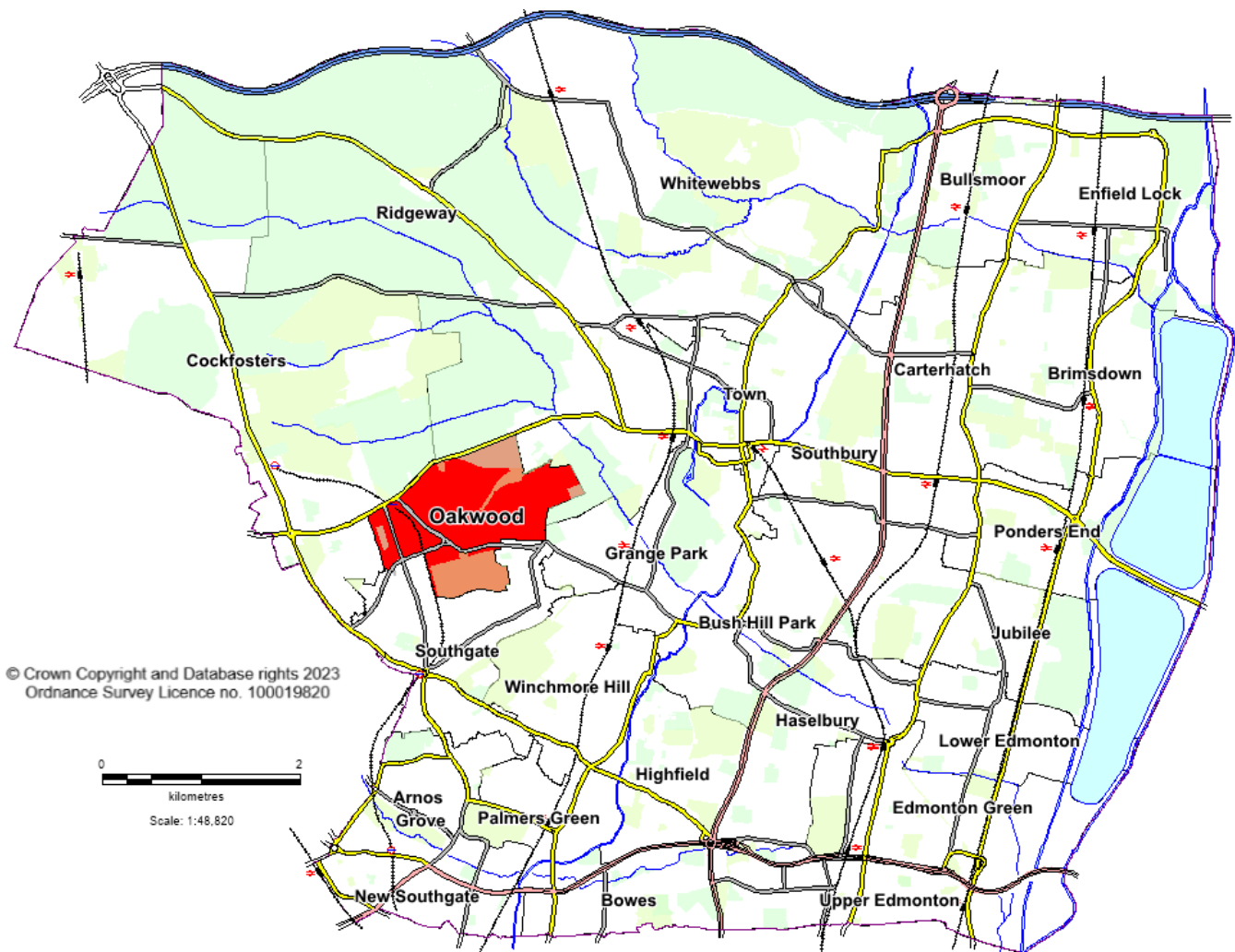


# Ward Profile: Oakwood 2023



Oakwood is a new ward (from 2022). Situated in the west of the borough, it is bordered by the Southgate, Cockfosters, Ridgeway and Grange Park wards.

It is served by the postal districts of N14, N21 and EN2.

The ward falls within the parliamentary constituency of Enfield Southgate.

## Ward Profile: 2023

This profile is intended to provide a guide to the demography, social and economic data and Council facilities in the ward.

At time of writing, not all data is available at ward level for the new ward boundaries (effective from 2022). Some statistics appearing in this document have been aggregated from smaller statistical geographies on a 'best fit' basis.

The profile has been collated using the most up to date local-level data relating to 2022/23 as far as possible. A variety of statistical sources have been used in its compilation.

## Ward Councillors

The ward is represented by the following council members:

Ward	Councillor	Party	Phone	Email
Oakwood	Tom O'Halloran	Conservative Party	020 8132 0509	<a href="mailto:cllr.tom.o'halloran@enfield.gov.uk">cllr.tom.o'halloran@enfield.gov.uk</a>
Oakwood	Julian Sampson	Conservative Party	020 8132 1081	<a href="mailto:Cllr.Julian.Sampson@enfield.gov.uk">Cllr.Julian.Sampson@enfield.gov.uk</a>

## Demography

### Summary Statistics

	Oakwood	Enfield	Source
Population Estimate (2021 Census)	8,756	329,993	Census 2021
Children aged 0-15	1,714	68,116	
Working-age people (16-64)	5,505	216,855	
Older people aged 65+	1,537	45,015	
% All Children aged 0-15	19.6	20.6	
% All Working-age (16-64)	62.9	65.7	
% All Older people aged 65+	17.6	13.6	
% Not Born in UK - 2021	33.8	40.4	
% English is First Language of no one in household - 2021	9.0	13.4	
Area - Square Kilometres	1.9	82.2	Local Government Boundary Commission
Population density (people per sq km)	4,608	4,014	Census 2021 / Boundary Commission

