley Wood than across England as are early deaths from cancer, circulatory disease and all causes considered preventable.

Premature and Preventable Deaths (under 75 years) in Chelmsley Wood 2016 to 2020		
<i>This is an age standard mortality ratio where England = 100. A SMR over 100 indicates that deaths are more common than England, a SMR below 100 indicates that deaths are less common than England</i>		
	Chelmsley Wood SMR	Solihull SMR
All causes	169.5	89.9
All cancer	151.9	93.5
Circulatory disease	166.6	81.3
All causes considered preventable	201.3	88.6

Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

All Premature & Preventable Deaths 2016 to 2020

Standardised Mortality Ratio



Source: Local Health, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Housing and Transport

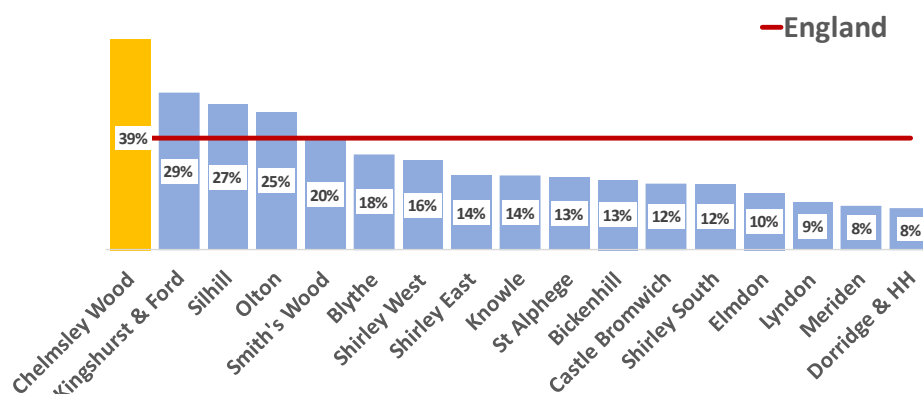
Accommodation Type

61% of Chelmsley Wood households live in a house (3,557 households) and 39% in a flat (2,246 households). Among the 17 Solihull wards Chelmsley Wood has by far the highest proportion of households living in a flat.

Accommodation Type in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Tenure	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Detached Housing	242	4%	28%	23%
Semi-Detached Housing	1,272	22%	37%	31%
Terraced Housing	2,043	35%	16%	23%
Flats	2,246	39%	17%	21%
Other	21	0.4%	1%	2%
All Households	5,824			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Households Living in a Flat in Solihull 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

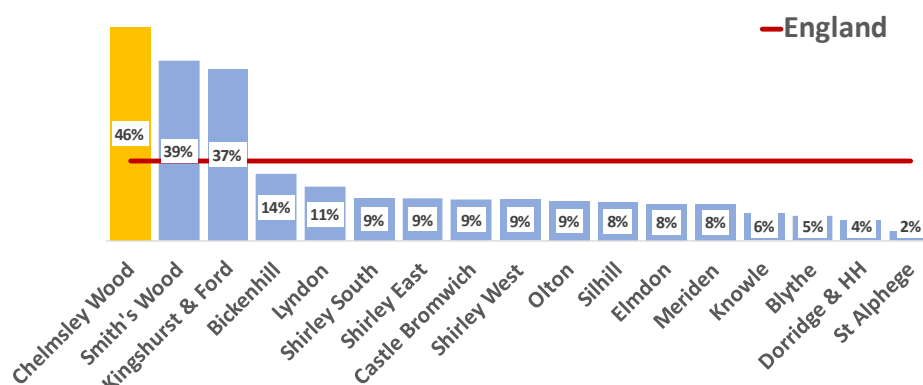
Tenure

42% of Chelmsley Wood households own (or part own) their own home either outright or through a mortgage (2,425 households). Renting is far more common in Chelmsley Wood (3,385 households, 58% of total) than across England (38%) or Solihull (27%). More households in Chelmsley Wood rent socially (46%) than anywhere else in the borough.

