

WE ARE BECKTON & ROYAL DOCKS.

WE ARE NEWHAM.



Newham Unlocked 2021 –
Ghost Caribou at Kingsford Square

**Beckton & Royal Docks Community Neighbourhood
Resident Engagement & Participation**
May 2023

INTRODUCTION

WARDS

Beckton & Royal Docks Community Neighbourhood is made up of the following wards:

Beckton
Royal Albert
Royal Victoria

ABOUT THE AREA

Located in the south of the borough, Beckton & Royal Docks is characterised by its waterside location. It is proud to be the greenest part of Newham, with both Thames Barrier Park and Royal Victoria Gardens awarded the Green Flag award in 2022.

Popular with families, Beckton is a residential area, with houses built in the 1980s, and many good schools.

Royal Albert ward, covering North Woolwich and Silvertown, is a long established mixed residential and industrial space, home to the iconic Tate & Lyle factory and London City Airport.

Royal Victoria ward, covering West Silvertown, has a growing residential population, a mix of businesses including ExCel London, and industrial land. London's City Hall is located here.

TRANSPORT

Beckton & Royal Docks has a unique array of transport links, including buses, the Docklands Light Railway (DLR), London City Airport and a ferry linking to Woolwich, all of which is overseen by the IFS Cloud Cable Car that goes from Royal Docks to the Greenwich peninsula.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

There are many community facilities across the neighbourhood, including the Beckton Globe, which houses the library, Youth Zone and Adult Education Centre and St Mark's Community Centre on Tollgate Road. The University of East London campus and student accommodation is also located in Beckton.

The Beckton Community Centre is currently closed for refurbishment and will reopen in 2024.

There are also well-established community facilities and organisations across the Royal Docks, including a newly refurbished North Woolwich Library, Woodman Community Centre, the Royal Docks Learning and Activity Centre (RDLAC), Fight for Peace, The Factory, Brick Lane Music Hall and Britannia Village Hall and Royal Wharf Community Dock, both managed by the West Silvertown Foundation.

RESIDENT VIEWS



Matt Ponting

“ I love that my local area is so full of wildlife, large parks and the huge expanse of the docks a few minutes' walk away. Parakeets, bats, squirrels, woodpeckers and foxes – you name it they all choose to make Beckton their home, just like me.



Josie Webb

“ I've lived in North Woolwich all my life and find there is still a friendly community spirit here. I raised my family who still live in North Woolwich along with my grandsons.

Beckton & Royal Docks Community Neighbourhood



Legend	
	Adult Learning/Youth Zone
	Adult Learning Centre
	Youth Zone
	Library
	Place of Worship
	Town Hall
	Community Centre
	Health Centre
	Hospital
	GP Surgery
	Youth Centre
	Leisure Centre
	Childrens Centre
	School
	Park/Playing Field
	Ward Boundaries

BECKTON

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POPULATION: 16,152 (4.6% of Newham's population)

AGE

4 and under	969	6%	20-24	1,353	8.4%	65-74	869	5.4%
5-9	1,012	6.3%	25-34	2,973	18.4%	75-84	317	2%
10-15	1,261	7.8%	35-49	3,889	24.1%	85 and over	120	0.7%
16-19	872	5.4%	50-64	2,507	15.5%	100 and over	1	0%

ETHNICITY

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Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh	4,068	25.2%	Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African	2,989	18.5%	White	7,510	46.5%
Bangladeshi	1,635	10.1%	African	2,029	12.6%	English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	3,389	21%
Chinese	445	2.8%	Caribbean	680	4.2%	Irish	74	0.5%
Indian	674	4.2%	Other	280	1.7%	Gypsy or Irish Traveller	5	0%
Pakistani	848	5.3%	Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	821	5.1%	Roma	132	0.8%
Other	466	2.9%	White and Asian	142	0.9%	Other	3,910	24.2%
			White and Black African	188	1.2%	Other	759	4.7%
			White and Black Caribbean	236	1.5%	Arab	199	1.2%
			Other	255	1.6%	Other	560	3.5%

