

surrey lifelong

learning partnership

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE REPORT

RUNNYMEDE BOROUGH 2010

Wards: Addlestone (largest population), Chertsey, Egham Hythe, Egham Town, Chertsey Meads, Chertsey St Anne, Englefield Green, Englefield Green West, New Haw, Ottershaw, Thorpe, Trumps Green, Virginia Water, Foxhills and Woodham

1. INTRODUCTION

The Borough of Runnymede is predominantly residential with a number of light industries and business parks. It has a high proportion of homeowners but also a higher number than average in the South East of people renting homes from the council and living in other accommodation such as houseboats and caravans. The borough is home to Royal Holloway, University of London, Strode's College and St Peter's Hospital.

Runnymede has the smallest population of the Surrey boroughs, estimated at 81,200¹ and quite a high number of older people. The under **18's conception rate** is rated high in Surrey at 54.7 per 1000 (2004/6) and the teenage parents numbers (June 2009) were the 5th highest in Surrey.

Gypsies and Travellers are estimated to be one of the largest ethnic minorities in Surrey and Lyne is one of largest concentrations with c.130 families. Other particular communities of **foreign nationals** include Polish people, followed by South Africans and US citizens². Between 2002 and 2007 Runnymede saw an increase of 88% of people making National Insurance number registrations (NINo) from other countries compared to an average of 75% in Surrey. The information does not tell us if they are still here, if they were students, professionals or workers needing support.

Runnymede has 9.2% **NEETs** (young people not in education, employment or training), which equates to 97 people³. The highest numbers of NEETs are from Chertsey St Anne's, Egham Hythe and Addlestone North

Runnymede has a total of 12,783 people aged between 17 and 74 years possessing **no qualifications**. In terms of their distribution throughout the borough, the wards with greater concentration of unqualified people are notably Chertsey St Ann's, Egham Hythe, Addlestone North and Bourne side.

In Surrey, Runnymede has the lowest proportion of young people under 16 years of age. Young adults on the other hand, constitute a large proportion of the total population (13.3%)⁴ due in part to the location of the University. This proportion is highest in Surrey and exceeds the English average.

¹ *Population estimate Runnymede Borough Council 2006*

² *The Changing Face of Surrey – a snapshot of inward international migration in 2007 For Surrey County Council by Sian Sangarde-Brown sian.b@ntlworld.com*

³ *2009 data*

⁴ *Working age population (2006) Source: ONS mid-year population estimates*

2. PRIORITY WARDS WITH MULTIPLE NEEDS

Chertsey St Anne's (Super Output Area 006D) is placed at the top of the Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2007 (IMD) for the Education, Skills and Training Deprivation indicator for Surrey and within the top 10% in England and Wales. It has a high proportion of people without qualification; 34% of 16-74 year olds compared with the national average of 8.3%. The IMD overall score for the county places Chertsey St Anne's is 11th in 2007 from 21st in 2004.

This area also has one of the largest groups of under 18 year old mothers⁵, shows a high level of elementary occupation (12.8% compared with 11.8% nationally), and those in employment with no or low qualifications is 32.4% compared to 25.6%. The data suggests that high levels of people are in low skilled work without qualifications. Some of the large traveller showman sites are frequently situated near Chertsey St Anne's.

Further information on Super Output Area 006D

In 2005, key stage 2, 3 and 4 children living in the postcodes making up the superoutput area, no matter what school they attended, scored lowest in the borough. In 2007 at Key Stage 4 point scores were only 206, with the average in Surrey 303 and in England 284.

Adults aged 25-54 with no or low qualifications in the area totalled 61.4%, against a Surrey average of 31%, and an English average of 42%.

The area of Chertsey St Anne's also has a high number of older people, and although Age Concern has many activities in the area, it is still thought that there is a feeling of isolation.

No other areas in Runnymede ranked in the top 20 for Education Skills and Training Deprivation in the 2007 IMD statistics.

Egham Hythe (Super Output Area 003B)

Problems identified by the Haven Children's Centre include worklessness, domestic violence, and many lone parent families. The not in employment education or training (NEET) figures here are a little higher than in other parts of the county. Egham often appears in the top 20 for Surrey NEETs and sometimes Addlestone Bournside demonstrates similar problems.

Addlestone Bournside (Super Output Area 009A) and **Englefield Green West** are 19th and 20th in the Surrey IMD 2007 ranking for income deprivation facing children.

⁵ Source: 2001 Census

3. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

The traveller community remains hard to engage although organisations including Surrey Community Action and the Surrey Traveller Community Relations Forum provide insights and support for encouraging travellers to take up learning. Literacy needs mean that providing written advertising and marketing information is not thought to be the best way of engagement and personal contact through intermediaries is often more successful. Extensive funding and innovative work can be seen in these areas and there is some evidence of engagement.

Engagement in Chertsey St Anne's is a problem as it does not have a community centre for learning and it is thought that many of the parents are in low paid work and not available during the day. The Two Ward Study by Surrey County Council partnership officer Sylvia Carter is revisiting the area and a focus group/survey is planned to ask what can be done to meet the needs of the community. It will be important to ensure that the results of the research will translate into action that engages the area.

Recently Jubilee High School (Addlestone), the nearest Secondary School has greatly improved its GCSE grades. Pyrcroft Grange Primary School in the Chertsey St Anne's SOA area has many traveller children and children with learning difficulties. More parent engagement may be key here.

Jobcentre Plus and therefore Next Step do not have a base in Runnymede meaning residents have to travel to access these services.

4. WHAT'S ON AND WHERE

ADULT AND FAMILY LEARNING CENTRES

- **Runnymede Adult Learning Centre**
Addlestone KT15 2EP
Telephone: 01932 425684
Web: <http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/adultlearning>
Small selection of arts and crafts classes which are mostly fee paying.

