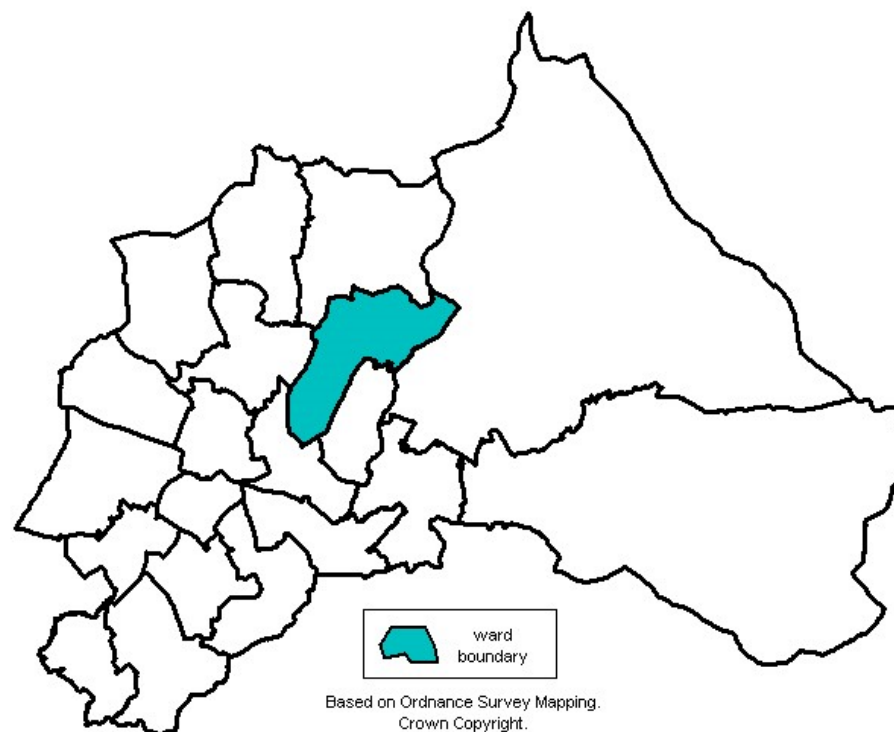
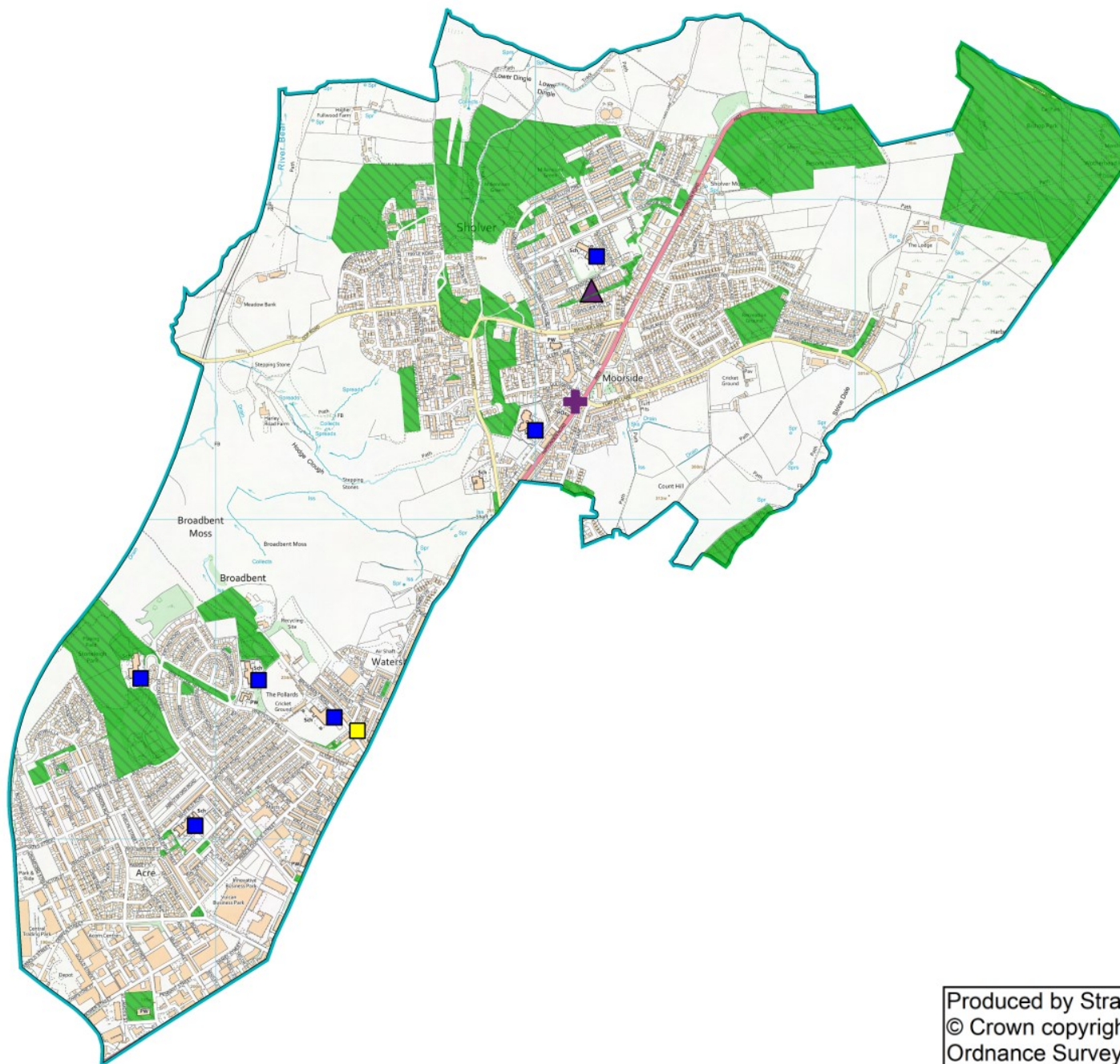


