Northern Corridor Community Profile

The Northern Corridor Community board is made up of two wards – Stepps, Chryston and Muirhead and Gartcosh, Glenboig and Moodiesburn, 30 datazones and 6 intermediate datazones.

Population

The 2019 population for the Northern Corridor Community Board area was 26,294.

Age group as % of total population			
	Northern Corridor	NLC	Scotland
0-15	20.3%	18.4%	16.9%
16-64	63.9%	64.3%	64.0%
65+	15.7%	17.3%	19.1%

The structure of the population is younger than the average across North Lanarkshire, with 20.3% of the population aged under 15, this is 18.4% across North Lanarkshire. Conversely, there is a lower proportion of the population aged over 65.

Households and Housing

In 2018, there were 10,943 dwellings¹ in the Northern Corridor area,

- Around 31% of those occupied households were single adult households much lower than the North Lanarkshire average of 40%
- 1.4% of the properties in the area are empty or vacant
- 56% of the housing stock are detached or semi-detached properties
- Flats account for 25% of the properties in Stepps, Chryston and Muirhead ward.
- 77% of the housing stock is owner occupied, above the national average of 63%. In Stepps, Chryston and Muirhead ward, 81% of the stock is owner occupied.
- 19% of properties are rented from the council in Gartcosh, Glenboig, and Moodiesburn this compares to 9% across North Lanarkshire and 14 % across Scotland.

Labour Market

The graph below shows the number and proportion of working age adults claiming unemployment benefits in April 2020.

Both wards have a lower rate of unemployment claimants than seen across North Lanarkshire and Scotland. The claimant count rate in the Stepps, Chryston and Muirhead ward is 1.4 percentage points below the Scottish and 2 percentage points below the current North Lanarkshire figure.



Deprivation

- In the Northern Corridor, 8 of the 30 datazones have a higher percentage of income deprivation than the Scottish average of 12% and 6 are above the council average of 15%
- Across the community board, around 2,133 people are income deprived, 8% of the board population
- 1,127 working age people are employment deprived, equating to 7% of that population group, this is 11% across North Lanarkshire and 9% in Scotland
- All primary schools in the Northern Corridor Community Board area have a lower percentage of pupils in years P4-P7 receiving free school meals than the North Lanarkshire (19%) and Scottish averages (17%)
- Chryston High School, the only secondary school in the area is also below the North Lanarkshire average for secondary schools (14%)



The maps below show levels of education deprivation across the board area.

Older People

Attendance Allowance is awarded to people aged 65 and over who need help with personal care and day to day activities. It is a good proxy measure to gauge the health of the older population. In Northern Corridor Community Board, Chryston and Muirhead intermediate datazone has the highest percentage of older people in receipt of Attendance Allowance.





Pension Credit is awarded to older people to bring their weekly income up to a minimum level and is a good indicator to gauge low income levels in the older population. The graph below shows the Northern Corridor community board area sits below the North Lanarkshire average but is greater than the Scottish average of 14%.



Culture

In the Northern Corridor schools in 2018, 35 languages were spoken in the student body of, 3,746 pupils. After English (3,509), the most common languages included:

- Punjabi
- Urdu
- Cantonese
- Polish
- French • Arabic •
- Italian •
- Spanish
- Mandarin •
 - Albanian
- Portuguese •
- Finnish •
- German . Greek •
- Hindi •
- Norwegian
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