Basingstoke and Deane

Hatch Warren and Beggarwood Community Area Profile

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This community area profile captures key facts about community assets, community groups and activities in the ward of Hatch Warren and Beggarwood. It aims to be a useful reference for local services and community groups looking to understand the strengths and assets in the ward.

Hatch Warren and Beggarwood ward is about three miles southwest of Basingstoke town centre. It is well-connected to the rest of Hampshire, with easy access to the M3 motorway.

Population

10,400 (Census 2021)

Demographics

Within the ward:

- 72.4% are economically active* in employment (age group over 16), 2.4% are economically active* but unemployed, 22.4% are economically inactive. This compares to a borough average of 63%, 2.4% and 32.5% respectively.

- Educational attainment is higher with 7.4% having no qualifications compared to a borough average of 14.2%
- The levels of health are reported as very good 55.9% and good 34.8%, compared to the borough average of 50.1% and 35%
- The ethnic makeup has a majority being white 89.8% with 10.2% other ethnicities compared to a borough average of 88.5% and 11.5%

View more demographic information at the Office for National Statistics (https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/sources/census_2021/report)

*Economically active – People who are either in employment or unemployed
**Economically inactive - People who are neither in employment nor unemployed such as students and the retired

Community groups and communication channels

Facebook pages

- Hatch Warren Community Centre Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/hatchwarren/)
- Hatch Warren and Beggarwood Community Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/261710614570353/)
- Spotted Beggarwood and Hatch Warren Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/465633951110707/)
- Hatch Warren Beggarwood Cycling Forum Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/1476015042715709/)
- Beggarwood and Longacre community Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/395853097670882/)
- Beggarwood and Hatch Warren community support Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/603225791017447/)
- Neighbourhood Watch Beggarwood Residents Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/nhwbeggarwoodresidents/)
- Beggarwood, Basingstoke, Hants, UK | Facebook group (https://www.facebook.com/groups/15965315654/)

Newsletters and magazines

The Rabbiter community magazine (https://www.therabbiter.biz/) covers over 4,000 homes in the Hatch Warren and Beggarwood area.

Noticeboards

There are three noticeboards across Hatch Warren and Beggarwood located at:

1. Beggarwood Café in the Park, Beggarwood Community Centre, Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4AQ
2. Hatch Warren Community Centre, Long Cross Lane, Basingstoke, RG22 4XF
3. Sainsbury's supermarket, Wallop Drive, Basingstoke, RG22 4TW

Neighbourhood watch

There are four schemes in the ward. Find out more on the Neighbourhood Watch website (https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/support-our-work/find-my-local-scheme).

Community venues

There are two community centres in the ward, both run by Hatchwarren and Beggarwood Community Association (HWBCA).

Hatch Warren Community Centre (https://www.hatchwarren.org/), Long Cross Lane, Basingstoke, RG22 4XF
The HWBCA provide a variety of activities for children, families and young people from the centre including:

- Warren Tots (https://www.hatchwarren.org/warrentots) a weekly play session for pre-school children and their parents/carers
- The Warren Youth Club (https://www.hatchwarren.org/thewarren) a weekly youth club for young people in years 6 to 8
- Link2 club (https://www.hatchwarren.org/link2) for young adults aged 16 to 28 with learning disabilities and autism

A pre-school is also based at the centre.



Café in the Park (https://www.hatchwarren.org/cafe) and Beggarwood Community Centre (https://www.hatchwarren.org/), Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4AQ

The community café offers lunches, 'chatter and natter' tables, arts and craft sessions and a book club.

A variety of organisations and partners provide more activities across the two centres including school holiday activities, an after-school club, health visitors, uniformed groups, exercise and drama. Space is available for private hire events and parties.

HWBCA run a series of community events throughout the year including quiz nights, a summer festival, comedy club, lager festival, fireworks display, Christmas market, and coach trips.