Ward Profile 2019: St James'



St. James' Ward Map



- Legend**
- Green Space
 - + GP
 - ▲ Children's Centre
- Schools**
- Primary
 - Secondary
 - All-through
 - PRU
 - 16 Plus

Population

12,476

2018 Population

(Oldham Population - 224,000)

49.2%

Male Population

(Oldham Male Population - 49.3%)



50.8%

Female Population

(Oldham female population - 50.7%)

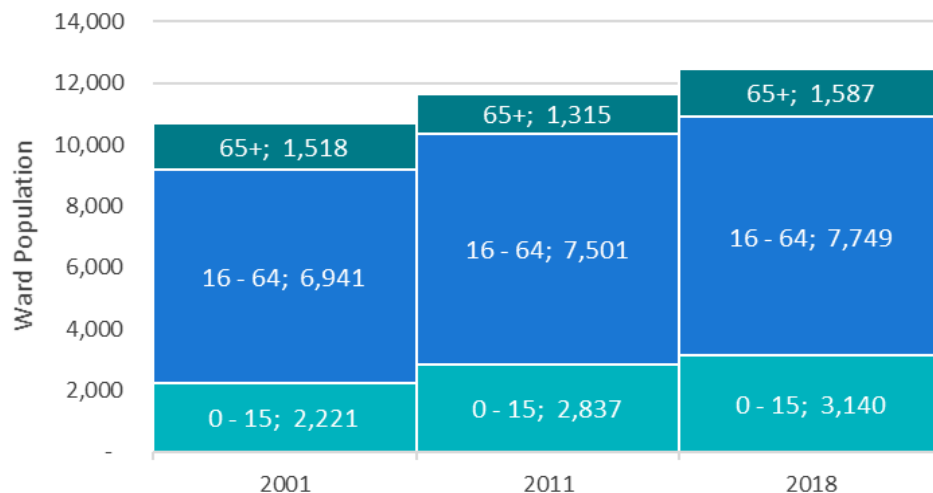


- St James' population has risen steadily in each of the three broad age bands since 2011.
- The 65+ population has grown at the fastest rate - increasing in size by 20% between 2011 and 2018. However, numbers are low, and most growth is driven by an increasing school-age population.
- The ward is predominantly (94.5%) White, and indeed became more white over the previous decade.

