



# Our Place, Our Priorities

## Torry

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Community Planning  
in Aberdeen

# People

The population of Torry which speaks a language other than English at home.



**20% in Torry West**  
**16% in Torry East**  
*14% Aberdeen*

Babies in Torry who are exclusively breastfed at the time of the 6-8 week review.



**28% Torry**  
*36% Aberdeen*

Children who show no sign of dental decay in primary 1



**Torry**  
**44%**



**Aberdeen**  
**67%**

School leavers who progress to higher education.



School meals



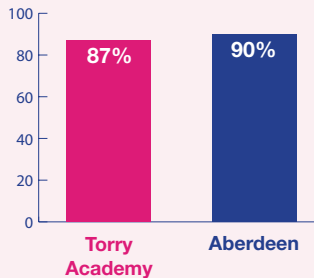
**75%** of Torry school children are in the most deprived quintile (20%).



**Yet less than 1 quarter** of P4-P7 pupils are claiming free school meals.

Academic attainment

**87%** of pupils from Torry Academy entered a positive destination (education, employment or training) in 2014/15.



The gap in academic attainment remains throughout the school years, with pupils starting Torry Academy further behind than their peers, elsewhere in the city, at the start of S1.

Average Middle Years Information System (MidYIS) S1 scores in 2015/16 were:



**96.4**  
**Aberdeen**



**88.9**  
**Torry Academy**

Torry Academy has the lowest attendance rate in the City.

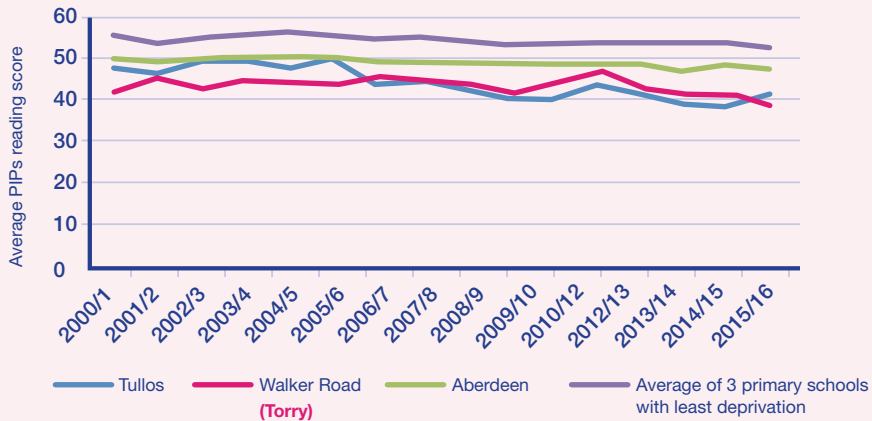


Attendance rates at Walker Road and Tullos Primary Schools are also amongst the lowest in the city.

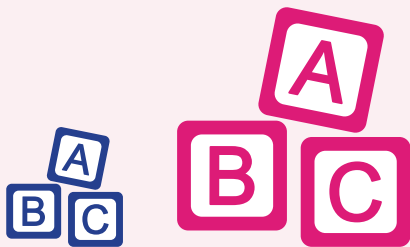
# People

## Reading ability, start P1 2000/01 - 2015/16

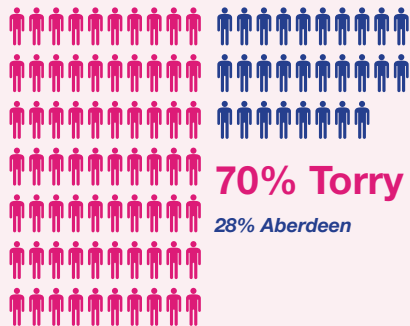
Children starting school in Torry generally start further behind than their peers across the city and this gap continues, and sometimes widens throughout the school years.



In the future, it is projected that there will be a need to almost double childcare provision across the city, as we implement future policies.



Projections are that Torry's population will grow by around 70% by 2037.



# People

12% of the population of Torry are over 65. The over 65s age group is projected to increase in Torry / Ferryhill ward by 34% by 2026.



## Drugs related hospital stays



Drugs related hospital admissions are the second worst in the City in Torry East.

Alcohol admission rates are higher than the city average but are falling.

Torry East has the highest levels of hospitalisation from Chronic Obstructive pulmonary disease in the city. Over twice the average of Aberdeen City.



10% of those claiming benefits in Torry are lone parents.