Voluntary and community sector organisations in the area

- Beggarwood Wildlife Group (https://beggarwoodwildlife.uk/)
- Hatch Warren Nature Facebook Group (https://www.facebook.com/hatchnature)

Leisure, sport and recreation

- Hatch Warren Runners (https://www.hwrunners.co.uk/)
- Hatch Warren and Beggarwood Cycling Club (https://hwbcc.org/)
- Various multi-use games areas and playing fields

Faith based venues offering wider community activities

Immanuel Church (https://www.parishofbasingstokedown.org.uk/locations/immanuel-church/), Danebury Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4US
Hosts regular social events.

Pre-schools and nurseries

- Kiddi-Caru Nursery and Preschool (https://www.grandiruk.com/nurseries/basingstoke/kiddi-caru-basingstoke/), Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4AQ
- Hatch Warren Under Fives preschool (https://hatchwarren.hatchwarrenunderfives.co.uk/), Hatch Warren Community Centre, Longcross Lane, Basingstoke, RG22 4XF
- Dandelions Preschool (https://dandelions-preschool.co.uk/contact-dandelionsandsnapdragons), Danebury Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4US
- Busy Bees nursery (https://www.busybeeschildcare.co.uk/nursery/hatchwarren), Hatch Warren Lane, Basingstoke, RG22 4RA
- Kids Inc nursery (https://www.kidsincnurseries.co.uk/our-nurseries/basingstoke-nursery/), Bradley Way, Basingstoke, RG23 7GF

Primary schools

- St Marks Church of England Primary School (https://www.stmarksprimary.net/), Danebury Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4US
- Hatch Warren Infant School (https://www.hwis.hants.sch.uk/), Gershwin Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4PQ
- Hatch Warren Junior School (https://www.hwjs.hants.sch.uk/), Gershwin Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4PQ

Secondary schools

There is no secondary school in Hatch Warren or Beggarwood ward. The catchment school is:

- Brighton Hill Community School (https://www.brightonhill.org/), Brighton Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4HS

After-school and holiday clubs

- St Marks C of E Primary School after school club (https://www.stmarksprimary.net/clubs/)
- St Marks C of E Primary School breakfast club (https://www.stmarksprimary.net/breakfast-club/)
- Hatch Warren Junior School after school and before school clubs (https://www.hwjs.hants.sch.uk/after-school-before-school-clubs/)

Health provision

- The Camrose, Gillies, Hackwood and Beggarwood Partnership (CGHB) (https://cghpartnership.co.uk/), Beggarwood Surgery, 6 Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4AQ
  Run by Operose Health.
- Beggarwood Dental Surgery (https://www.beggarwooddental.com/), Broadmere Road, Basingstoke, RG22 4AQ

Other service providers working in area

Dashwood Manor Care Home (https://www.careuk.com/care-homes/dashwood-manor-kempshott), Bradley Way, Basingstoke, RG23 7GF

Meadow View Neurological Centre (https://www.inspireneurocare.co.uk/our-services/basingstoke/), Bradley Way, Basingstoke, RG23 7GF

Various housing providers have stock within the ward, these are Abri, Anchor, Clarion, Guinness, Sanctuary and Sovereign Network Group.

Open spaces and play areas

Open spaces at:

- Moorhams Avenue, RG22 4YF
- Watling End, RG22 4TP
- Woodbury Road, RG22 4US
- Hatch Warren Playing Fields, Long Cross Lane, RG22 4XF

Beggarwood Park and Local Nature Reserve (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/beggarwood-park-lnr), RG22 4DG
Includes open space, play areas, outdoor gym, a timber wild zone, a pump track, amphitheatre, picnic benches and a footpath network.

Play areas at:

- Arcadia Close, RG22 4AJ
- Beggarwood Park, RG22 4TT
- Breadels Field, RG22 4QQ
- Constantine Way, RG22 4UR
- Lapin Lane, RG22 4XU
- Lymington Close, RG22 4XL
- Moorhams Avenue, RG22 4YF
- Oyster Close, RG22 4UG
- Petworth Close, RG22 4TR
- Roseberry Close, RG22 4XR
- Sherwood Close, RG22 4DD
- Watling End, RG22 4TP





Allotments

- Beggarwood Lane, RG22 4WU

View the full list of allotments in the borough (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/allotments)

Biodiversity

Our Natural Environment Team is involved in a range of work that protects and enhances the borough's landscapes and habitats, such as developing strategic guidance including the Green Infrastructure Strategy, our Biodiversity Strategy and the emerging Tree Strategy.