Ethnic Composition - Source: ONS Census 2011

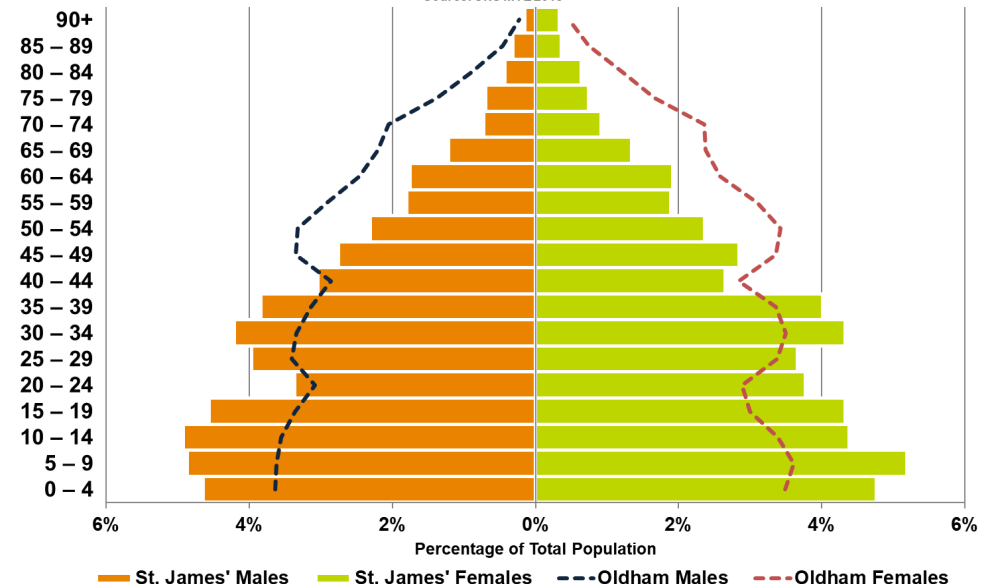
	White (%) 2011 (2001)	Pakistani (%) 2011 (2001)	Bangladeshi (%) 2011 (2001)	Other (%) 2011 (2001)
St James'	94.5 (95.1)	0.5 (1.0)	0.3 (1.1)	5.7 (2.8)
Oldham	77.5 (87.1)	9.1 (5.9)	6.6 (4.1)	4.9 (2.9)
England	85.4 (90.9)	2.1 (1.4)	0.8 (0.6)	11.7 (7.1)

Broad Age Bands in St James'



St. James' Age Composition

Source: ONS MYE 2018



Economy and Income

£16,021 

Median Household Income
(Oldham Average = £22,289)

62.3%

Employment Rate

(Oldham Average = 58.2%)



7.4%

Youth Unemployment

(Oldham Average = 7.0%)



- St James' is one of Oldham's most deprived wards, and has the second lowest median household income in the borough.
- Dependency on out-of-work benefits (11.2%) is roughly the same as the Oldham average (11.0%).
- Levels of employment (62.3%) are higher than the Oldham average (58.2%).

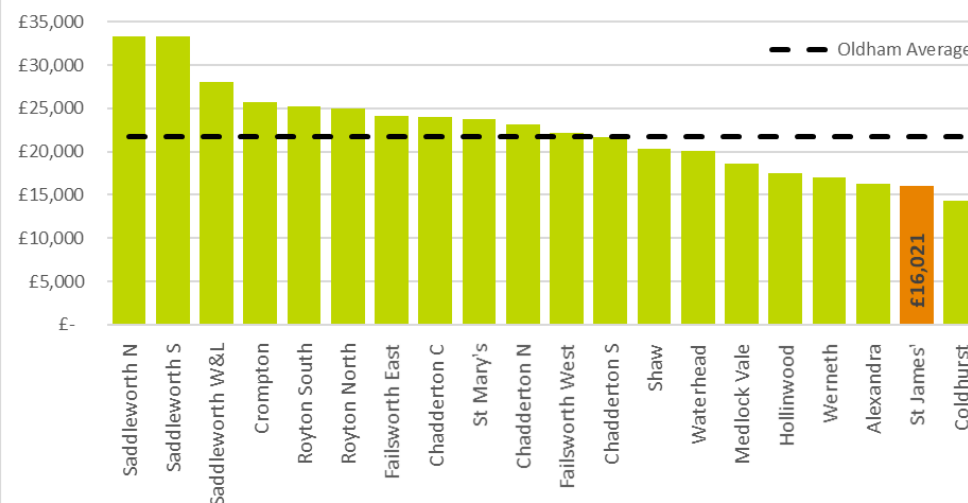
Economic Status (aged 16-74) - Source ONS Census 2011