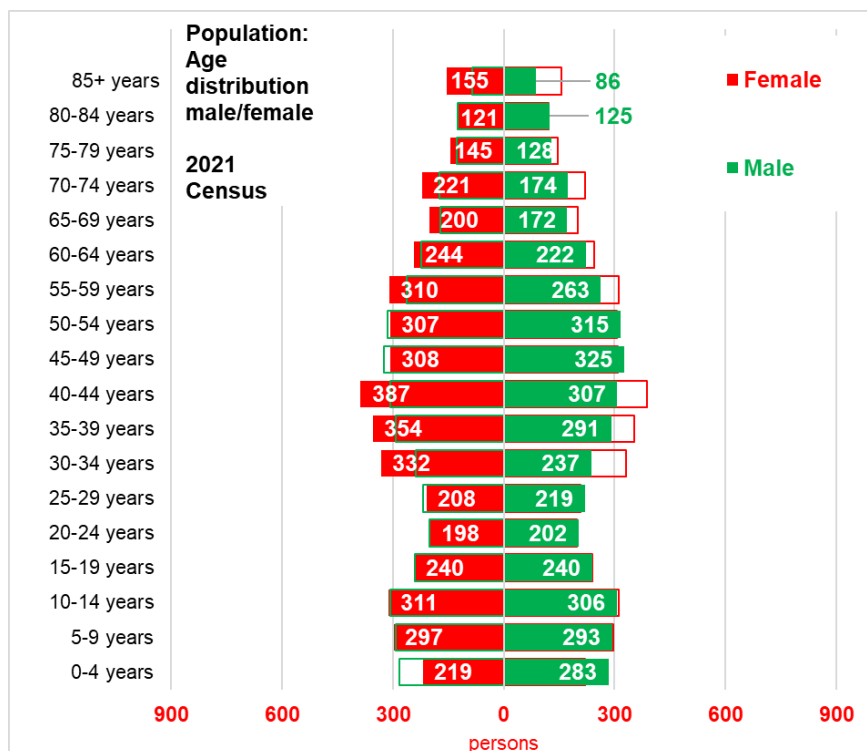
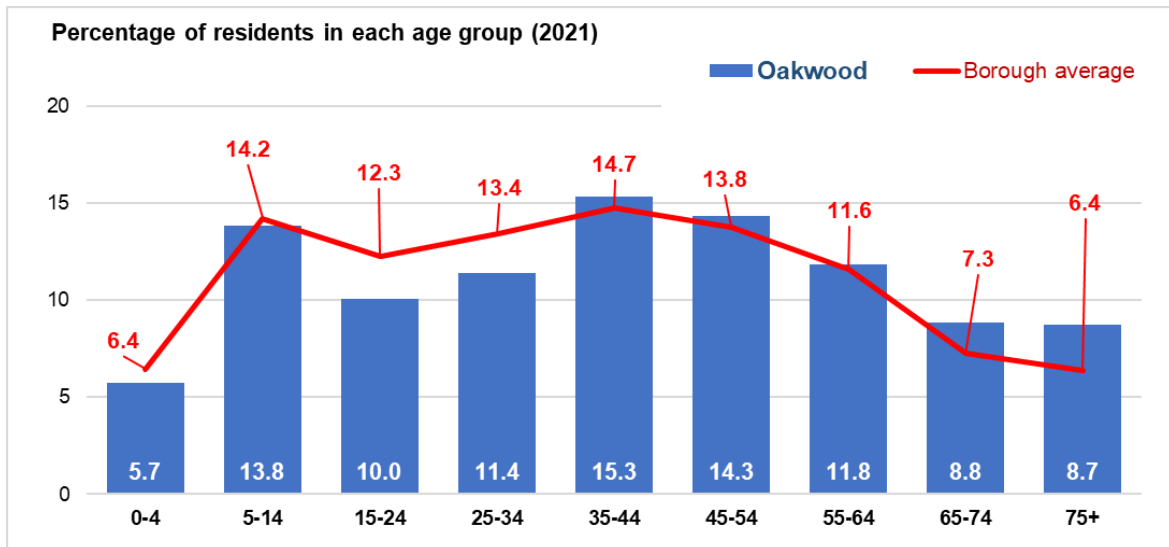
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## Population

Based on the [2021 Census](#), the ward population is estimated to be 8,756.<sup>1</sup> The population increased by 6.0% from 2011 to 2021.

## Age Profile

The ward has higher than average proportions of older adults and relatively low proportions of 15-34 year-olds. The split between male and female residents by age band is in the chart (bottom).



<sup>1</sup> Census 2021 population totals vary in accordance with geographies and characteristics being measured: eg the sum of all-age ward populations do not necessarily match the published borough total, and the sum of age band totals do not necessarily match ward and borough totals. This has occurred owing to changes in statistical suppression practices used by the ONS in order to release Census data more quickly. Differences are small and have very little effect upon calculations of proportions.

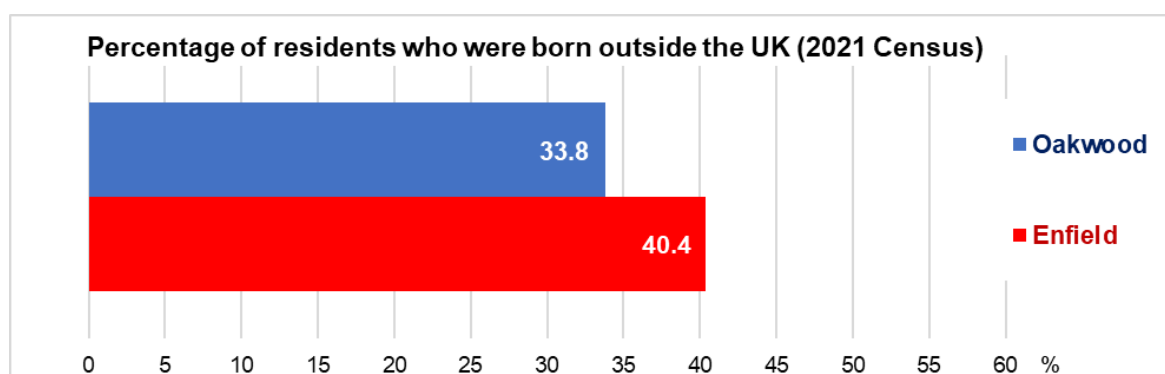
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## Ethnicity

The 2021 Census indicates the ethnic breakdown of the ward to be as follows:

Ethnic Group	Oakwood		Borough
	Persons	% of total	%
White British	3,198	36.6	31.3
White Irish	191	2.2	1.9
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	16	0.2	0.1
Greek	134	1.5	1.1
Greek Cypriot	656	7.5	3.0
Turkish	325	3.7	5.3
Turkish Cypriot	201	2.3	2.3
Kurdish	60	0.7	1.7
Bulgarian	80	0.9	1.6
Polish	83	0.9	1.5
Romanian	68	0.8	1.4
Albanian	82	0.9	1.0
Roma / Romany Gypsy	7	0.1	0.3
White Other	668	7.6	7.5
Mixed: White / Black Caribbean	122	1.4	1.6
Mixed: White / Black African	88	1.0	0.9
Mixed: White / Other Black (incl Black British)	7	0.1	0.1
Mixed: White / Asian	178	2.0	1.2
Mixed: Black / Asian	11	0.1	0.1
Mixed: Other	184	2.1	2.0
Indian	749	8.6	3.6
Pakistani	118	1.3	1.1
Bangladeshi	129	1.5	2.5
Chinese	142	1.6	0.8
Other Asian	346	4.0	3.5
Black British	47	0.5	1.8
Somali	23	0.3	2.5
Ghanaian	50	0.6	1.5
Nigerian	70	0.8	1.5
Other Black African	135	1.5	5.3
Black Caribbean	208	2.4	5.1
Other Black	18	0.2	0.8
Other Ethnic Group: Arab	65	0.7	0.8
Other Ethnic Group	289	3.3	3.1

## Residents born outside the UK



## Language

The 2021 Census reveals the languages spoken by people living in the ward.

At the time of publication, ward-level data were only available for residents aged sixteen and over, and some languages are not yet given in a disaggregated form (eg Bulgarian, Albanian and certain other European languages).

The most widely-spoken languages at that time were:

Main Language	Oakwood	
	Number	Percentage
English	5679	82.1%
Other EU language (incl Romanian, Bulgarian, Czech)	414	6.0%
Turkish	231	3.3%
West or Central Asian languages	95	1.4%
Other Non-EU language (incl Albanian)	87	1.3%
Gujarati	79	1.1%

Source: 2021 Census

## Religion

The 2021 Census showed the religious makeup of the ward as:

Religion	Oakwood		Borough Average %
	Number	%	
Christian	4,082	46.7	46.4
No religion	1,723	19.7	19.8
Muslim	1,010	11.5	18.6
Religion not stated	627	7.2	7.0
Hindu	622	7.1	3.1
Alevi	105	1.2	2.4
Jewish	295	3.4	1.1
Other religion	153	1.7	0.7
Buddhist	82	0.9	0.5
Sikh	47	0.5	0.4