RELIGION

No religion	2,692	16.7%	Christian	7,830	48.5%	Buddhist	149	0.9%	Hindu	401	2.5%	Jewish	13	0.1%	Muslim	3,561	22%	Sikh	112	0.7%	Other	115	0.7%	Not answered	1,277	7.9%
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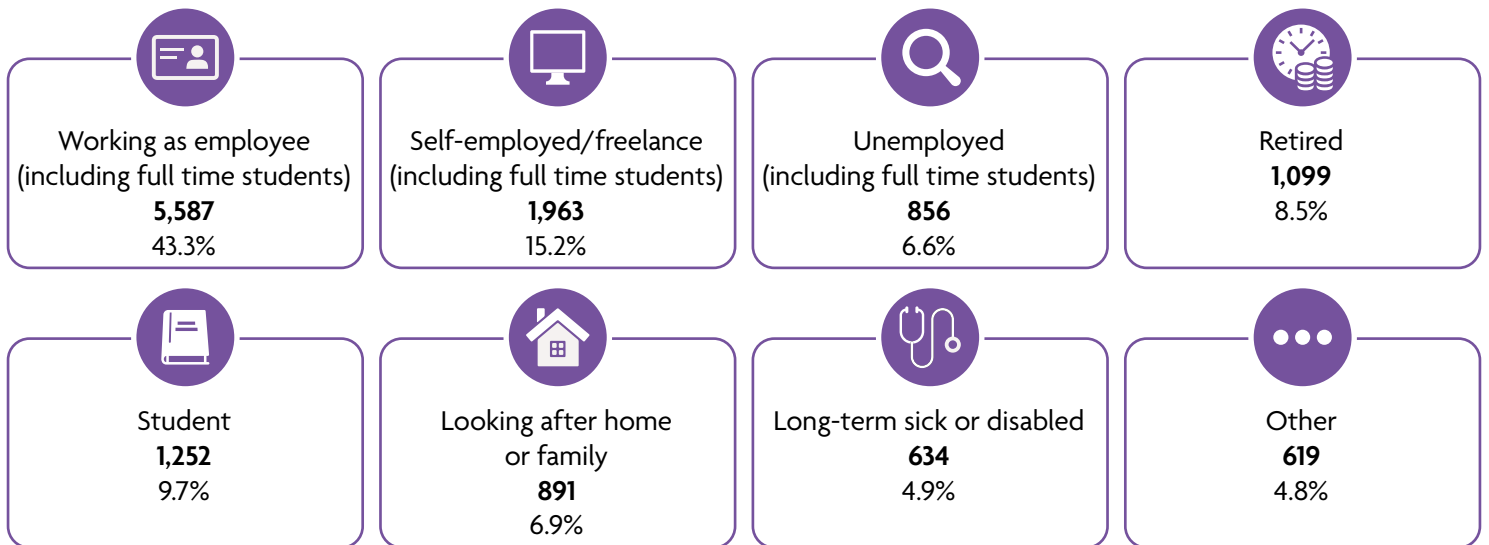
GENERAL HEALTH

	Very good	8,011	49.6%		Good	5,466	33.8%		Fair	1,806	11.2%		Bad	646	4%		Very bad	220	1.4%
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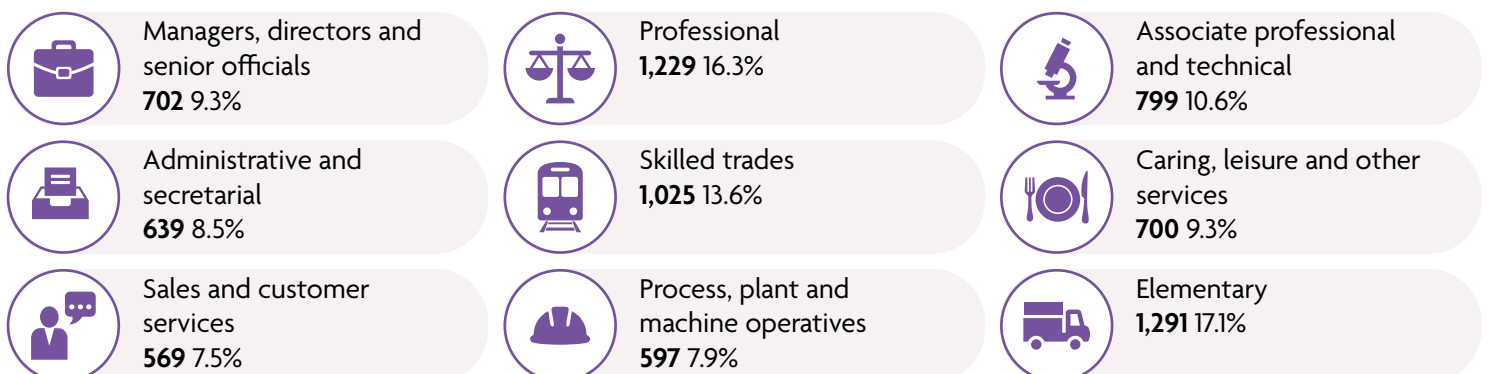
QUALIFICATION