	St James' (Number)	St James' (%)	Oldham %	England %
Employed	5,085	62.3	58.2	62.1
Part-time	1,109	13.6	13.9	13.7
Full-time	3,369	41.3	36.6	38.6
Self employed	607	7.4	7.8	9.8

Out of Work Benefit Claimants (Aged 16-64) - Source: DWP 2019

	St James' (Number)	St James' (%)	Oldham (%)	England (%)
Employment Support Allowance (ESA)	630	6.8	6.2	5.0
Universal Credit (UC)	391	4.2	4.5	2.7
Total Out of Work Benefit Claimants	1,045	11.2	11.0	8.1

Median Household Income



Housing

4,797



Number of Households

10.9%



Households in Fuel Poverty
(Oldham average - 12.1%)

£122,250



Median Sold House Price
Oldham average = £130,000

- 27.2% of St James's housing stock is social rented properties, compared to 21.1% in Oldham as a whole.
- The average sold house price in the ward is 6.0% lower than the Oldham average.
- 52% of households can afford to keep their house in a decent state of repair.

Housing Tenure: Source ONS Census 2011

	2011			2001		
	% Owner occupied	% Social rented	% Private rented	% Owner occupied	% Social rented	% Private rented
St James'	60.0	27.2	12.1	60.4	29.4	7.0
Oldham	65.3	21.1	12.2	68.4	22.9	5.5
England	64.1	17.7	16.8	68.7	19.3	8.8

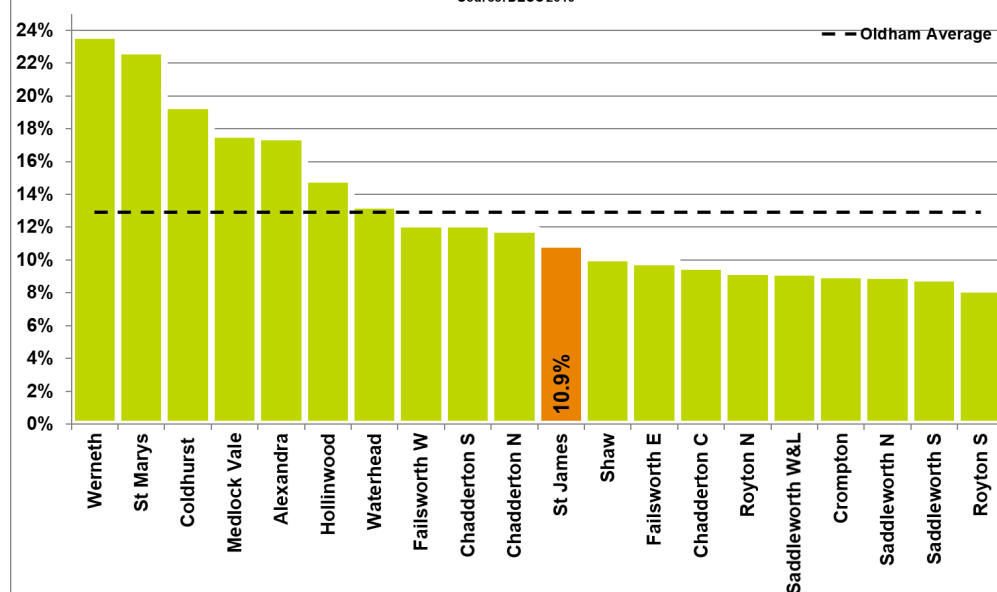
Housing

Sources: Oldham Council 2019, You and Your Community Survey 2013

	St James' (%)	Oldham (%)
Vacant properties	2.4	3.3
Claiming Council Tax Reduction and/or Housing Benefit	22.3	20.7
Can afford to keep house in decent state of repair	52	54
Pre-pay energy meters	32	20