Tenure in Chelmsley Wood 2021				
Tenure	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Owned or Shared Ownership	2,425	42%	73%	62%
Social rented	2,657	46%	14%	17%
Private rented or lives rent free	742	13%	13%	21%
All Households	5,824			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Social Renting in Solihull 2021



Source: ONS Census 2021

Overcrowding

Household overcrowding is assessed by comparing the number of people in a household against the number of bedrooms that they require based on the bedroom standard which determines that adults, children over 16 and children between 10 and 15 of a different sex are entitled to their own bedroom. Overcrowding occurs when the number of bedrooms in the accommodation is less than the number required under this bedroom standard.

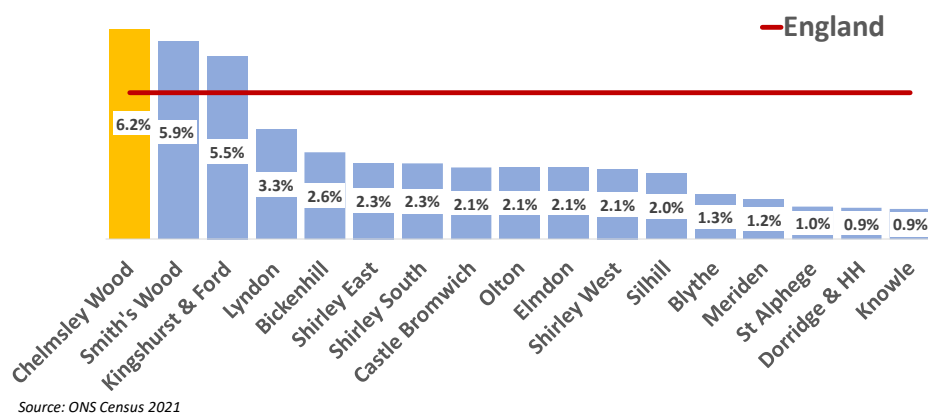
A small majority of households in Chelmsley Wood have at least one spare bedroom and are considered under-utilised (52%, 3,046 households), although this is less common than across Solihull and England. Although just 6% of Chelmsley Wood households are overcrowded this is more than the England average (4%) and the highest rate in Solihull.

Overcrowding in Chelmsley Wood (Bedroom Standard) 2021				
Bedroom Occupation	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
Under utilised	3,046	52%	76%	69%
Ideal Occupation	2,415	41%	22%	27%
Overcrowded	364	6%	3%	4%
All Households	5,825			

Source: ONS Census 2021

Overcrowded households in Solihull 2021

(Based on Number of Bedrooms)



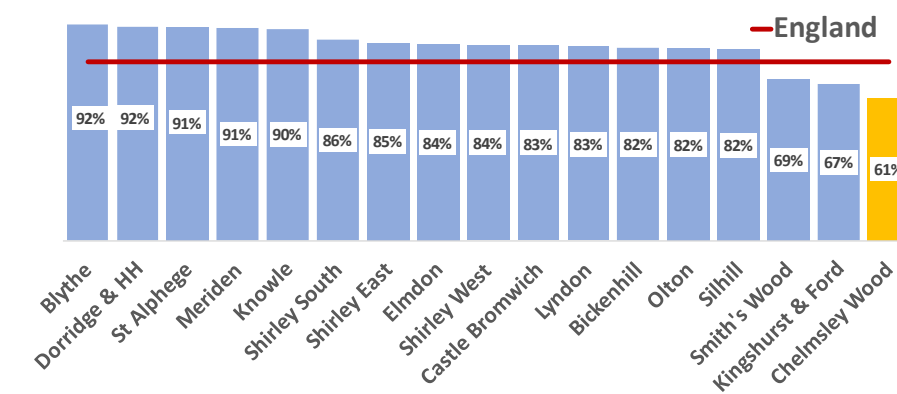
Access to Car or Van

82% of Solihull households have a car or van (4,280 households) including 43% (2,226 households) that have more than one. Car or van ownership, including multiple ownership is less common in Chelmsley Wood than the England average (61% of households including 20% multiple).

With the exception of the three North Solihull wards all Solihull wards have higher levels of car or van ownership than the England average.