QUALIFICATION	NUMBER	%
No qualifications	2,601	20.2%
Level 1 - 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	1,087	8.4%
Level 2 - 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 Baccaulaureate, Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First or General Diploma, RSA Diploma	1,428	11.1%
Apprenticeship	495	3.8%
Level 3 - 2 or more A levels or VCEs, 4 or more AS levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression or Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccaulaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma	1,919	14.9%
Level 4 - 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)	4,881	37.8%
Other: vocational or work-related qualifications, other qualifications achieved in England or Wales, qualifications achieved outside England or Wales (equivalent not stated or unknown)	492	3.8%

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY



OCCUPATION



ROYAL ALBERT

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POPULATION: 9,306 (2.7% of Newham's population)

AGE

4 and under	718	7.7%	20-24	730	7.9%	65-74	254	2.7%
5-9	615	6.6%	25-34	2,213	23.8%	75-84	142	1.5%
10-15	692	7.4%	35-49	2,295	24.7%	85 and over	44	0.5%
16-19	382	4.1%	50-64	1,208	13%	100 and over	0	0%

ETHNICITY

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Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh	1,999	21.5%
Bangladeshi	778	8.4%
Chinese	168	1.8%
Indian	533	5.7%
Pakistani	304	3.3%
Other	216	2.3%

Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African	2,606	28%
African	1,971	21.2%
Caribbean	345	3.7%
Other	290	3.1%

Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	631	6.8%
White and Asian	82	0.9%
White and Black African	164	1.8%
White and Black Caribbean	197	2.1%
Other	188	2%

White	3,621	38.9%
English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	1,772	19%
Irish	58	0.6%
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	7	0.1%
Roma	62	0.7%
Other	1,722	18.5%

Other	453	4.9%
Arab	99	1.1%
Other	354	3.8%

RELIGION

No religion	1,825	19.6%
Christian	4,419	47.5%
Buddhist	66	0.7%
Hindu	358	3.8%
Jewish	22	0.2%
Muslim	1,906	20.5%
Sikh	59	0.6%
Other	46	0.5%
Not answered	606	6.5%