Fuel Poverty


Source: DECC 2019



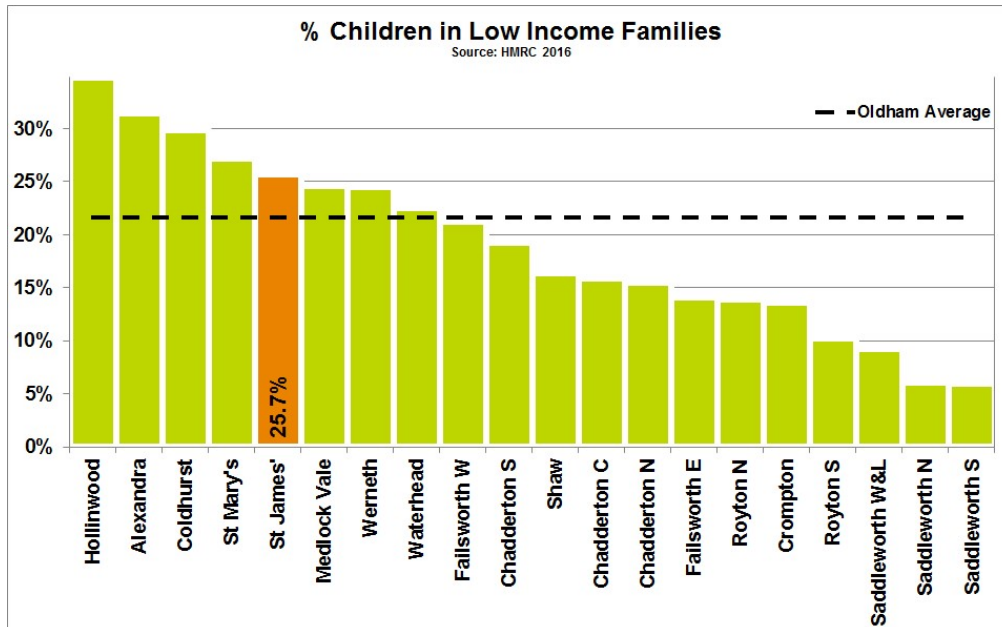
Household Composition

28.6% 
Single Person Households
 (Oldham average = 30.3%)

18.3% 
Lone Parent households
 (Oldham average = 13.1%)

6.4% 
Overcrowded households
 Oldham average = 7.5%)

- St James' has a lower proportion of single person households (28.6%) than the Oldham average (30.3%).
- The proportion of lone parent households in the ward (18.3%) is higher than the Oldham average (13.1%).
- The proportion of households overcrowded in the ward (6.4%) is lower than the Oldham average (7.5%).



Household Composition - Source ONS Census 2011

	St James' (%)	Oldham (%)	England (%)
Single person households aged under 65	19.6	17.1	17.9
Single person households aged 65 and over	9.0	12.8	12.4
Married couples	34.9	39.7	41.3
Cohabiting couples	13.7	10.2	9.9
Lone parents (with dependent children)	13.9	9.1	7.1
Lone parents (without dependent children)	4.4	4.0	3.5
Other	4.5	7.1	8.0

Types of Households - Source: ONS Census 2011

Households with:	St James' (%)	Oldham (%)
No Children	57.7	60.7
One Person Household	29	30

Education and Skills

64.0%



Early Years
“Good Level of Development”
 (Oldham average - 68.1%)

29.2%

Adults with No Qualifications
 (Oldham average - 29.6%)

15.7%



Adults with Degree
 (Oldham average - 18.6%)

- 64% of pupils in St James' leave the Early Years Foundation stage with a Good Level of Development. This compares to 68.1% in Oldham as a whole.
- GCSE outcomes are below average. 53% of pupils attain Grade 4 or above in English and Maths GCSE, compared with 56.1% in Oldham as a whole. 3.7% of pupils gain no GCSE passes, compared with 2.7% in Oldham as a whole.
- Adult skills are just below borough averages.

