

# Nottingham City Council assessment

## [How we assess local authorities](#)

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Assessing how local authorities meet their duties under Part 1 of the [Care Act \(2014\)](#) is a new responsibility for CQC. We have been piloting our approach to these new assessments in 5 local authorities that volunteered to participate. Our assessment of Nottingham City Council was part of the pilots. We will be incorporating any learning from the pilots and evaluation into our formal assessment approach.

## About Nottingham City Council

### Demographics

Nottingham is a diverse and vibrant city. The city has a young population; 11.6% of people are aged 65 and older compared with the national average of 18.6%. The population of Nottingham is projected to have increased to 344,300 by 2027, which is a 2% increase from the mid-year estimates of 2020. In the short to medium term, the city is unlikely to follow the national trend of seeing large increases in the number of people over retirement age, although the number aged 85 plus is projected to increase.

Nottingham has high levels of people arriving and leaving the city, with 25% of the population born outside of the UK. Nottingham ranks as the 11th most deprived area in the country, resulting in a high demand for care and support. Labour currently has control of the local authority with 51 councillors out of 55.

## Financial facts

- The local authority estimated that in 2022/23, its total budget would be £522,707,000. Its actual spend for that year was £560,303,000 which was £37,596,000 more than estimated.
- The local authority estimated that it would spend £114,794,000 of its total budget on adult social care in 2022/23. Its actual spend was £123,296,000, which is £8,502,000 more than estimated.
- In 2022/2023, 22% of the budget was spent on adult social care.
- The local authority has raised the full adult social care precept for 2022/23 and 2023/24. Please note that the amount raised through adult social care precept varies from local authority to local authority.
- Approximately 5,900 people were accessing long-term adult social care support, and approximately 1,320 people were accessing short-term adult social care support in 2022/23. Local authorities spend money on a range of adult social care services, including supporting individuals. No two care packages are the same and vary significantly in their intensity, duration, and cost.

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