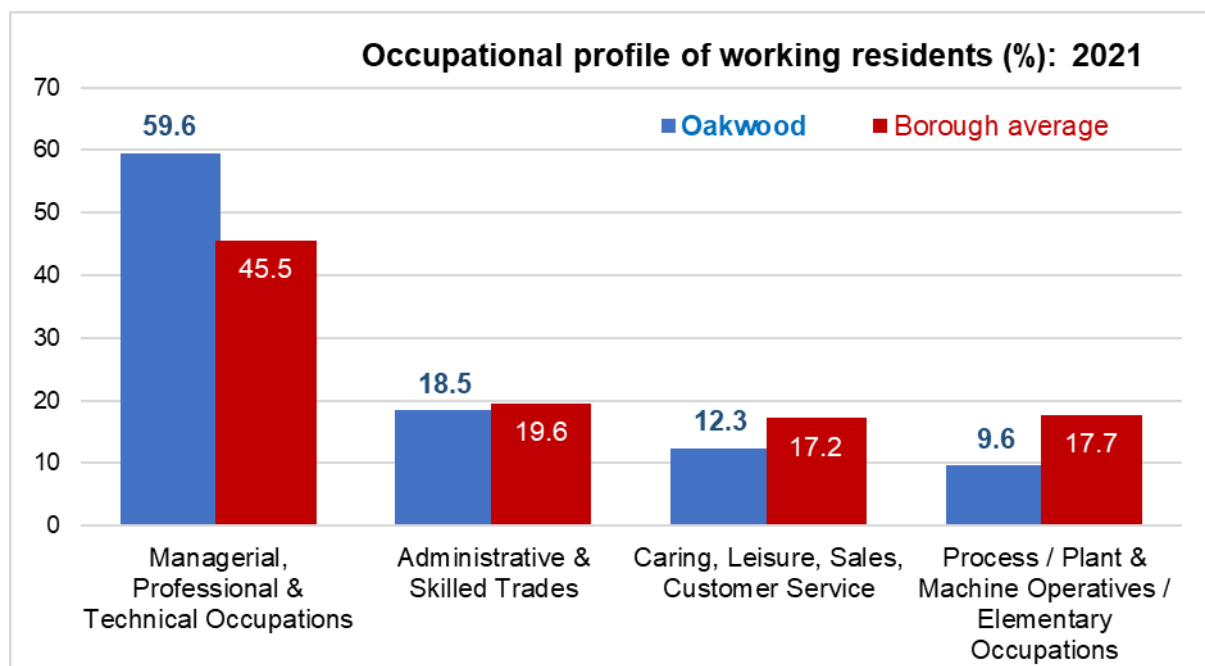
## Socio-Economic Factors

Key features:

- The ward has relatively high numbers of adults in managerial and professional occupations.
- Household incomes are higher than the borough average, with relatively low numbers of households in poverty.
- 2.7% of adults are on unemployment benefits and 12.6% of households on Universal Credit – lower than the borough averages
- Deprivation Indices: the ward has low deprivation levels – it is among the 50% least deprived wards in England.
- Proportions of households in fuel poverty are lower than the borough average (9.1%, compared with 13.8% for the borough)
- Crime levels are lower than the borough average
- Health: at the 2021 Census, 86% of residents reported Very Good or Good health
- Higher than average numbers of households are owner-occupiers.
- Levels of educational attainment are higher than that of the borough population in general.

## Socio-economic classification

Occupational groups are taken from the 2021 Census. The table below indicates the occupational profile of the ward, compared with the borough in general.



## Low Income Households

Data from CACI Ltd indicate that – as at 2023 – households in the ward have an average (median) household income of around **£54,000 per annum**, which is higher than the borough and London region averages.

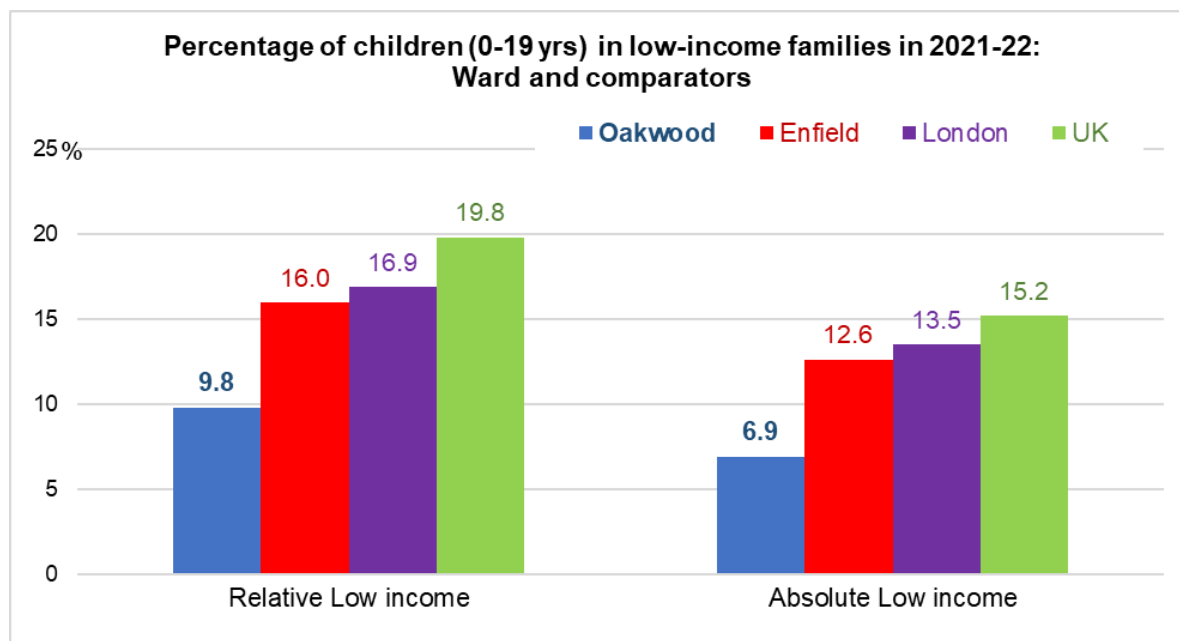
- 10.9% of households have a household income of less than £20,000 per annum – the borough average is 17.3%
- 5.9% of households have an income below £15,000 per annum – the borough average is 10%

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Statistics from the Department for Work and Pensions indicate that, in 2022:

- 214 children<sup>2</sup> in the ward (9.8% of the total) were living in families with Relative low income, and
- 151 (6.9%) were in families of Absolute low income<sup>3</sup>.

The proportions of children in poverty compared with local, regional and national averages are shown in the chart below.



## Benefit Claims

- As of April 2023, the unemployed claimant count<sup>4</sup> in the ward was 145, representing 2.7% of the local working-age population (the borough average was 6%)
- At February 2023, 441 households (including working families) were claiming Universal Credit (12.6% of all households in the ward). This compares with a borough average of 29% on Universal Credit.

## Economically active people

In 2021, the estimated proportion of people aged 16-64 who were in work or looking for work (the economically active) was higher than the borough average, at 77.1%. The proportion in employment was 72.6%.

## Deprivation score

The Indices of Deprivation 2019 – published by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government<sup>5</sup> measure **relative** deprivation in neighbourhood areas (Lower Layer Super Output Areas). These are ranked and sorted into deciles of relative deprivation.

Oakwood is among the least deprived 50% of all wards in England.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Aged up to 19 years (includes 16-19 year-olds who are in training or non-advanced education – ie categories for which Child Benefit would be payable assuming no other disqualifying factors)

<sup>3</sup> Relative low income: equivalised household income is less than 60% of the UK median for that year. Absolute low income: equivalised household income is less than 60% of the UK median for the period 2010-2011.