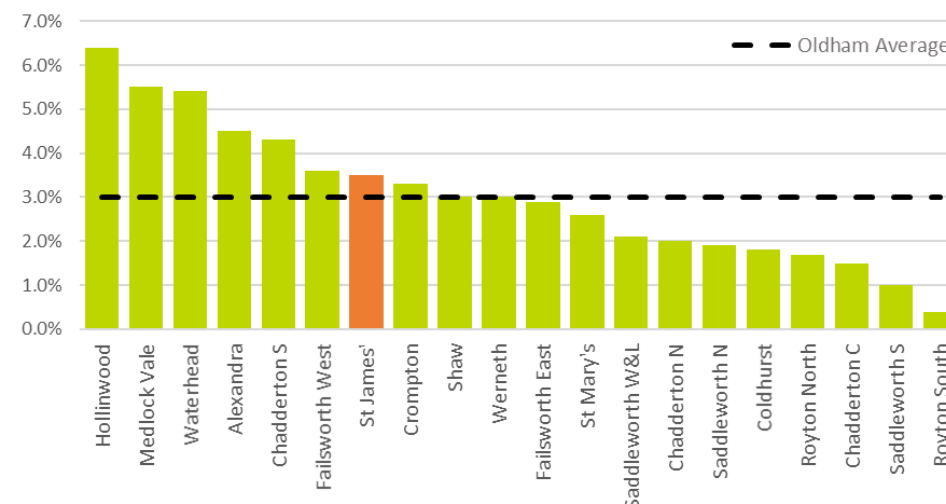
Early Years Foundation Stage 2018

Good Level of Development:	St James' (%)	Oldham (%)
All	58.3	68.1
Boys	44.2	60.5
Girls	71.9	75.5

GCSE Results 2019

	St James'	Oldham	England
GCSE Attainment 8 score	38.6	42.3	46.6
Attaining Grade 4 or above in English and maths GCSEs	45.3%	56.1%	64.4%
No GCSE passes	3.3%	2.7%	2.0%

Not in Education, Employment or Training



Health

18.4%



Limiting Long-Term Illnesses
(Oldham Average - 16.3%)

75.1



Male Life Expectancy
(Oldham Average - 77.2)

78.5



Female Life Expectancy
(Oldham Average - 80.9)

- St James' Male Life Expectancy (75.1 years) is lower than the Oldham wide average for males (77.2 years).
- St James' Female Life Expectancy (78.5 years) is lower than the Oldham wide average for females (80.9 years).
- A lower proportion of Year 6 children (19.8%) are obese than in Oldham as a whole (23.4%).

Health Outcomes Public Health England

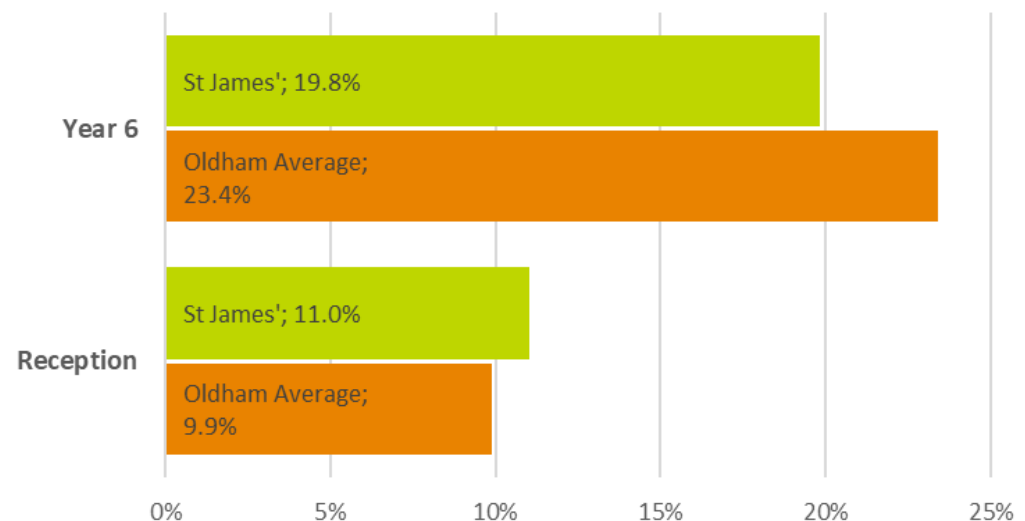
	St James'	Oldham
Emergency hospital admissions - all causes (ratio)	131.8	126.0
Emergency hospital admissions - CHD (ratio)	101.6	137.6
Under 75 deaths all causes (ratio)	156.3	129.0
Under 75 deaths for cancer (ratio)	136.8	123.0
Prevalence of Obesity in Year 6 Children	19.8%	23.4%