Chelmsley Wood Households with a car or van 2021				
Car/van access	Number in Chelmsley Wood	% Households		
		Chelmsley Wood	Solihull	England
No car or van access	2,262	39%	18%	24%
Car or van access	3,562	61%	82%	76%
<i>Number of cars or vans per household</i>				
1 car or van	2,397	41%	39%	41%
2 cars or vans	907	16%	32%	26%
3+ cars or vans	258	4%	11%	9%
All Households	5,824			
<i>Source: ONS Census 2021</i>				

Households with access to a car or van in Solihull 2021



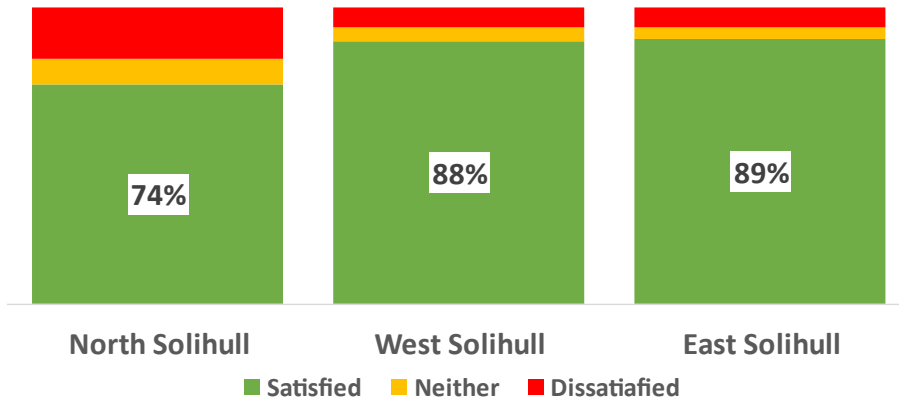
Source: ONS Census 2021

Community and Safety

Community Satisfaction and Belonging

The majority of Solihull respondents to the 2022 Place Survey say that they are satisfied with their local area as a place to live (84%) with just 10% saying that they are dissatisfied. Levels of satisfaction are high across all three Solihull localities and in West Solihull 88% are satisfied and 7% dissatisfied.

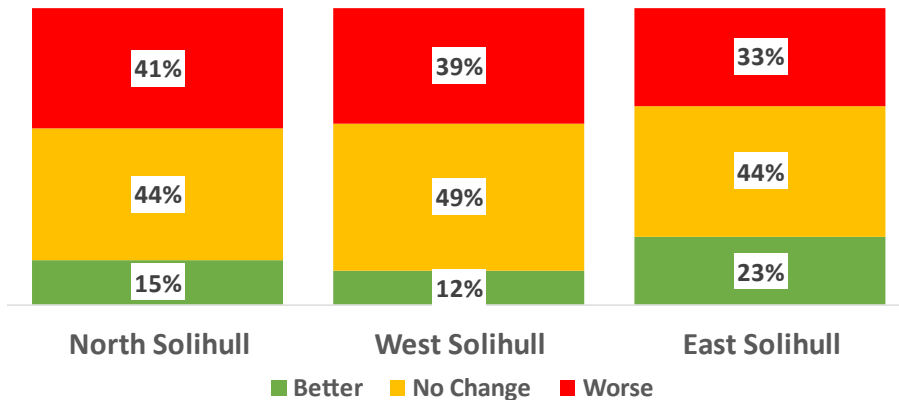
Satisfaction with local area as place to live



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

The majority of Solihull respondents to the 2022 Place Survey thought that their local area had remained the same or got worse over the two preceding years (85%), including 38% who thought that their local area got worse over this period. The results do not vary greatly across localities with North Solihull closely mirroring the Solihull average.