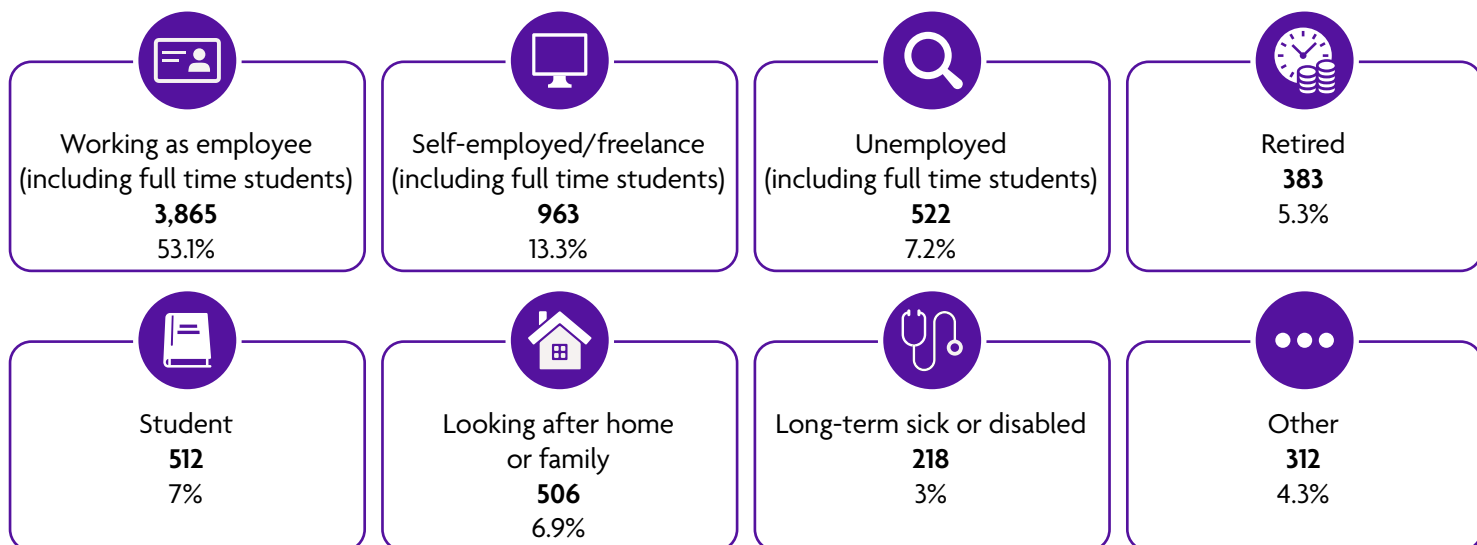
GENERAL HEALTH

Very good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very bad
5,147	2,960	862	258	79
55.3%	31.8%	9.3%	2.8%	0.8%

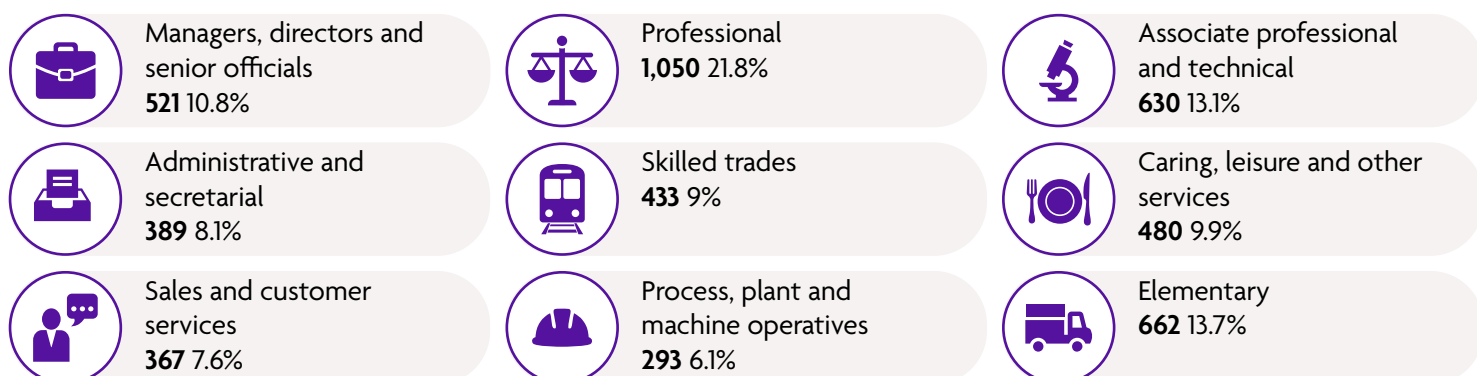
QUALIFICATION

QUALIFICATION	NUMBER	%
No qualifications	1,116	15.3%
Level 1 - 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	547	7.5%
Level 2 - 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 Baccaulaureate, Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First or General Diploma, RSA Diploma	658	9%
Apprenticeship	209	2.9%
Level 3 - 2 or more A levels or VCEs, 4 or more AS levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression or Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccaulaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma	997	13.7%
Level 4 - 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)	3,489	48%
Other: vocational or work-related qualifications, other qualifications achieved in England or Wales, qualifications achieved outside England or Wales (equivalent not stated or unknown)	258	3.5%

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OCCUPATION



ROYAL VICTORIA

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POPULATION: 14,538 (4.1% of Newham's population)

AGE

4 and under	1,091	7.5%	20-24	1,119	7.7%	65-74	180	1.2%
5-9	610	4.2%	25-34	5,766	39.7%	75-84	74	0.5%
10-15	506	3.5%	35-49	3,708	25.5%	85 and over	17	0.1%
16-19	327	2.2%	50-64	1,137	7.8%	100 and over	0	0%