Health Behaviours

Bridgewater 2017 / Mosaic 2019 / PHE 2013/14-2017/18

	St James'	Oldham
Mothers breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks %	30.6%	37.5%
Smoking %	28.5%	24.3%
Hospital stays for alcohol related harm (narrow definition) (ratio)	122.6	106.6

Childhood Obesity Rates



Community Safety

1,445

Reported Crimes

(Oldham Average - 1,483)

95

Reported Crimes Rate

Rate per 10,000 population
(Oldham Average - 124)



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Fatal or Serious

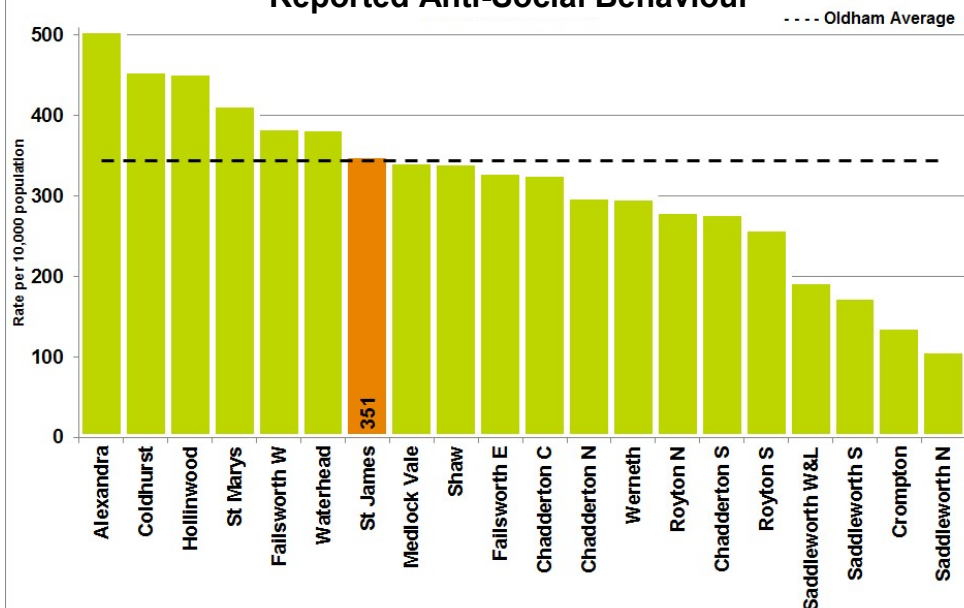
Road Traffic Accidents

- St James' rate of reported Anti-Social Behaviour is similar to the average for the borough.
- The overall rate of reported crimes is lower than the Oldham average.
- Police intelligence suggests a fall in the rate of reporting. New crime recording standards have changed the classification of certain offences, meaning we can't compare over time.