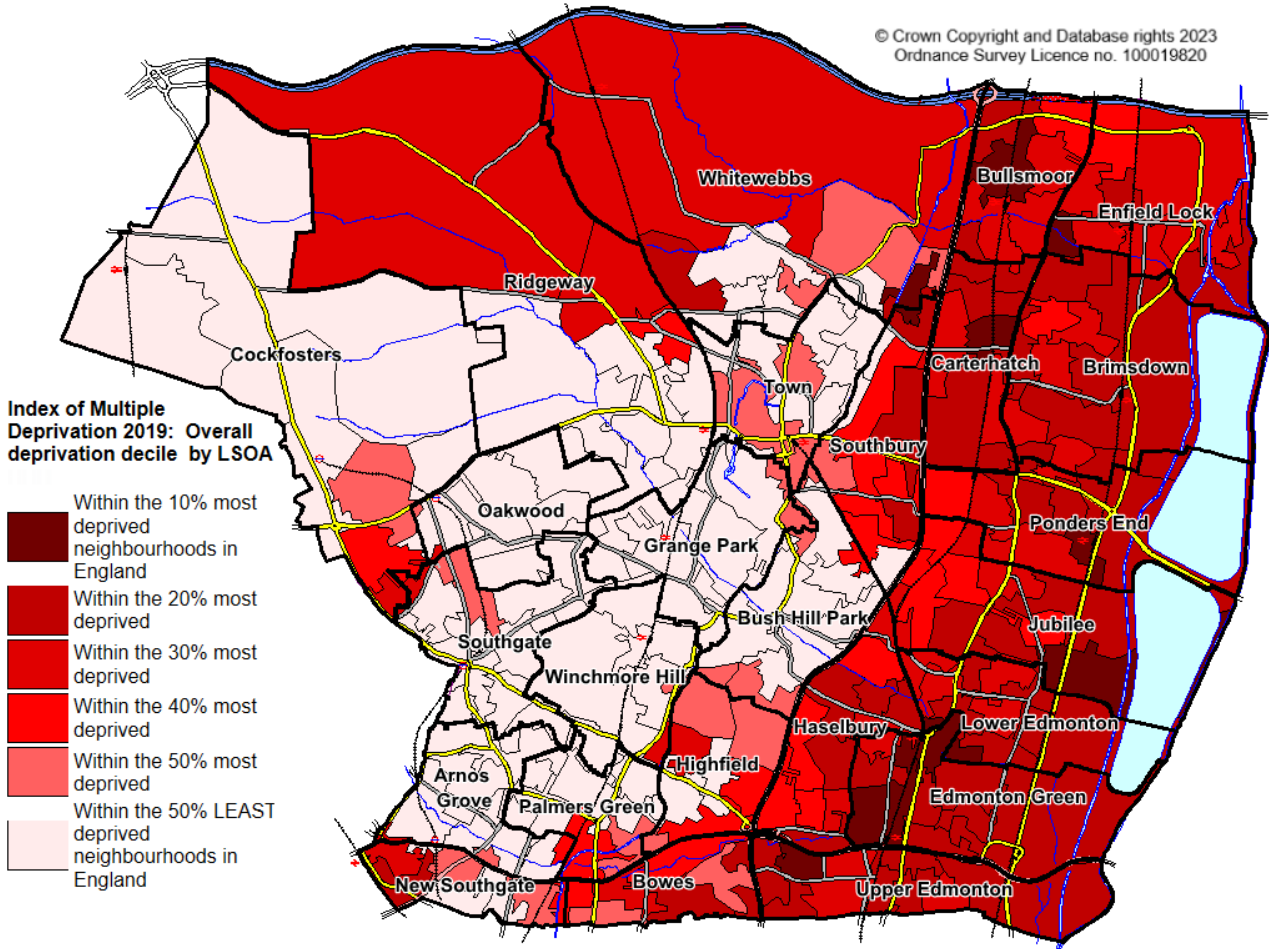
<sup>4</sup> The 'narrow' measure of unemployment: the number of people receiving either Job Seekers' Allowance, or unemployed claimants of Universal Credit who are required to seek work.

<sup>5</sup> Now the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

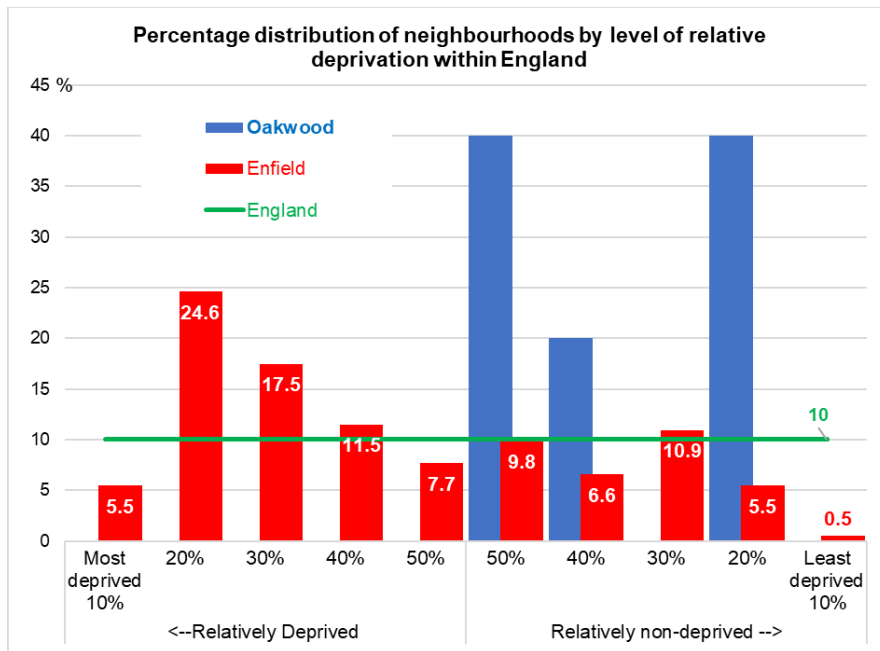
<sup>6</sup> Using rank of average score of constituent Lower layer Super Output Areas

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The map below illustrates how deprived the neighbourhood areas of the ward are, compared with all such areas in England. Darker shading indicates higher relative deprivation levels.



5% of Enfield's neighbourhood areas are among the 10% most deprived in the country, with a further 25% within the 20% most deprived. The chart below shows how the neighbourhood areas of the ward compares with this, and with the distribution in England.





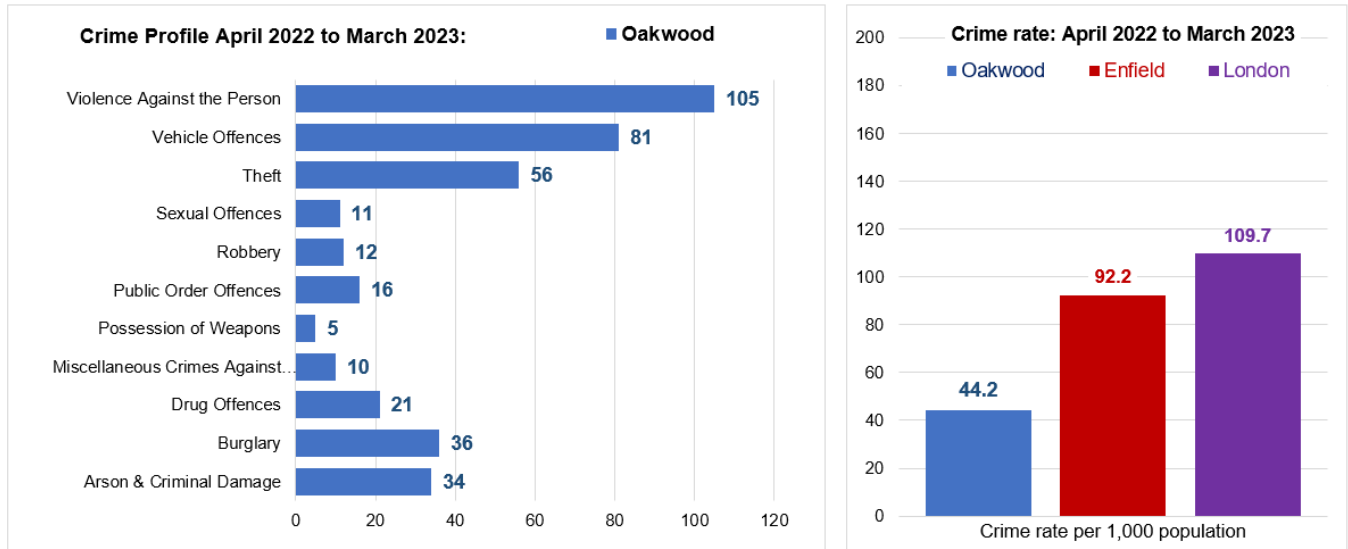
## Fuel Poverty

Best-fit geographic analysis of government statistics<sup>7</sup> reveal that, as at 2021, 9.1% of households in the ward were in fuel poverty. This proportion was lower than the borough, regional and national averages (13.8%, 11.9% and 13.1% respectively).

