

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

Social Capital Survey 2006

Whetstone

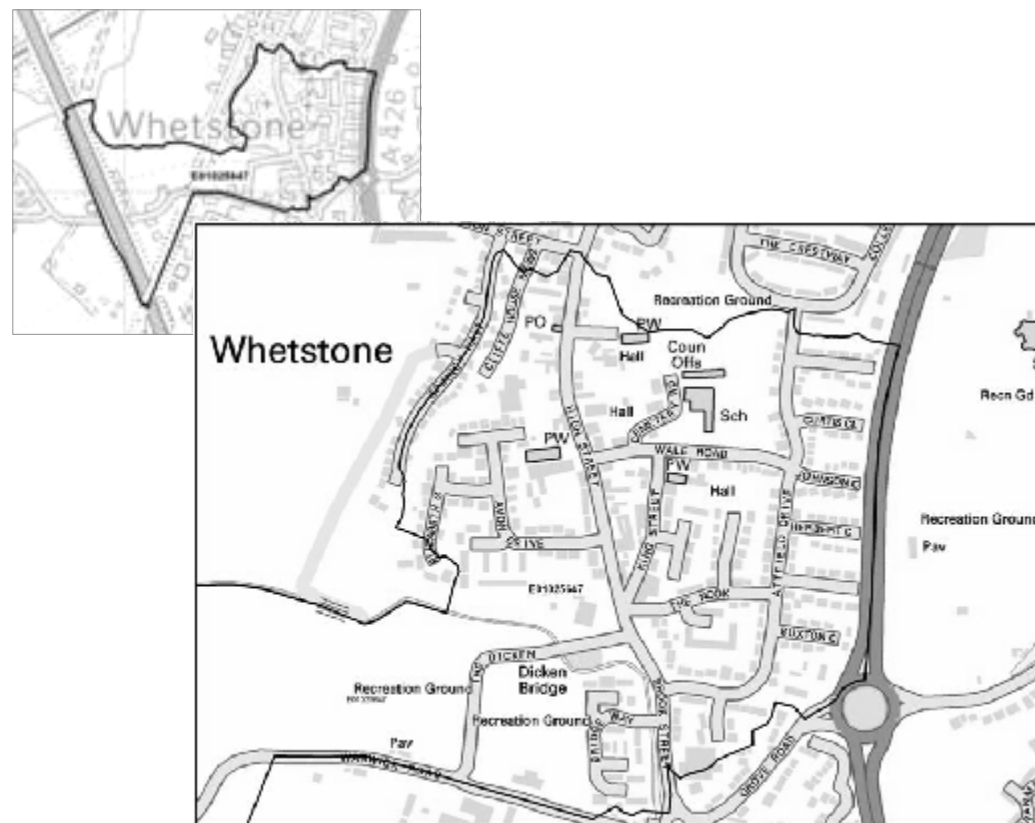
The responses to the survey from people living in this part of Syston were generally very similar to the average responses for all other areas surveyed.

The networks people mix with were generally comparable with the average for all other areas surveyed. However, more in Whetstone like to mix with people who are the same religion or faith as themselves.

Compared to the average result for the rest of the areas surveyed, more people in Whetstone said it is likely they could get help from a neighbour.

More people in Whetstone tend to feel that it is important to contribute to their community compared with the other areas. Along with this, more people said they had thought about participating in their community, but did not do anything.

In Whetstone more than the average of other areas surveyed said they can influence decisions affecting their area when working with others in the neighbourhood.



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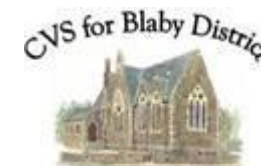
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What you said...

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 Whetstone the result was 68%.

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 Whetstone the result was 52%.

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 Whetstone the result was 20%.

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 Whetstone the result was 72%.
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 Whetstone 87% 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 Whetstone 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 Whetstone 15% 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 Whetstone 72% of people agreed or definitely agreed.

In Leicestershire this figure was found to be 62%.

Now what do we do?