ETHNICITY

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Asian, Asian British or Asian Welsh	4,099	28.2%	Black, Black British, Black Welsh, Caribbean or African	2,346	16.1%	White	6,449	44.4%
Bangladeshi	539	3.7%	African	1,778	12.2%	English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British	2,908	20%
Chinese	811	5.6%	Caribbean	351	2.4%	Irish	153	1.1%
Indian	1,798	12.4%	Other	217	1.5%	Gypsy or Irish Traveller	6	0%
Pakistani	442	3%	Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups	1,002	6.9%	Roma	92	0.6%
Other	509	3.5%	White and Asian	266	1.8%	Other	3,290	22.6%
			White and Black African	197	1.4%	Other	642	4.4%
			White and Black Caribbean	201	1.4%	Arab	216	1.5%
			Other	338	2.3%	Other	426	2.9%

RELIGION

No religion	Christian	Buddhist	Hindu	Jewish	Muslim	Sikh	Other	Not answered
4,205 28.9%	5,346 36.8%	156 1.1%	1,235 8.5%	36 0.2%	2,059 14.2%	236 1.6%	132 0.9%	1,133 7.8%

GENERAL HEALTH

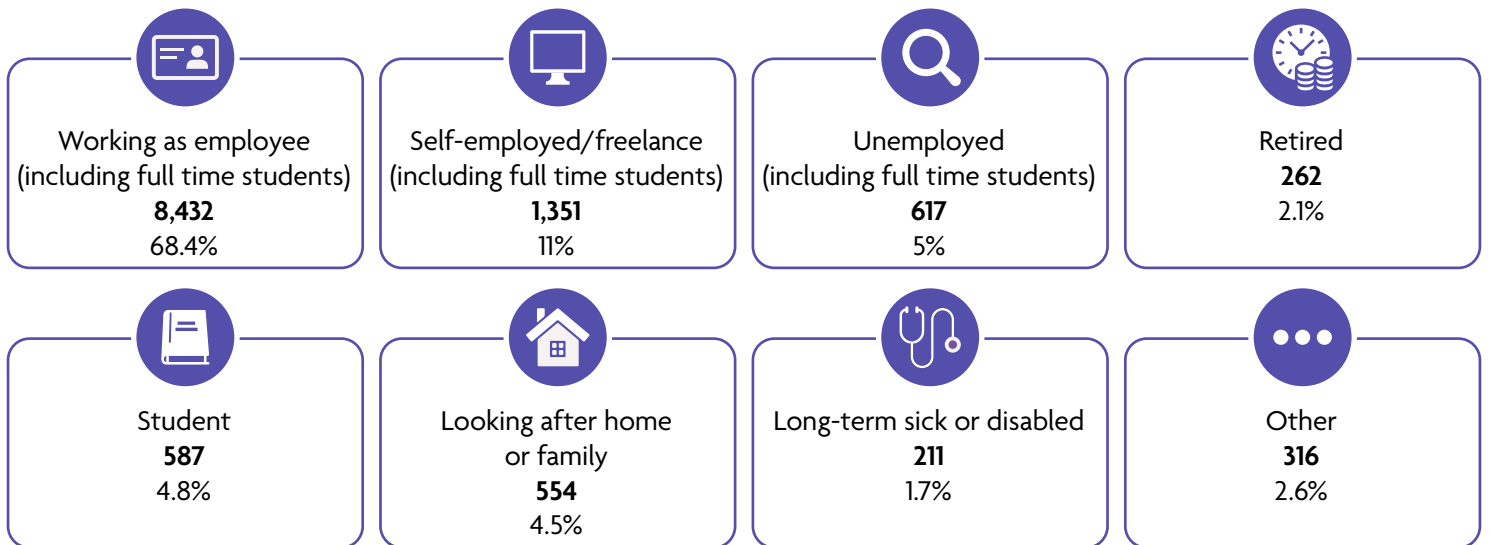
Very good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very bad
8,925 61.4%	4,496 30.9%	845 5.8%	186 1.3%	86 0.6%