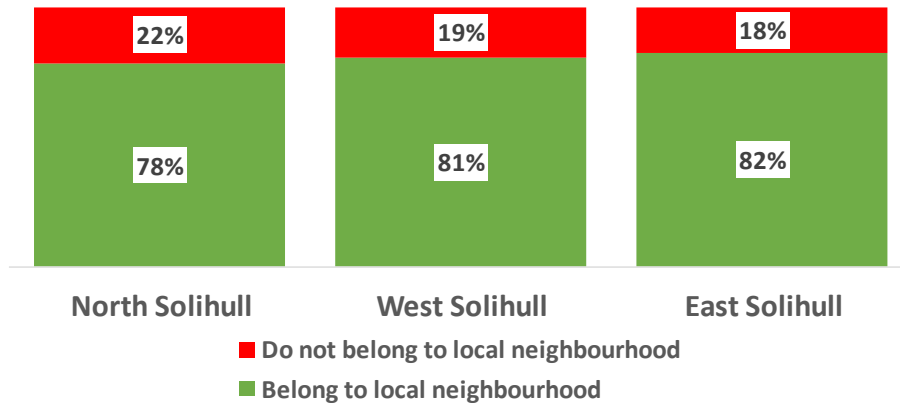
How has local area changed in last 2 years



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

82% of respondents to the 2022 Place Survey feel that they belong to their local neighbourhood while 20% do not. Feelings of community belonging vary little across Solihull with North Solihull only slightly lower than the borough average.

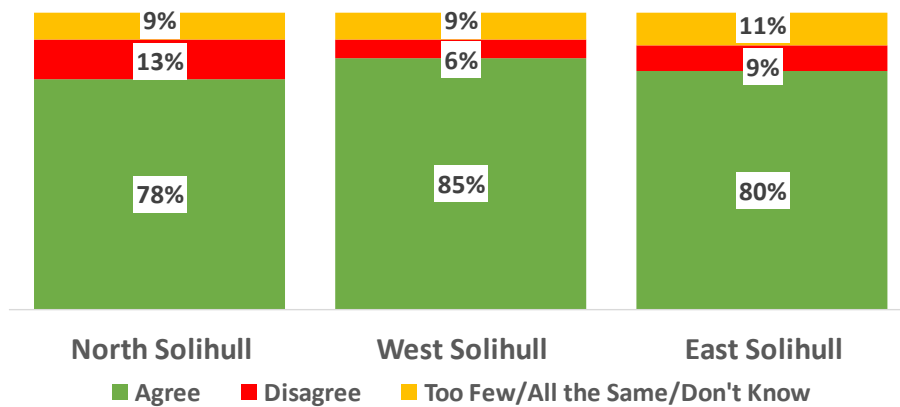
To what extent does respondent feel they belong to local neighbourhood



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

Despite significant demographic changes and increasing ethnic and religious diversity Solihull remains a cohesive borough. 82% of respondents agree that people from a different background get on well together in their local area, with just 9% disagreeing. Cohesion is high throughout Solihull although slightly fewer North Solihull respondents feel that people from a different background get on well together than other Solihull localities.

People from a different background get on well together in local area

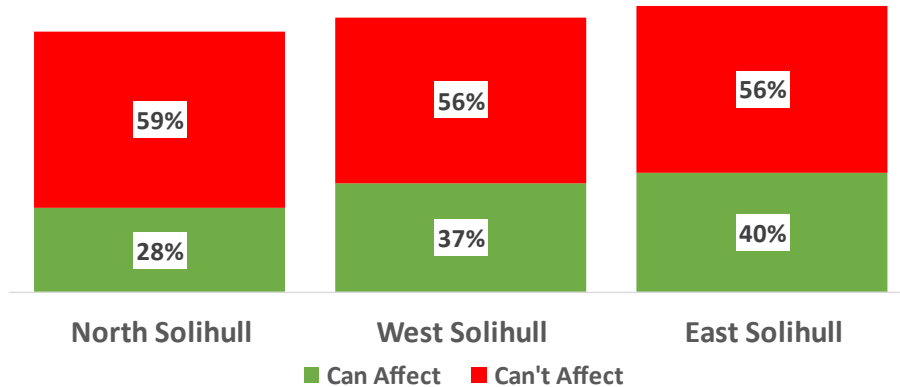


Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

Civic Participation

35% of respondents to the 2022 Solihull Place Survey say that they can influence decisions that affect their local area while 57% do not feel they can influence decisions. Fewer people in North Solihull feel they can influence decisions than elsewhere in the borough (28%).