## Crime

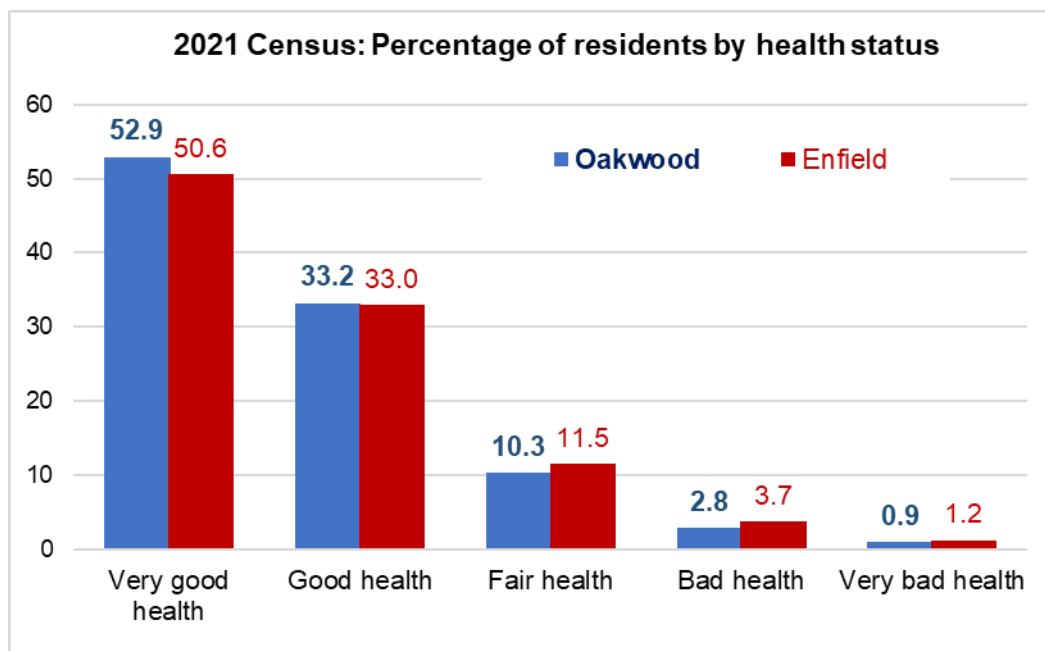
Metropolitan Police data for the period April 2022 to March 2023 indicate that:

- There were 387 notifiable offences in the ward – a fall of 1.3% on the previous year.
- The crime rate was 44.2 offences per 1,000 population – lower than the borough and regional averages.
- The most numerous offence categories were Violence Against the Person and Vehicle Offences.



## Health

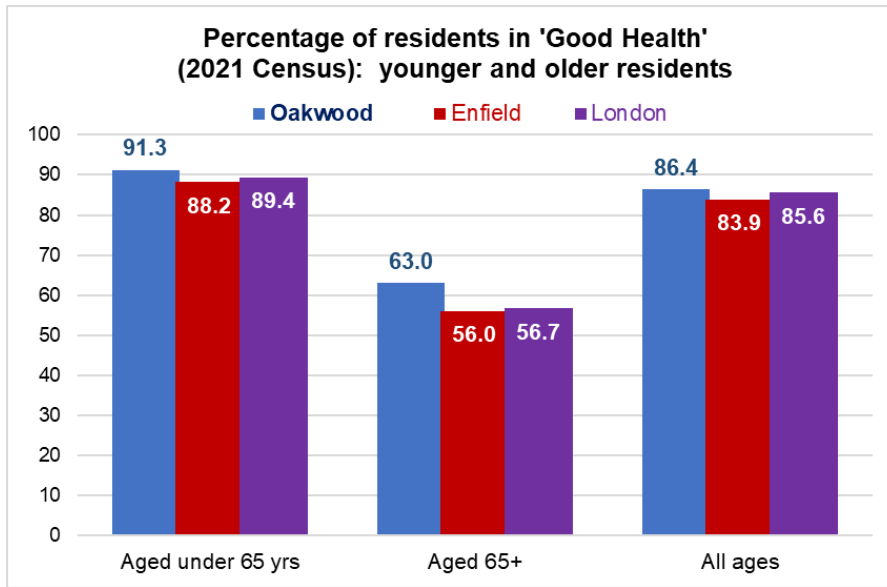
The 2021 Census asks residents to describe their general health. The chart below illustrates the response:



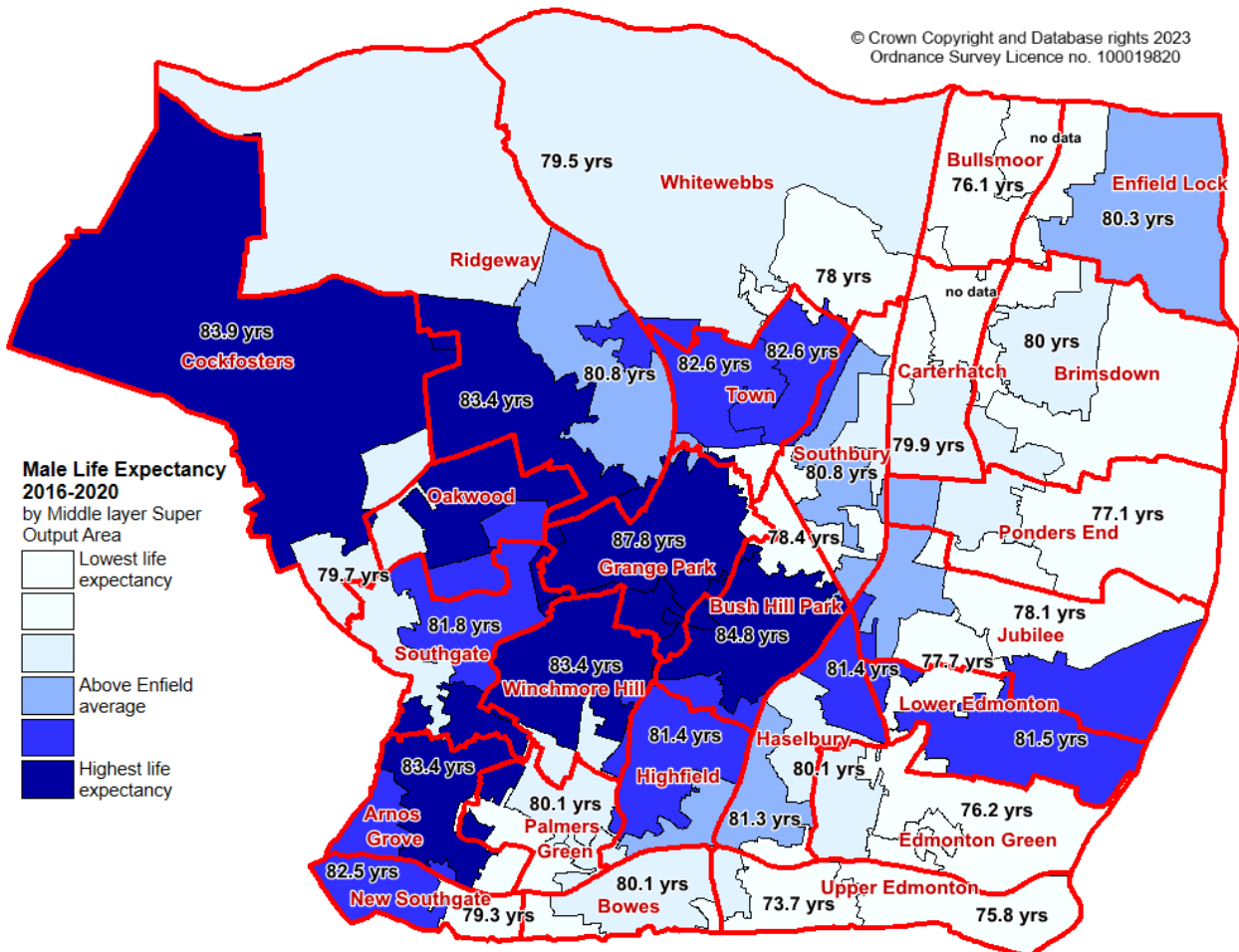
<sup>7</sup> Published by Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