ROYAL VICTORIA

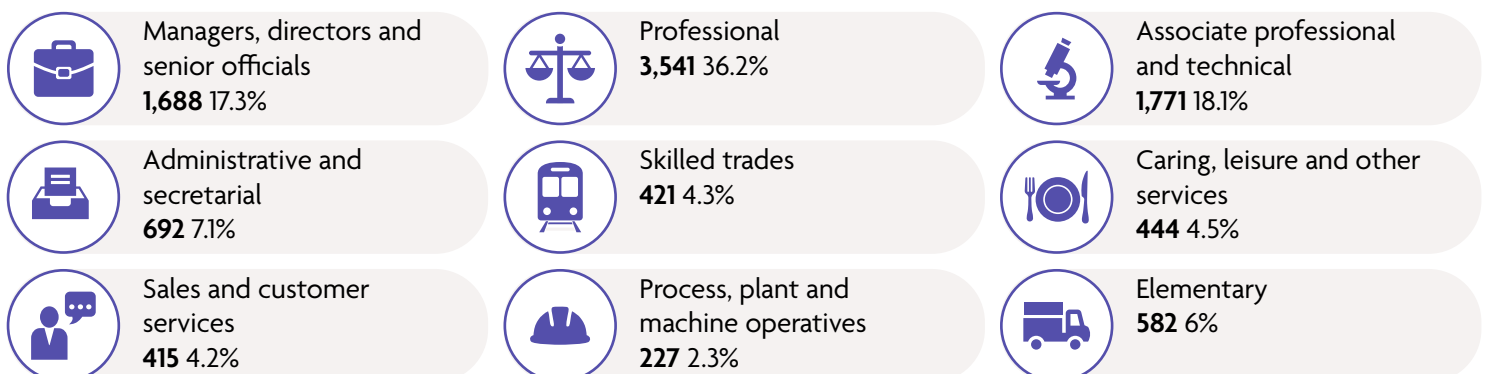
QUALIFICATION

QUALIFICATION	NUMBER	%
No qualifications	876	7.1%
Level 1 - 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	448	3.6%
Level 2 - 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 Baccaulaureate, Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First or General Diploma, RSA Diploma	720	5.8%
Apprenticeship	215	1.7%
Level 3 - 2 or more A levels or VCEs, 4 or more AS levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression or Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccaulaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma	1,295	10.5%
Level 4 - 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)	8,462	68.6%
Other: vocational or work-related qualifications, other qualifications achieved in England or Wales, qualifications achieved outside England or Wales (equivalent not stated or unknown)	313	2.5%

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY



OCCUPATION



OUR PARTNERS

We work closely with partners including voluntary, community and faith sector (VCFS) to connect with the local community. Partners deliver vital services such as food banks, befriending services, and advice. We collaborate on joint initiatives, activities and events to enhance community cohesion and improve the lives of local residents. Some partners have been successful in applying for People Powered Places (formerly Community Assemblies) funding and are pivotal in delivering these projects.

Some key partners that we work with include:

Royal Docks Learning and Activity Centre (RDLAC)

Community centre in North Woolwich delivering services and activities, including a food bank, after school activities and fitness classes for adults. It coordinates local events such as the Ferry Festival.

Newham Chinese Association

Works with Chinese elders and the wider community running history projects, providing regular support and running activities such as cultural celebrations.

West Silvertown Foundation

Manages two community centres: Royal Wharf Community Dock and Britannia Village Hall. It runs a variety of services for community members.



Curious By Nature

Offers outdoor play and forest school style activities to local families and organises community litter picks in Beckton District Park.

Beckton Community Projects

Based on the Windsor Estate, it runs a wide range of activities including a youth club, mixed martial arts, boxing, yoga and walking football.

Royal Docks Welfare Association

Local faith group supporting the Royal Docks Muslim community and other local community members.

St Mark's Community Centre

Home to a number of services, activities and events, some of which have relocated from Beckton Community Centre.



Beckton Islamic Association

Local faith group supporting the Beckton Muslim community and other local community members. Currently working in partnership with other faith groups to ensure capacity for all residents to access Jummah prayers.

Fight For Peace

Supports people engaged in gangs and other community members through sports and other activities. Recently opened their Peace Garden to the community.

Art in the Docks

Based in Royal Albert Wharf, this artist collective provides open studio events, workshops and artistic opportunities to the surrounding community.

NEIGHBOURHOOD INITIATIVES



Silvertown Quays

A new dockside neighbourhood is being developed at Silvertown. Mills, docks, water and broad horizons are being reinvented as a 50-acre vibrant heart for the Royal Docks and a new destination for London. The transformation will see Millennium Mills restored, the creation of a next-generation workspace, over 6,000 new homes and new space for cultural and community events.

www.silvertown.co.uk

Beckton Parks Masterplan

Newham Council is working with residents and community stakeholders to create a future vision for the Beckton Parks Masterplan area. <https://newhamco-create.co.uk/en/projects/becktonparksmasterplan>

Beckton Riverside

There are plans to create a new neighbourhood and town centre at Gallions Reach and the former Beckton Gas Works. A community-led vision is being developed involving residents from across the borough to help shape the area's priorities to ensure it provides for local communities as well as future residents.