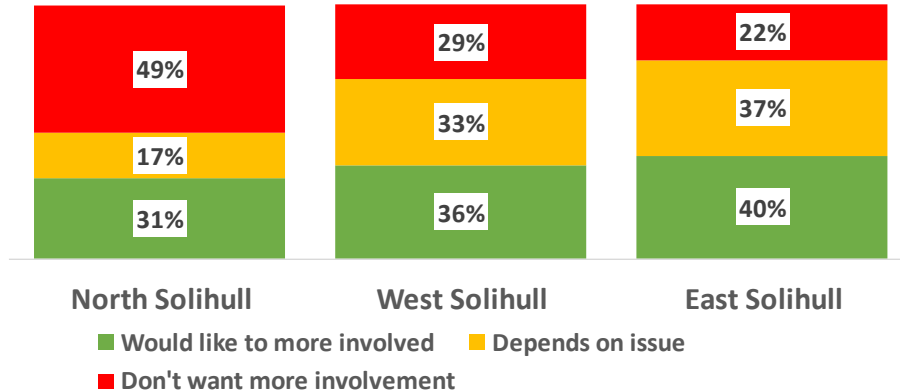
To what extent do you feel able to influence decisions that affect your local area



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

Despite the fact that 57% of respondents to the 2022 Solihull Place Survey say that they cannot influence local decisions only 36% say that they would definitely like more involvement with 33% saying that they definitely do not want to be involved. The results for this measure do vary across the borough and in North Solihull 49% say that they do not want more involvement far higher than in other Solihull localities.

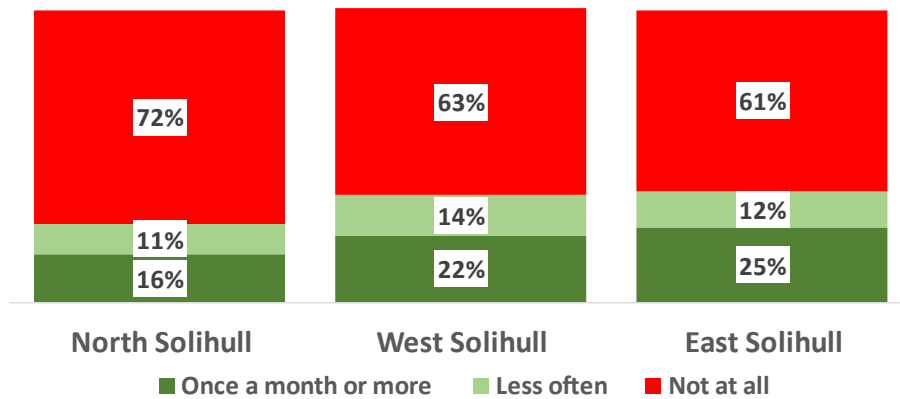
Would like to be more involved in local decisions



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

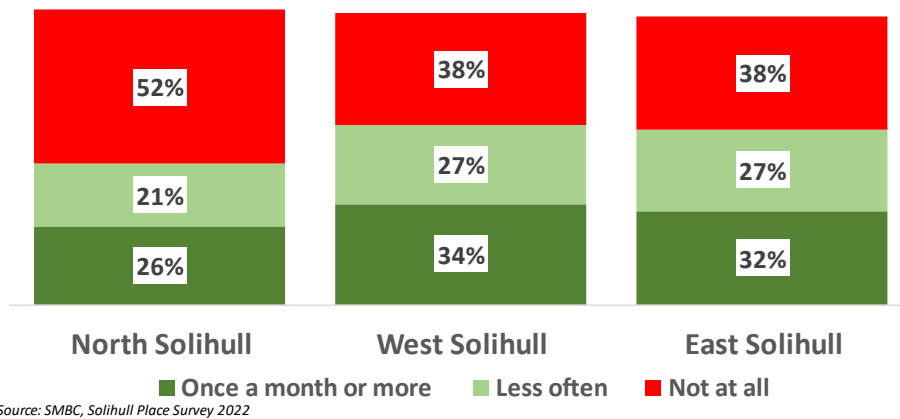
On average 34% of respondents to the 2022 Solihull Place Survey say that they have taken part in formal volunteering (defined as unpaid help to any group, club or organisation such as sports coaching or supporting a faith organisation) over the last year, including 21% who volunteer at least once a month. Participation in North Solihull is low, with a participation rate of just 27%.

