

Social Capital is the glue and resources that help a community stay together and move on.

Compared to the average result for the rest of the areas surveyed we found that people in Earl Shilton were not as strong in terms of their perceptions of neighbourliness—whether it was a friendly place and whether people looked out for each other. However, more people in Earl Shilton did socialise with their neighbours, compared with the average for other areas.

People in Earl Shilton were stronger than the average for other areas in terms of their diversity of networks. More people were happy living among people of different lifestyles than the average for all areas surveyed in Leicestershire.

People in Earl Shilton were less likely than average to say that people could be trusted—both generally, and in their neighbourhood.

The number of people who gave unpaid help to friends and relatives (informal volunteering) on a weekly basis was comparable with the average for other areas, but those engaged in formal volunteering was lower than average.

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Social Capital Survey 2006

Earl Shilton



What you said...

We asked people whether they agree or tended to agree that their neighbourhood is a place where people from different backgrounds get on together.

In Earl Shilton the result was 54%.

This compares with 58% in all areas surveyed in Leicestershire and, from a separate survey around a year ago, a figure of 78% for the East Midlands and 80% for England & Wales.

We asked whether many of the people in their neighbourhood can be trusted.

In Earl Shilton the result was 30%.

This compares with 43% for all the areas surveyed in Leicestershire and, from a separate survey around a year ago, a figure of 52% for the East Midlands and 49% for England & Wales.

We asked if in the last 12 months people had given unpaid help to groups, clubs or organisations for more than 2 hours a week.

In Earl Shilton the result was 11%.

For all areas surveyed in Leicestershire the corresponding figure was 14%.

We asked if in the last 12 months people had given unpaid help to friends, neighbours or anyone except relatives.

In Earl Shilton the result was 66%.
For all Leicestershire the corresponding figure was 77%.

In the survey we asked people whether they are satisfied with the overall delivery of public services.

In Earl Shilton 74% of those surveyed were satisfied or very satisfied.

This compares with 71% for all areas surveyed in Leicestershire.

We asked if people voted in the last Parish Council elections.

In Earl Shilton 43% of people voted in the last Parish Council Elections.

In Leicestershire this figure was found to be 36%.

We asked people if they feel they can influence decisions that affect their area on their own.

In Earl Shilton 21% of people agreed or definitely agreed.

In Leicestershire this figure was found to be 16%.

We also asked people if they feel they can influence decisions that affect their area when working with others in the neighbourhood.

In Earl Shilton 48% of people agreed or definitely agreed.

In Leicestershire this figure was found to be 62%.

Now what do we do?