Pier Road

Populo is Newham Council's wholly-owned housing company, which designs and builds better homes and places. It has submitted a planning application for 348 new homes, 20 affordable makerspace studios and a café. This project will include significant public realm upgrades around the Woolwich Tunnel entrance.

www.populoliving.co.uk

Royal Docks Enterprise Zone

The Royal Docks is undergoing significant regeneration. Up to 30,000 new homes and 41,500 jobs are being delivered over the next 15-20 years.

Communities are at the heart of the area's transformation into a hub of enterprise, employment and culture, to make it an inclusive and thriving centre for London. The Royal Docks Team works in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders, from local community groups to developers and local businesses.

The Royal Docks Enterprise Zone is a joint project between the Mayors of London and Newham.

www.royaldocks.london

NEWHAM RESIDENTS SURVEY 2023

We will run a new survey that will provide measurement for our eight priorities as part of our Building a Fairer Newham Corporate Plan. The plan will inform how we deliver our key priorities for the next four years.

The Newham Residents Survey 2023 will provide robust measurement of the outcomes relevant to a survey methodology. It will help us to demonstrate and measure the impact of our Corporate Plan. Alongside this, the results from the survey will allow us to understand residents' attitudes and needs, and their satisfaction with the Council and services we deliver. The survey will question a representative sample of residents at a Newham level. We expect at least 1,500 Newham residents to be surveyed across our eight Community Neighbourhood Areas with one of the areas split into two, making a total of nine geographic areas to consider for sampling. The survey will run from May to August and the results will be published later in the year.

PEOPLE POWERED PLACES

COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES ARE NOW



People

Powered

Places

People Powered Places is London Borough of Newham's flagship programme of participatory budgeting.

Previously named Community Assemblies, the programme has become one of the largest participatory budgeting initiatives in the UK since its launch in 2018. It has delivered lasting transformation funding more than 200 projects that have had real impact on the borough, including by improving engagement between the Council and residents.

People Powered Places 2023-25, will be a two-year cycle with another £1.6 million of Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding allocated across Newham. Each neighbourhood will be allocated £200,000 for the two years.

People Powered Places is part of the Council's commitment to build a "People powered Newham and widening participation" and is fundamental to delivery of the London Borough of Newham's four-year Corporate plan 'Building a Fairer Newham'.



KEY DATES TO LOOK OUT FOR

May 2023	Residents decide on local priorities.
June - July 2023	Residents discuss solutions to improve their area.
June - August 2023	Residents and local organisations come up with a project proposal to receive funding. Residents can apply for up to £5,000 and local organisations (VCFS) can apply for up to £20,000.
October - November 2023	Residents vote for their favourite projects.
January 2024 - January 2025	Successful projects are delivered by residents and local organisations with support from Newham Council.
May - June 2025	We celebrate our achievements.

Anyone who lives, works or learns in Newham can take part.

PROJECTS FOR 2022-23

Between 2022 and 2023, each Community Neighbourhood was allocated £100,000 funding for that year to spend on improving the area. Residents had a chance to co-produce local priorities, apply for funding and vote for their favourite projects on Newham Co-create.

In Beckton & Royal Docks, seven projects were voted for between 2022 and 2023.

PEOPLE POWERED PLACES



Beckton Ward Panel.

The panel runs regular litter picks, records and reports on community safety issues, and helps Beckton to be a safer place.



Permanent base for TS Thunderer

Funding is supporting West Ham Sea Cadets to have a permanent space in old shipping containers in the Royal Docks area and open waterways so more local young people can get involved.



Beckton Community Project

This project delivers a youth club, Muay Thai kick boxing, women's yoga and men's football, as well as family fun days.



Family Forest School: Learning, Planting and Litter Picks

Curious by Nature are delivering free Forest School sessions to children aged 3-11 and their parents/carers, twice a week and during school term breaks in Beckton District Park South nature reserve.



Grass Routes

This project is delivered by RDLAC and supports local green spaces in Royal Docks through food growing, tree planting, helping local habitats, green training, litter picks and composting activities.