Have taken part in formal volunteering in last year



On average 57% of respondents to the 2022 Solihull Place Survey say that they have provided informal help in their local community or to a neighbour over the last year, including 32% who have done so at least once a month. Participation in North Solihull is low, with a participation rate of just 47%.

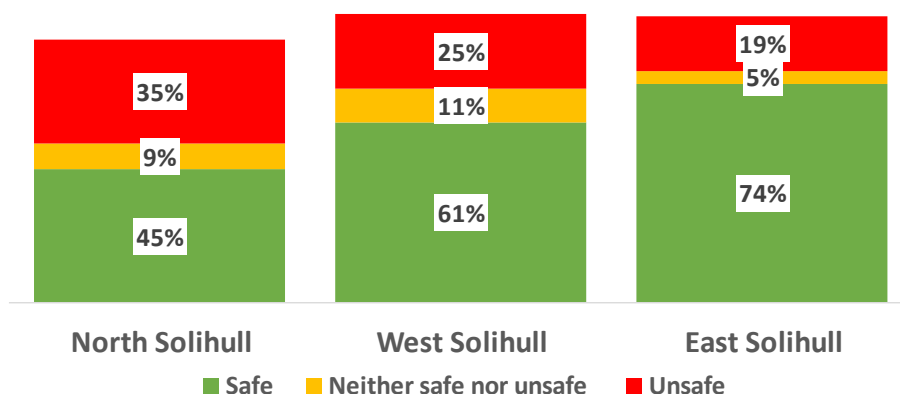
Have taken part in informal volunteering in last year



Community Safety

59% of Solihull respondents to the 2022 Place Survey say that they feel safe after dark whereas 27% feel unsafe. There is a significant difference between North Solihull and the rest of the borough on this measure, with just 45% of North Solihull residents feeling safe after dark compared to an average of 64% across the rest of the borough.

Feeling safe after dark in local area

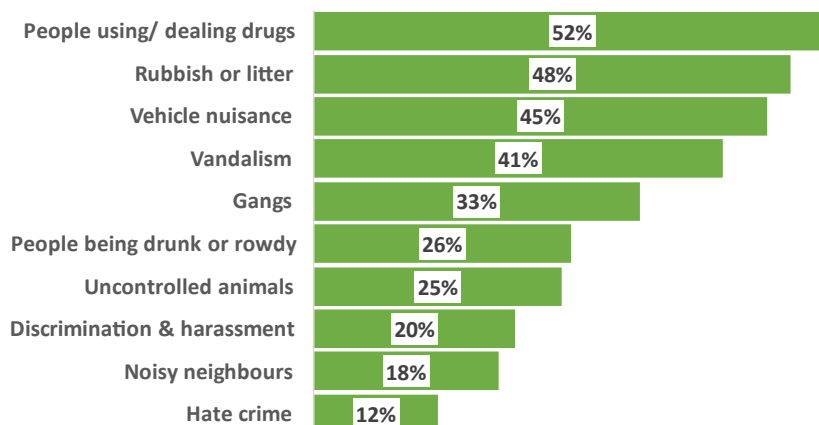


Respondents to the 2022 Solihull Place Survey were asked which of 10 types of antisocial behaviour were a problem in their local area. The most commonly cited problem in North Solihull was people using or dealing drugs (52% of respondents) followed by rubbish & litter (48%), vehicle nuisance (45%) and vandalism (41%). Each type of ASB was considered a problem by more North Solihull respondents than the Solihull average.

Problem with Anti-Social Behaviour in Local Area		
ASB Type	North Solihull	Solihull
Discrimination, harassment or intimidation	20%	14%
Noisy neighbours or loud parties	18%	11%
Vehicle nuisance, like joyriding, abandoned cars etc	45%	32%
Gangs hanging around the streets	33%	22%
Uncontrolled animals or dog mess	25%	15%
People using or dealing drugs	52%	28%
People being drunk or rowdy in public places	26%	15%
Vandalism, graffiti & other deliberate damage to property or vehicles	41%	26%
Rubbish or litter lying around	48%	34%
Hate crime	12%	8%

Source: Solihull Place Survey 2022

Problem with ASB in North Solihull



Source: SMBC, Solihull Place Survey 2022

Crime Deprivation

Chelmsley Wood’s nine LSOAs are, on average, ranked on the 16th percentile nationally in terms of crime & disorder deprivation, with the 17 Solihull wards ranging from the crime & disorder deprived Kingshurst & Fordbridge (15th percentile) to the advantaged Knowle (85th percentile).