LEARNING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND CARERS

- **White Lodge Centre**
Holloway Hill, Chertsey
Telephone: Susan Warwick 01932 567131/577999
Web: <http://www.whitelodgecentre.co.uk/>

The Karten Computer Suite is a purpose built computer facility fully equipped with adaptive equipment to enable less able adults to access computers. Other resources are available within Rendezvous, the recently rebuilt facilities for adults at White Lodge. All courses are available to all physically disabled adults or carers in the North West Surrey area. Strode's College holds IT courses here.

MENTAL HEALTH CLASSES AND GROUPS

- **Virginia Lodge**
Strode's College has an Embroidery course and art classes here
- **Strode's Adult Education Centre**
High Street Egham TW20 9DR
Telephone: 01784 437506
Web: <http://www.strodes.ac.uk>
Email: kshore@strodes.ac.uk

A huge range of courses (some free, some fee-based) take place at the Literary Institute, Egham – including work skills, courses for adults with learning disabilities, BTEC Health and Social Care, BTEC in Children's Care and lots more.

LIBRARIES

- **Libraries** in Runnymede are located in Egham, Chertsey, New Haw and Virginia Water
Telephone: 01483 541518
Web: <http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries>
Email: wendy.griffin@surreycc.gov.uk or libraries@surreycc.gov.uk

LEARNING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

- Chertsey has young mums group, youth projects and youth café open in summer. Learning will be taking place after easter 2010 at The Pavilion, Gogmore Farm Park, Chertsey KT16 9HE
Tel: 07870 858898

LEARNING FOR OLDER PEOPLE

- Chertsey Day Centre has a mobile phone project at present and also a wide range of leisure activities for older people.
Telephone: Penny Shields 01932 425853
Web: <http://acrunnymede.co.uk/>
Email: penny.shields@runnymede.gov.uk and Eleanor Jones Age Concern ejones@acrunnymede.co.uk

CHILDREN'S CENTRES AND SCHOOLS

- Haven Children's Centre
The Hythe School Thorpe Road Staines Surrey TW183HD
Telephone: Jane Perry 01784 452972
Email: haven.centre@hythe.surrey.sch.uk

Learning at The Hythe School includes Parenting Puzzle, a Family Literacy class through Family Learning, St Jude's School BTEC qualification course. The Hythe is also in charge of the Englefield Green newly opened Children's Centre in St Jude's School.

- Chertsey Children's Centre
Pycroft Road, Chertsey, Surrey KT16 9ER

Telephone: Zoe Felix 01932 568758
Email: surestart@chertsey.surrey.sch.uk

Strode's College is working in partnership with Chertsey Children's Centre, offering bite sized learning and courses in literacy and numeracy as well as IT. Special courses run for parents with children have learning difficulties and confidence building with Chrysalis Parenting (Email Karen@chrysalisparenting.co.uk)

- Sayes Court Children Centre
Farm Drive, Addlestone, KT15 1NB
Email: Sam Aylward ccmanager@sayescourt.surrey.sch.uk
Many parent courses and Literacy classes will be held here by Strode's College (from Spring 2010).
- Salesian School
Highfield Road, Chertsey KT16 8BX
Tel: 01932 578 660
Strode's College offer computing and skills for life
- Ongar Place School
Milton Road, Addlestone, Surrey, KT15 1NY
Tel: 01932 842785
Email: info@ongar-place.surrey.sch.uk
Strode's College offer English language literacy classes at this location
- Darley Dene School
Garfield Road, Addlestone, Surrey
Tel: 01932 847674

Brooklands have offered ESOL courses at this school. Two Transition Information Sessions pilots 'How to be a Successful Parent' and 'Everything Dads Need to Know' running to deliver for parents) + through Eikon.

- Fullbrook School
Selsdon Road, New Haw, Addlestone KT15 3HW
Tel: 01932 349 301
Skills for Life and maths courses have been run through Strode's College alongside a transition project through Eikon. ICT classes available.

OTHER CENTRES

MUSEUMS

- Chertsey Museum
The Cedars, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey, Surrey, KT16 8AT
Tel: 01932 565764 Sally Russell
Email: enquiries@chertseymuseum.org.uk.

Courses include programmes for families on Saturday mornings, visiting authors in spring and Monkey event for young children.

UNIVERSITY

- Royal Holloway (University of London)
Egham, Surrey TW20 0EX
Tel: Tanya Popeau or Emm barnes 01784 276367
Email emm.barnes@rhul.ac.uk

Schools Consortium (including Matthew Arnold, Bishop David Brown) provides Higher Education awareness through the enterprise partnership.

Examples of current projects include:

Summer School for students recognised by the Aimhigher project.

Outreach work in primary and secondary schools and visits arranged to the University for these groups and mature students.

In Further Education, developing Science projects but recently expanding outside of Science curriculum to other subjects, e.g. Radio drama project.

SCHOOLS CONFEDERATIONS

Runnymede is divided into three areas; The Chertsey Partnership, The North and the South Confederations.

- Chertsey Partnership
Tel: 01932 840136
Email: Mahafrid Jamooji mjamooji@fsmail.net
- South Confederation of Schools
Tel: Michele Weaver 01932 881777
Email: pm@runnymedesouth.org.uk
- North Confederation
Email: Megan Metcalf Nrlpprojmgr@aol.com

Halls for Hire for Learning or Meetings

Virginia Water Methodist Church
Egham Hythe Methodist Church
United Church of Egham
Hythe Centre
Thorpe Village Hall
Addlestone Community Centre

APPENDIX A: MAP OF RUNNYMEDE BOROUGH

