# APPENDIX 7: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONTEXT

## 1.1    Demographics

The Wood Green catchment area, which is made up of the wards immediately surrounding the retail precinct between Wood Green and Turnpike Lane tube stations, is comprised of the wards of Bounds Green, Harringay, Noel Park and Woodside. This area comprises approximately 28,400 homes and 69,500 people.

The percentage of young, working adults in the 20-29 and 30-44 age ranges is higher than the borough average. In contrast, the average percentages of children and youth from ages 0-19 are below the borough and national averages.
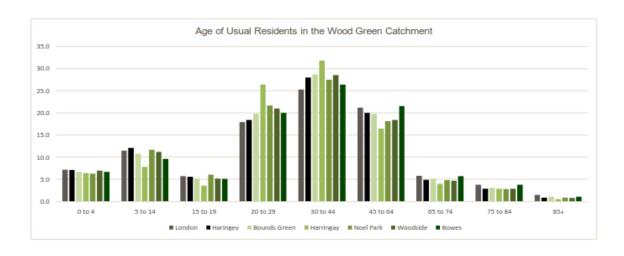


*Figure 1: There is a higher-than-borough-average number of young, working adults and a lower level of children and youth*

There is a diverse household composition, with a higher-than-average incidence of non-traditional households, including group shares. This is due to a relatively low proportion of families with dependent children and, at least in Noel Park and Woodside, a high incidence of families with non-dependent children still living at home.

Ethnicity in Wood Green is changing through international migration, with a low proportion of residents born in the UK. There are high concentrations of Asian and Asian British people; however, these proportions still remain below the average for Greater London. There is an increasing migration of Eastern and Southern Europeans into the area, with a high-recorded settlement of Italians, Spaniards, Romanians and Hungarians. Noel Park also has an increasing incidence of Black Afro-Caribbean residents.
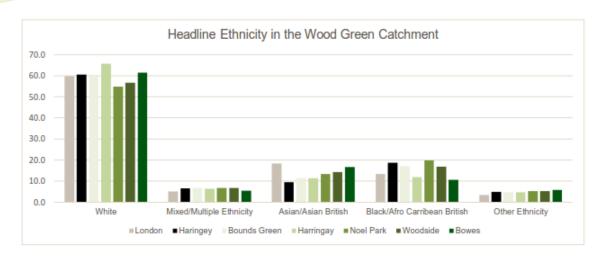
*Figure 2: Ethnicity in Wood Green is becoming increasingly diverse*

Deprivation in this area is concentrated in Noel Park and Woodside, with socially rented housing concentrated in the Noel Park ward. 38% of homes in Noel Park are socially rented, in comparison to an average of 27% borough-wide.

The profile of the Wood Green catchment in terms of educational attainment is highly variable; Bounds Green, Harringay and Bowes Park have a higher level of qualification than Noel Park and Woodside.

The employment profile by occupation and industry sector is varied, but a higher proportion of residents in all five wards of the Wood Green catchment area work in elementary occupations, relative to the borough and London.

Median-modelled household incomes are lower than those in the west of the borough, but higher than in Tottenham. Noel Park has the lowest modelled household income in the catchment area at £30,620, with Harringay the highest at £37,150.

The experience of health and wellbeing across this catchment is diverse. Noel Park records the highest proportion of residents with a daily lifestyle that is impacted significantly by health issues and reports the lowest proportion of people claiming very good health.