Ward	Average Crime & Disorder Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	15
Chelmsley Wood	16
Smith's Wood	25
Castle Bromwich	35
Shirley West	42
Lyndon	44
Bickenhill	48
Olton	58
Elmdon	62
Silhill	64
Shirley East	65
Meriden	71
Blythe	72
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	78
Shirley South	78
St Alphege	81
Knowle	85

Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019

Crime & disorder deprivation among the nine Chelmsley Wood LSOAs ranges from Alcott Wood on the 4th percentile to the least deprived neighbourhood Bacon’s End on the 46th percentile. Only two Chelmsley Wood LSOA are in the most deprived 10% of neighbourhoods in England.

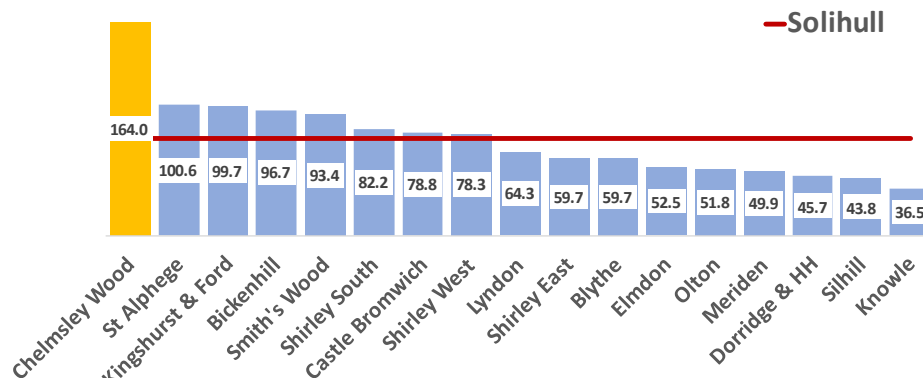
Crime & Disorder Rank in Chelmsley Wood 2019	
LSOA	Crime & Disorder Percentile Rank (1=most deprived, 100=least deprived)
Alcott Wood	4.4
Bluebell	6.8
Cole Valley	11.9
Chelmsley Wood Town Centre	13.3
Windy Arbor	13.5
Coleshill Heath North	14.5
Yorkminster	16.8
Craig Croft South	23.1
Bacon's End	45.7
<i>Source: English Indices of Deprivation 2019</i>	

Reported Crime and Antisocial Behaviour

The table below shows the number of recorded crimes in the year to date (January-November 15th 2023). There have been 2,183 crimes in Chelmsley Wood, 13.4% of the Solihull total and equating to 164.0 per 1,000 population. This is more than double the Solihull average of 74.7 per 1,000 and by far the highest rate in the borough.

Reported Crimes in 2023			
Ward	Number of Reported Crimes	% Reported Crimes	Crimes per 1,000 Population
Bickenhill	1,242	7.6%	96.7
Blythe	880	5.4%	59.7
Castle Bromwich	889	5.5%	78.8
Chelmsley Wood	2,183	13.4%	164.0
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	524	3.2%	45.7
Elmdon	669	4.1%	52.5
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	1,354	8.3%	99.7
Knowle	412	2.5%	36.5
Lyndon	893	5.5%	64.3
Meriden	636	3.9%	49.9
Olton	665	4.1%	51.8
Shirley East	724	4.5%	59.7
Shirley South	1,030	6.3%	82.2
Shirley West	1,010	6.2%	78.3
Silhill	545	3.4%	43.8
Smith's Wood	1,207	7.4%	93.4
St Alphege	1,393	8.6%	100.6
Solihull [^]	16,256		74.7
[^] Solihull total includes 861 crimes attributed to Airport/NEC (5% total)			
<i>Source: West Midlands Police</i>			