Crime Statistics - Rates per 10,000 Population

Crime	St James'	Oldham
Burglary (Rate)	7	11
Criminal Damage (Rate)	15	15
Drug Offences (Rate)	1	2
Other Offences (Rate)	3	5
Robbery (Rate)	1	2
Sexual Offences (Rate)	3	3
Theft and Handling Stolen Goods (Rate)	18	32
Violence Against the Person (Rate)	49	54
Total Crime (Rate)	95	124

Reported Anti-Social Behaviour



Most Committed Crimes

Crime	Number of Reported Incidents in Year
Violence Against the Person	739
Theft and Handling Stolen Goods	270
Criminal Damage	221

Community

62%



Satisfied with Local Area
(Oldham average = 71%)

25.3%



Turnout to Local Election
(Oldham average = 33.0%)

33%

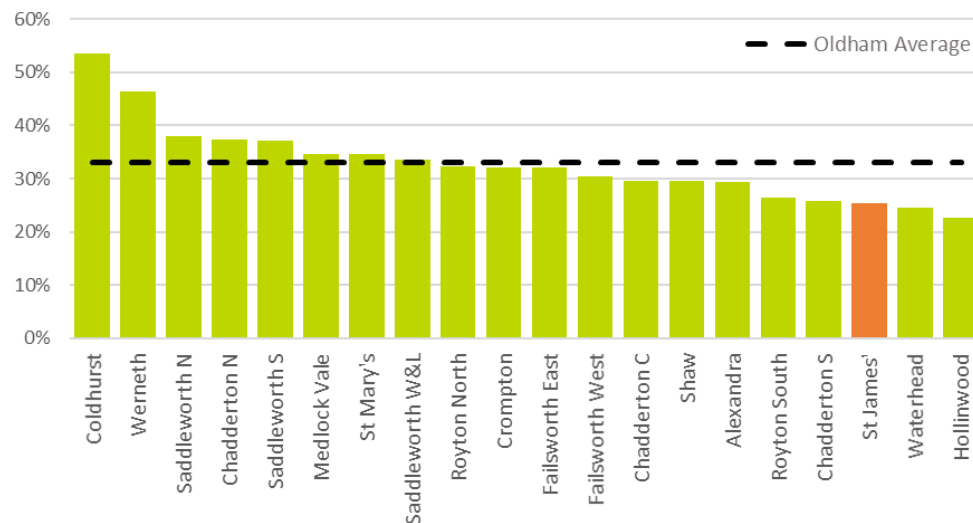


Volunteered in Last 12 Months
(Oldham average = 38%)

St James' Ward comprises the communities "up the hill" (Moorside and Sholver), and "down the hill" (Derker and part of Watersheddings.) Derker is split into "Top" and "Bottom" Derker, and divided between private and social housing. Anti-social behaviour is a worry for local people, but there is a strong sense of identity in the area, and people come together around the fantastic Stoneleigh Park. Access to the Metrolink has allowed young people in particular to travel more widely within Oldham and beyond. Vacant housing plots have been a concern for some time, but these are now starting to be developed. The journey up and down the hill can sometimes serve to isolate the residents of Sholver, but people make good use of local amenities, including the shops on Coleridge Road and Ripponden Road, and community activities at Sholver Community Centre, Fulwood Nature Reserve and the St James' Children's Centre. More recently, local people have expressed concerns about the possible impact of proposed development in the area.

Moorside is a more affluent area, with a slightly older population, and larger family housing. There is easy access to the countryside via Strinesdale, and Moorside Cricket Club provides a valuable focal point for the community. Local people tend to be concerned about the possibility of housing development in the area.

Voter Turnout



Co-operation and Cohesion: You and Your Community Survey 2013

	St James' %	Oldham %
Satisfied with local area as place to live	62	71
Dissatisfied with local area as place to live	14	15
Feel very involved/fairly involved in your local community	23	26
Have volunteered in last 12 months	33	38
Neighbourhood is a place where people from different ethnic backgrounds get on well together	24	30

Sources

Population:	Office for National Statistics (ONS) Census 2011 Office for National Statistics (ONS) Mid Year estimates 2018.
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Housing:	Office of National Statistics (ONS) Census 2011, Land Registry 2019, You and Your Community Survey, September 2013, Ipsos MORI, Oldham Council Benefits Data 2019, Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC) 2013.
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Cooperation and Community:	You and Your Community Survey 2013, Ipsos MORI, Oldham Council Elections Data 2019

Further Information

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