Youth FC

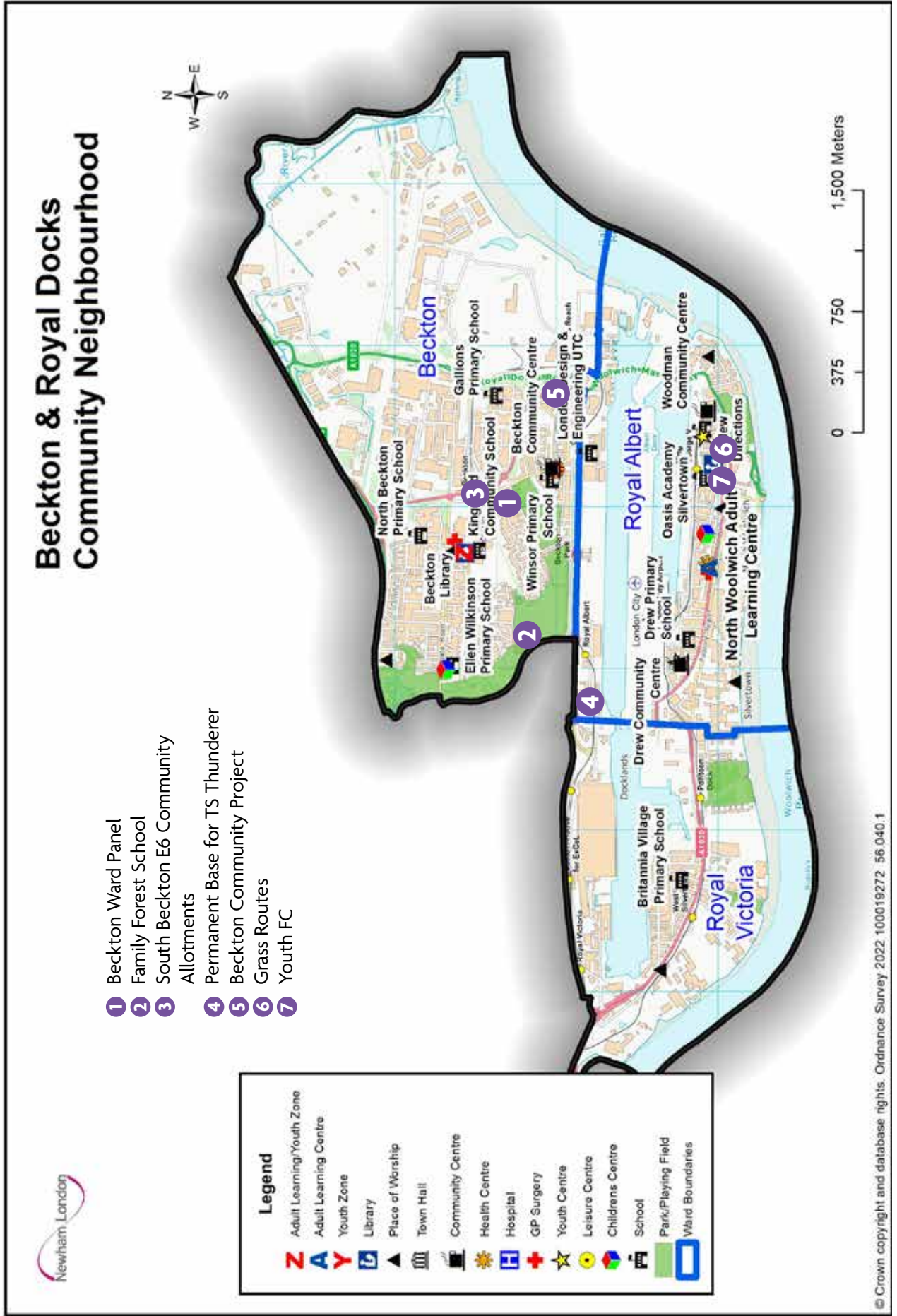
This project is delivering a sports and football programme to young people aged 14-18 in Beckton and Royal Docks.



E6 Community Allotments

A Women's Wellness allotment with complementary activities.

MAP OF COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY PROJECTS



LOCAL COUNCILLORS

Councillors are elected by the community to decide how the council should carry out its various activities. They represent public interest as well as individuals living within the ward in which they have been elected to serve a term of office. They have regular contact with the general public through council meetings, telephone calls or surgeries. Surgeries take place regularly and provide an opportunity for any ward resident to talk to their councillor face to face.

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