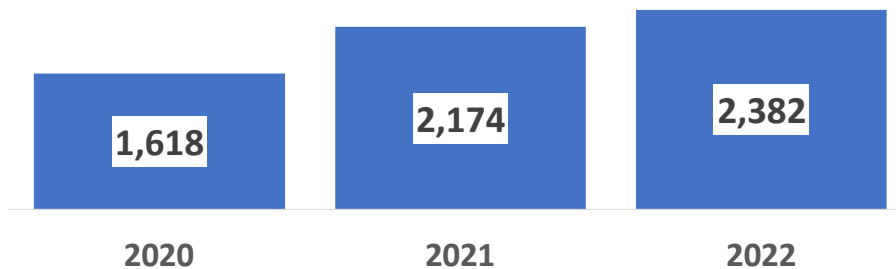
Reported Crimes per 1,000 Population in Solihull 2023



Source: West Midlands Police

The number of reported crimes in Chelmsley Wood trended upwards from 2020 to 2022, increasing by 47% (+764 crimes over this period). However, proportionally this is only a slightly bigger increase than the 41% increase recorded across Solihull as a whole.

Annual Reported Number of Crimes Chelmsley Wood



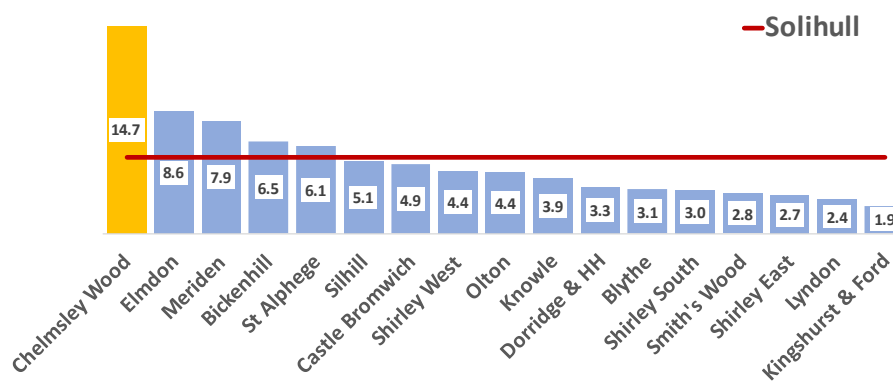
Source: West Midlands Police

The table below shows the number of recorded antisocial behaviour (ASB) incidents in the year to date (January-November 15th 2023). There have been 195 ASB incidents in Chelmsley Wood, 16.6% of the Solihull total and equating to 14.7 per 1,000 population. This is nearly three times the Solihull average of 5.4 per 1,000 and by far the highest rate in the borough.

Reported Antisocial Behaviour Incidents in 2023			
Ward	Number of Reported ASB	% ASB	ASB per 1,000 Population
Bickenhill	83	7.1%	6.5
Blythe	46	3.9%	3.1
Castle Bromwich	55	4.7%	4.9
Chelmsley Wood	195	16.6%	14.7
Dorridge & Hockley Heath	38	3.2%	3.3
Elmdon	110	9.4%	8.6
Kingshurst & Fordbridge	26	2.2%	1.9
Knowle	44	3.7%	3.9
Lyndon	34	2.9%	2.4
Meriden	101	8.6%	7.9
Olton	56	4.8%	4.4
Shirley East	33	2.8%	2.7
Shirley South	38	3.2%	3.0
Shirley West	57	4.9%	4.4
Silhill	64	5.5%	5.1
Smith's Wood	36	3.1%	2.8
St Alphege	85	7.2%	6.1
Solihull	1,174		5.4

Source: West Midlands Police

Reported ASB per 1,000 Population in Solihull 2023



Local Assets and Services

My Solihull maps provide access to information about the local community including places to go and things to do. Users can search on groups appropriate for a specific budget or age group or to look for specialists in disability or mental health support. Information on defined areas of interest such as sports and physical activity clubs and facilities can also be found. My Solihull Maps can be accessed via the link below.

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