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Ageing in a state of good health is obviously a desirable aim where possible, and the Census provides a snapshot of the health of people in different age groups. A separate analysis divides the population into those whose health is broadly 'Good' and those for whom it is 'Not Good'. The chart below details the percentage of under 65s and over 65s who describe their health as Good.



**Life Expectancy** information at ward level is not yet available for the 2022 Ward boundary geographies. However, data are available at Middle Layer Super Output Area level - another census geography with boundaries that do not match those of wards. These are mapped below: the darkest shaded areas have the highest life expectancy at birth.



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The latest health information about the ward can be obtained from the [Local Health](#) website by choosing Find My Area and entering the ward name (2022 wards had not yet been uploaded at time of publication).

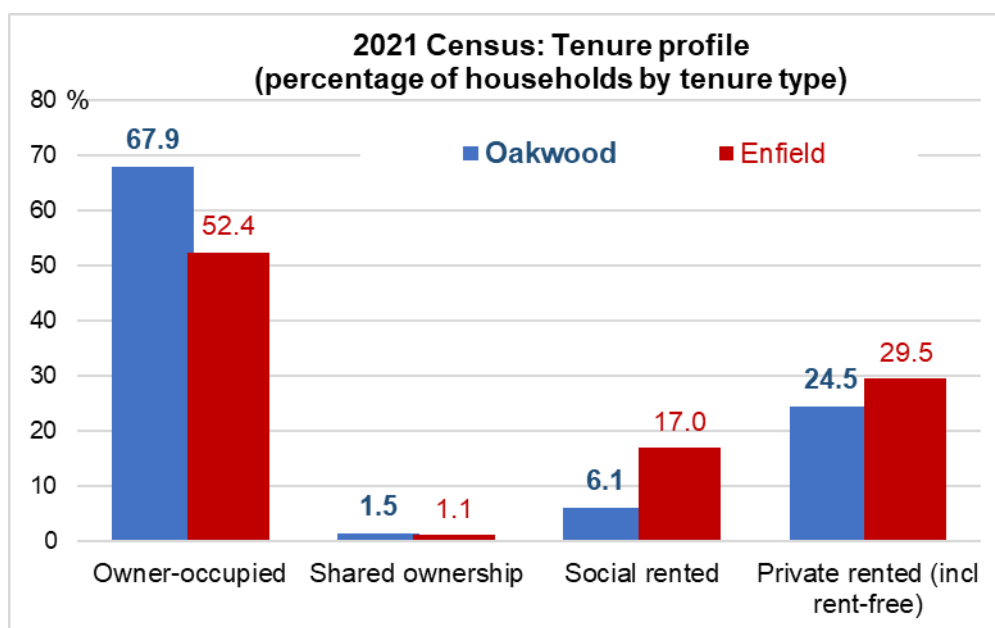
## GP Surgeries

There are two GP surgeries in the ward:

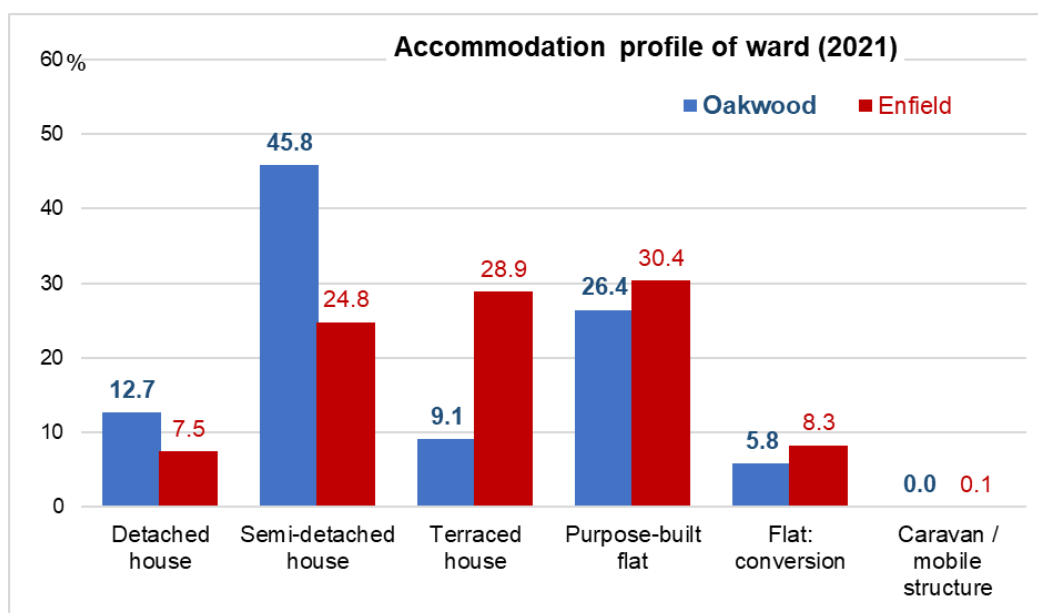
Highlands Practice	3 Florey Square	Winchmore Hill	N21 1UJ
Oakwood Medical Centre	Malcolms Way	Reservoir Road	Southgate N14 4AQ

## Housing

The 2021 (Census) profile of the households in the ward by housing tenure (sector) is as shown below, compared with borough averages. The ward had comparatively large numbers of owner occupiers, and relatively little social housing.



