

Newham at a glance



Newham – our home

With £22 billion being invested into major regeneration projects, Newham is the future of the capital in terms of regeneration and opportunity.

Our borough is home to the majority of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the energy and opportunities created will produce a lasting legacy for the borough's landscape as well as its people.

We have the most diverse community in the UK and the youngest population in the country, providing us with a willing and ambitious workforce. Alongside this, Newham has a great future with 55,000 new homes being built by 2025 and 50,000 new jobs being created, truly making the borough a place where people choose to live, work and stay.

Where in the world are we?

Newham's connections

- International travel – London City airport offers routes to 30 destinations across the UK and Europe plus business flights to New York.
- Six Underground stations – 15 minutes to central London by tube
- By car – 11 minutes to the M25 and five minutes to the M11
- Six rail stations – seven minutes to St Pancras
- Crossrail – five crossrail train links to be completed by 2017
- A multi-million pound cable car spanning the Royal Docks



Who's in charge?

The council is led by directly elected Mayor, Sir Robin Wales and 60 locally elected councillors who make decisions on how to provide local services on behalf of local people. The Mayor is responsible for all executive decisions and provides strategic leadership. The 60 councillors have been elected to represent the residents from the 20 wards across the borough.

The day to day delivery of council services is led by the Chief Executive, Kim Bromley-Derry.



Sir Robin Wales
Mayor of Newham



Kim Bromley-Derry
Chief Executive



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Getting better everyday

Newham London's vision is to make our borough a place where people choose to live, work and stay. Everything the council does centres around "resilience" - ensuring people have the right skills to overcome difficult circumstances and thrive, whatever their background.

Resilience encompasses three elements.

- Personal resilience - the qualities, capabilities and emotional intelligence that enable an individual to deal with adversity and succeed.
- Community resilience - the relationships and networks, both strong and loose connections that help to permeate a support structure and reinforce positive behaviour.
- Economic resilience - having the resources to withstand shock, improving life chances through sustainable and satisfying work, and more widely, benefiting from an area that is flexible and change ready.

Resilience is being supported in a number of ways. Newham has:

- The largest council-led volunteer programme in the country, with over 7,000 volunteers.
- The largest summer sports and activity programme in the country.
- Workplace, the council's job brokerage programme has helped get 13,000 residents into work in five years.
- Free school meals for every primary school child.
- Free swims for over 60s and under 16s.
- Free music tuition for every Year 5 and 6 pupil.



Newham is improving:

- 79% of residents are satisfied with Newham as a place to live.
- Newham is a safe place: 92% of residents agree.
- Second most improved borough for crime reduction across all notifiable offences.
- More young people are in education, employment and training than the England average.
- Primary and secondary education in Newham are better than London averages.
- Social services for children and families are better than London averages.
- But it also has challenges. Newham is the 2nd most deprived borough in London and the country.
- Newham is facing £84 million cuts to government grant over four years. Despite these the council is more efficient than the London average.

Why Newham is unique:

- 87% of residents say this is a place where people from different backgrounds get on well with each other.
- Over 200,000 people enjoy free Newham events.
- Free School Meals for every primary school pupil in the borough
- Newham is home to Westfield Stratford City, the largest urban shopping centre in Europe.
- Some 450,000 people will visit Newham each day during the 2012 Olympic Games.
- Newham is the most ethnically diverse place in England and Wales.
- Over 200 languages and dialects are spoken in Newham.
- Newham has the highest proportion of young people in the country.

Also - according to destination Newham - 100,000 jobs will be created by 2025 in the borough