Read the Biodiversity Strategy (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/content/page/85440/Biodiversity%20Strategy_accessible.pdf)

Within this ward there are:

- four local green spaces
- one veteran tree
- one local nature reserve
- three Sites Important for Nature Conservation (SINCs)
- 80 parcels of priority habitats, including semi-natural dry grasslands, lowland meadows, beech forests and lowland mixed deciduous woodland.

Local Green Spaces (LGS) –introduced in 2012 NPPF and provide the same level of protection as Green Belt to areas of green space that are particularly valued by their local communities

Local Nature Reserve (LNR) - a national designation for biodiversity and public access. Local authorities declare them and generally own and manage them

Priority habitats – habitats of 'principal importance' listed within in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan (UK BAP) as required under Section 41 of the NERC Act 2006. Also known as 'S41 habitats'

Sites Important for Nature Conservation (SINC) - locally designated sites of value for their biodiversity. They must be considered in any planning application.

Other local facilities

- **Broadmere Road, Beggarwood**
  - Post Office
  - Convenience store
  - Pharmacy
- **Hatch Warren Retail Park, Wallop Drive**
  - Two large supermarkets (including coffee shop)
  - Pet store
  - Veterinary
  - Furniture store

- Fast food outlet
- Discount shop
- Sports retail outlet

There are two pubs with the ward.

Transport

Only 4.8% of households in Hatch Warren and Beggarwood have no access to a car or van, compared to 15.2% for Basingstoke and Deane as a whole.

The area is served by the route 8 and route 12 Stagecoach bus services, connecting the area to the town centre.

Walking to the town centre takes approximately 45 minutes from the edge of Hatch Warren.

Find out more about local cycle routes (https://basingstoke.activemap.co.uk/)

Green infrastructure and climate change

View our green infrastructure strategy (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/natural-environment)



Our Green Team are engaging with residents, communities and organisations in the area, including through events, the parish council and offering residents home energy surveys.

The Hatch Warren Repair Café (https://www.hatchwarren.org/post/introducing-the-hatch-warren-repair-caf%C3%A9-fix-it-don-t-ditch-it) meets on the first Saturday of every month. The café helps people fix their broken belongings and learn how to repair their things.

Find out more about the Green Team (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/green-team)

Political representation

Find details of ward councillors representing the area (https://democracy.basingstoke.gov.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?FN=WARD&VW=LIST&PIC=0)Find details of Hampshire County Council Councillors (https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/councillors)

The ward is within the Basingstoke Parliamentary constituency.

Find details of your local MP (https://members.parliament.uk/members/Commons)

Other local information

Hampshire Constabulary Business Objects data shows that over the past five years the number of crimes reported to the police in Hatch Warren and Beggarwood have fluctuated. Overall crime reports have increased by 32% since 2021/22 and anti-social behaviour has increased by 6%.

Police recorded incidents by year	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Crime	253	310	254	301	335
Anti-social behaviour	66	38	36	42	70

In Hatch Warren and Beggarwood in the past year, the most common types of:

- Crime recorded were violence against the person, theft offences and criminal damage.
- Anti-social behaviour reported to the Police were youth related issues, neighbour-related incidents and vehicle nuisance.

The Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is working hard to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour across the borough. The current priorities for the partnership are:

- improving feelings of safety and health outcomes within the CSP area
- serious violence
- domestic abuse
- anti-social behaviour
- town centre and business crime and anti-social behaviour.

Many actions are being undertaken in relation to these priorities and to address the issues seen locally.

Find out more about the Basingstoke and Deane Strategic Assessment (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/content/page/89005/Safer%20North%20Hampshire%20-%20Basingstoke%20and%20Deane%20-%20Strategic%20Assessment%202024-25.pdf)

Our Community Safety Patrol Officers (https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/cspo-team) focus on anti-social behaviour affecting people and places.

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