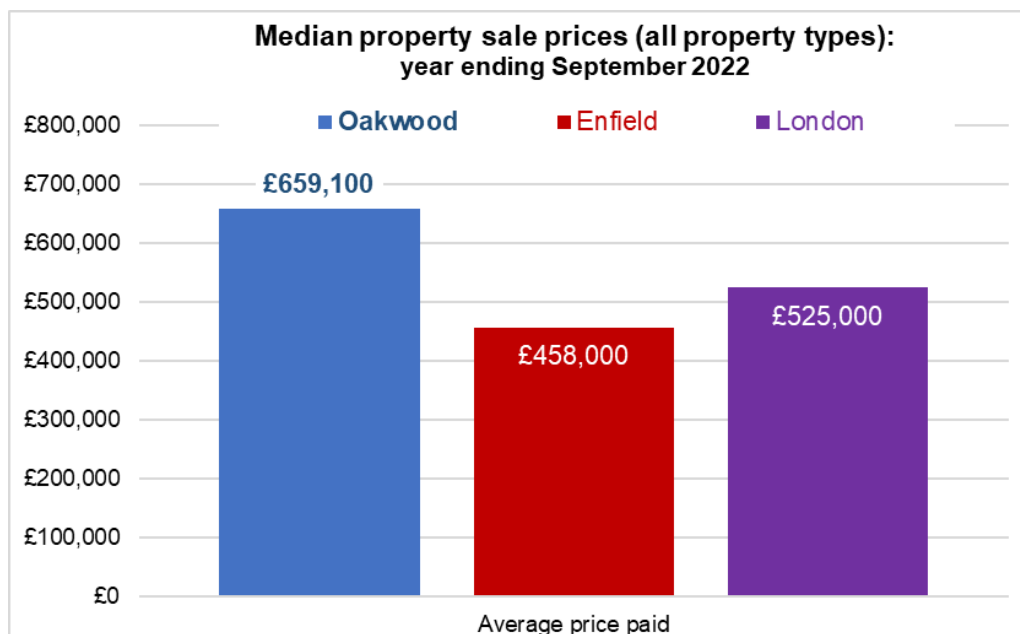
The 2021 Census data provides a view of the accommodation type by ward compared with the rest of the borough.



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## Property Prices

Ward-level averages of sale prices paid have not yet been published (at time of publication of this document), so the average ward property price shown in the table below has been aggregated from smaller geographies.<sup>8</sup>



## Education

Schools in the ward are as follows:

Highlands School	148 Worlds End Lane	N21 1QQ
Grange Park Primary School	World's End Lane	Winchmore Hill N21 1PP

## Performance tables for schools:

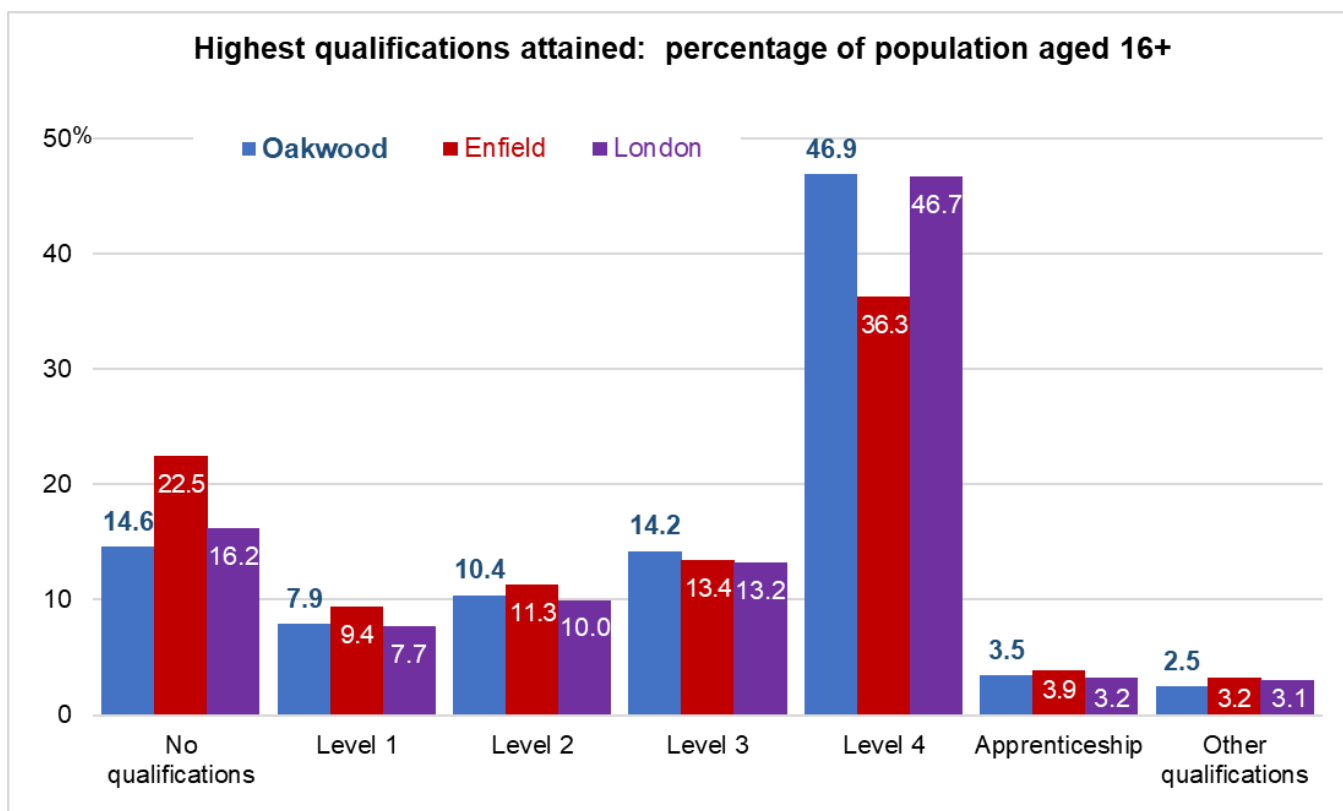
The [Department for Education](#) publishes school performance data on their searchable webpages.

## Qualifications in adults

Taken from the 2021 Census data the chart below shows the distribution of academic qualifications by population in the ward (aged 16 and over), and the borough-wide and regional average comparators.

<sup>8</sup> the ward average given is the mean of the median values of constituent Lower layer Super Output Areas. These values are therefore indicative only.

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<b>Level 1 and entry level qualifications:</b>	1 to 4 GCSEs grade A* to C , Any GCSEs at other grades, O levels or CSEs (any grades), 1 AS level, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic or Essential Skills
<b>Level 2 qualifications:</b>	5 or more GCSEs (A* to C or 9 to 4), O levels (passes), CSEs (grade 1), School Certification, 1 A level, 2 to 3 AS levels, VCEs, Intermediate or Higher Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First or General Diploma, RSA Diploma
<b>Level 3 qualifications:</b>	2 or more A levels or VCEs, 4 or more AS levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression or Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma
<b>Level 4 qualifications and above:</b>	Degree (BA, BSc), higher degree (MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ level 4 to 5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, professional qualifications (for example, teaching, nursing, accountancy)
<b>Other qualifications:</b>	Vocational or work-related qualifications, other qualifications achieved in England or Wales, qualifications achieved outside England or Wales (equivalent not stated or unknown)

## Culture and Leisure

There is one library in the ward:

Oakwood Library, 185-187 Bramley Road, London, N14 4XA

Tel: 020 8379 2344

There are no leisure centres, although nearby wards contain:

Bramley Road Squash & Bowls

Chase Side Cockfosters

N14 4PE

Southgate Leisure Centre

Winchmore Hill Road, Southgate, London

N14 6AD

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Parks and open spaces include:

BOXERS LAKE OPEN SPACE	Lonsdale Drive	Enfield	EN2 7JZ
LAKESIDE	Lakeside	Enfield	EN2 7NN
OAKWOOD PARK	Oakwood Road	Southgate	N14 6QB
WORLDS END LANE OPEN SPACE	Worlds End Lane	Enfield	N21 1QQ

## Places of worship

Southgate Progressive Synagogue, 75 Chase Rd, London N14 4QY	<a href="http://www.sps.uk.com/">http://www.sps.uk.com/</a>	020 8886 0977
St. Thomas's Church, Oakwood, 2 Sheringham Ave, London N14 4UE	<a href="https://www.st-toms.org.uk/">https://www.st-toms.org.uk/</a>	020 8245 9152
Oakwood Baptist Church, Merrivale, London N14 4TE	<a href="http://www.oakwoodbaptistchurch.org.uk/">http://www.oakwoodbaptistchurch.org.uk/</a>	020 8360 0466
Grace Church Highlands, Meeting in Highlands School, Worlds End Lane, 148 Worlds End Ln, London N21 1QQ	<a href="http://www.gracechurchhighlands.co.uk/">http://www.gracechurchhighlands.co.uk/</a>	

## Voluntary and Community Sector

Some locally based community organisations are given below. This list is not exhaustive.