## Life expectancy: Males



**72.24 years** for Torry East

**70.16 years** for Torry West

84.89 years for Braeside, Mannofield, Broomhill and Seafield North

## Life expectancy: Females

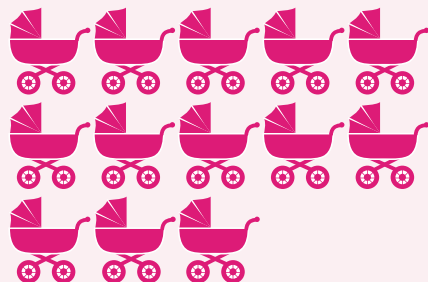


**78.76 years** for Torry East

**75.86 years** for Torry West

87.02 years Balgownie & Donmouth

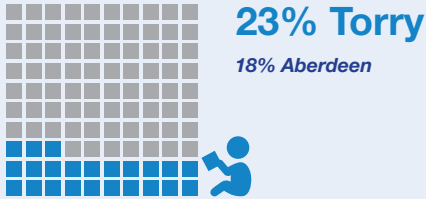
## Teenage pregnancy



**13x more likely in Torry** than in Cults, Bieldside and Milltimber East

# Economy

Estimated Children in Torry / Ferryhill ward who are living in poverty



There are 1 in 6 working age adults who are unemployed in Torry East. This is 1 in 8 in Torry West.



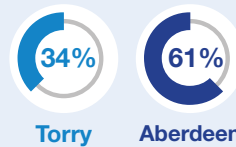
Adults who have no formal qualifications



**1 in 3 adults in Torry**

1 in 5 adults in Aberdeen

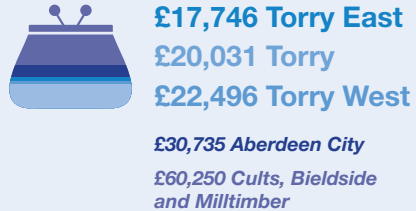
The number of people claiming out of work benefits has risen by 34% between May 2014 and May 2016.



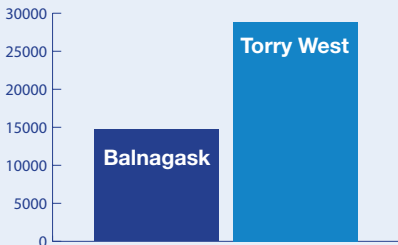
'Health and social care activities' and 'Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles' are the largest employing sectors in the area. These sectors often offer low-paid and low skilled work.



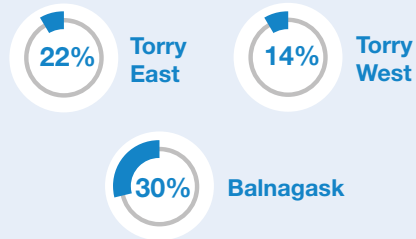
Median household income



There is considerable inequality of income in Torry with median income ranging from £14,722 in Balnagask to almost double that in parts of Torry West - £28,829.



The population in Torry who are income deprived



## Place

Population that travels to their place of work or study by either public transport, on foot or by bicycle



**49% Torry**

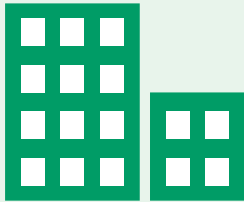
42% Aberdeen

The majority of housing in Torry is rented with the dominant landlord being the Local Authority.

4 houses in every 5 in Balnagask are socially rented.

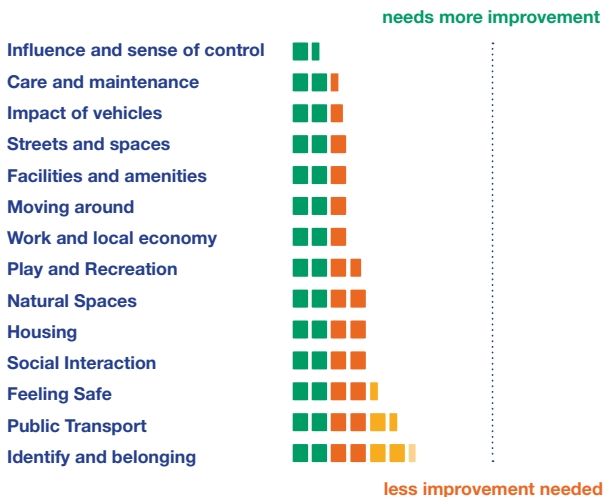


Housing stock is mainly flatted in Torry



## Community Voice

Communities rate the following issues;



# Community Voice

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## People

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Develop services for Drug and Alcohol users in the community



Create more areas for local people to meet and socialise



Additional pre-school, after school provision and child care



Activities for teenagers



Break down language and other multi-cultural barriers



Improve local influence and control over decision making



Increase Employability services and access to adult learning classes

## Place

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Make it safer and easier to walk and cycle round



Access to health services



Reduce traffic impact



Improve public transport links within Torry



Improve and promote the natural environment and local heritage.



Continue to maintain and upgrade housing



Tackle poor air quality due to traffic levels on Victoria and Wellington Roads



Improve cleanliness of the area



Reduce anti-social behaviour in certain areas

## Economy

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Upgrade the shops and look of Victoria Road



Develop initiatives to encourage local people to volunteer



Create new business and employment opportunities

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