Organisation	Address (where known/applicable)	Website (if known)	Telephone	Email	Description of Services
Enfield Chamber Orchestra	Oakwood Baptist Church, Merrivale, Southgate, London N14 4TE	<a href="http://www.enfieldchamberorch.org.uk">www.enfieldchamberorch.org.uk</a>	020 8360 4980	info@enfieldchamberorch.org.uk	Friendly orchestra inviting Grade 7 musicians to join, committed to rehearsals and improving standards
Friends of Oakwood Park	95 Sheringham Avenue, Oakwood N14 4UJ		020 8360 0172 / 07790 851701	helenshore@hotmail.co.uk	A children and family wildlife club in Oakwood Park
Grange Park Turkish Language Club	Grange Park Primary School, World's End lane, Winchmore Hill, London N21 1PP			<a href="mailto:guldenpetek@hotmail.com">guldenpetek@hotmail.com</a>	Turkish language supplementary school
Leaders Are Readers	Grange Park Primary School, World's End Lane, Winchmore Hill, London N21 1PP	<a href="http://www.leadersarereaders.co.uk">www.leadersarereaders.co.uk</a>	01992 651300	<a href="mailto:info@leadersarereaders.co.uk">info@leadersarereaders.co.uk</a>	Helps Children learn to read fluently using phonics.

## Additional Sources of information

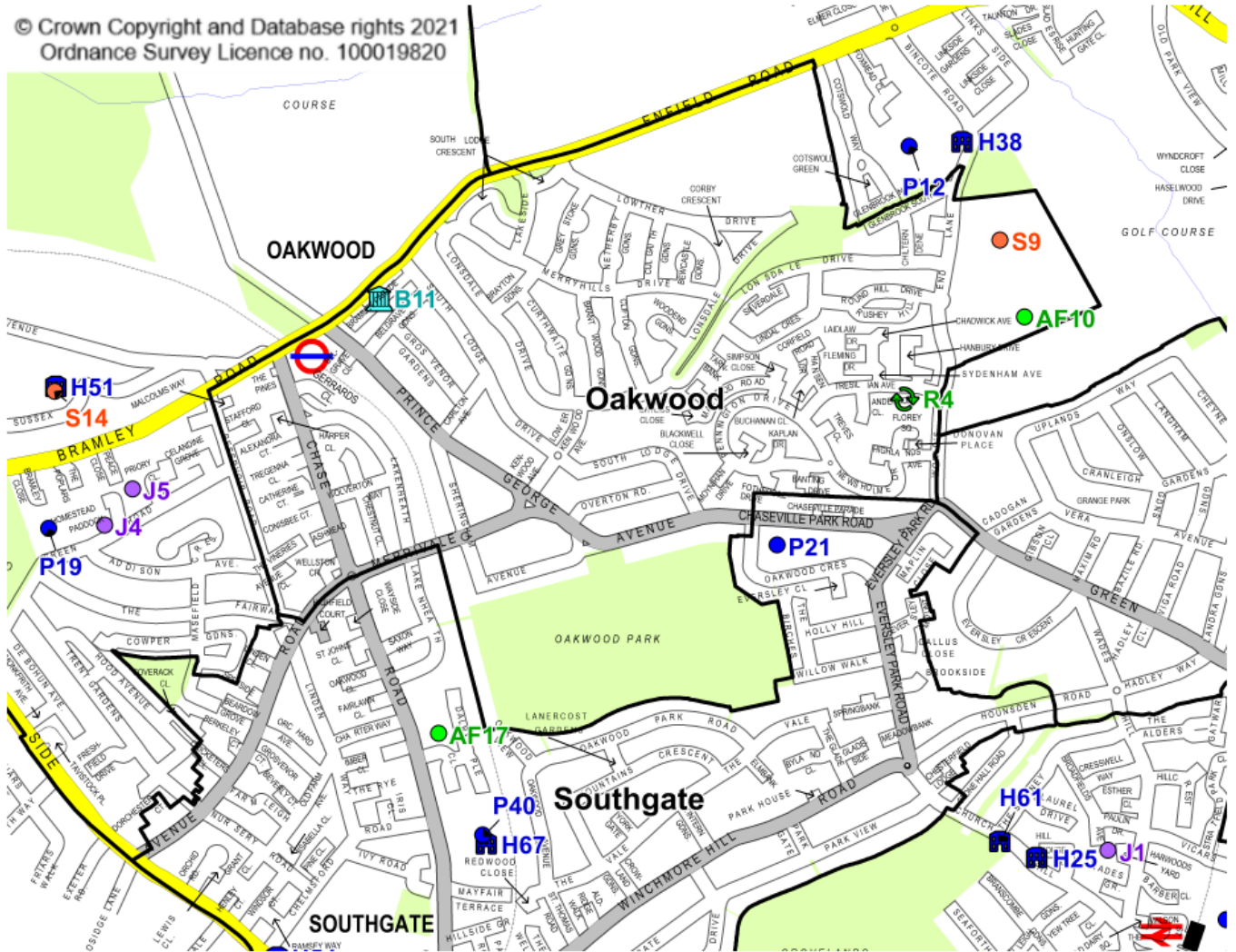
For local information visit the Enfield Council website homepage: <http://www.enfield.gov.uk/>. Creating an Enfield Connected account will enable you to find out about local events and services.

For statistics, search on the [London Datastore](#) or select Local Area Profile data on [NOMIS](#).

On the following page is a map of the ward featuring some local amenities (we cannot guarantee that all such amenities are included).

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## Oakwood ward

Parks and open spaces

Knowledge & Insight Hub



### Schools

- P12 Merryhills Primary School
- P21 Eversley Primary School
- P19 De Bohun Primary School
- P40 West Grove Primary

- S9 Highlands School
- S14 Southgate School

- AF10 Grange Park Primary School
- AF17 Wolfson Hillel Primary School

- J1 Keble Preparatory School
- J4 Salcombe Preparatory School
- J5 Vita Et Pax School

### Halls for hire

- H67 West Grove Primary School
- H61 St Pauls Church Hall
- H25 Friends Meeting House
- H38 Merryhills Primary School
- H51 Southgate School

### Libraries

- B11 Oakwood Library

### Recycling sites

- R4 Sainsburys - Highlands Village

## Sources and related notes

Various measures – Population, Age profile, ethnicity, religion and language: 2021 Census; © Crown Copyright, Office for National Statistics.

Economic Activity – all economically active 16-64 year olds = working plus unemployed – 2021 Census; © Crown Copyright, the activity rate (%) is the % of the population aged 16-64

Unemployment — the official DWP ‘claimant count’, April 2023

Universal Credit households – Department for Work and Pensions

Income – Low income households – CACI Paycheck; 2023; © CACI

Deprivation – Ministry for Housing, Communities & Local Government.

Children in low-income households – Department for Work and Pensions (2022)

Fuel Poverty – Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (2021)

Qualifications – 2021 Census; © Crown Copyright; note that this table excludes apprenticeships and ‘other’ qualifications

Housing type – 2021 Census; © Crown Copyright

General health – 2021 Census; © Crown Copyright

Life Expectancy – Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID)

Crime rate – uses crime counts from the Metropolitan Police for 2022/23