

Culture & Placemaking Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

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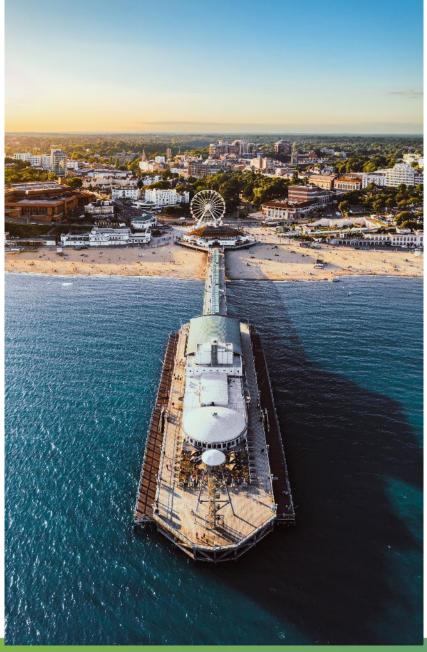
Introducing Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole

- Population growth driven by net migration
- An ageing population
- Higher than average health and wellbeing
- Increasing diversity with over 80 languages spoken
- Wages below the national average
- House prices higher than national average















UK Vitality Index 2022

(health of UK's largest towns and cities outside of London):

4th place - Bournemouth

5th place - Poole

"I feel lucky to live in the UK's best location, surrounded by everything you need and want; beach, un-spoilt nature, and the best climate."

Town centre perceptions



"I wouldn't go to Bournemouth town centre anymore – I don't feel safe. It doesn't feel made for me, it's rammed full of students."

Bournemouth Female, With Kids





"The High Street feels like a special community. It's a real personal experience as everyone knows everyone, so visiting the cafés and bars feels like a home away from home."

Christchurch Male, Empty Nester

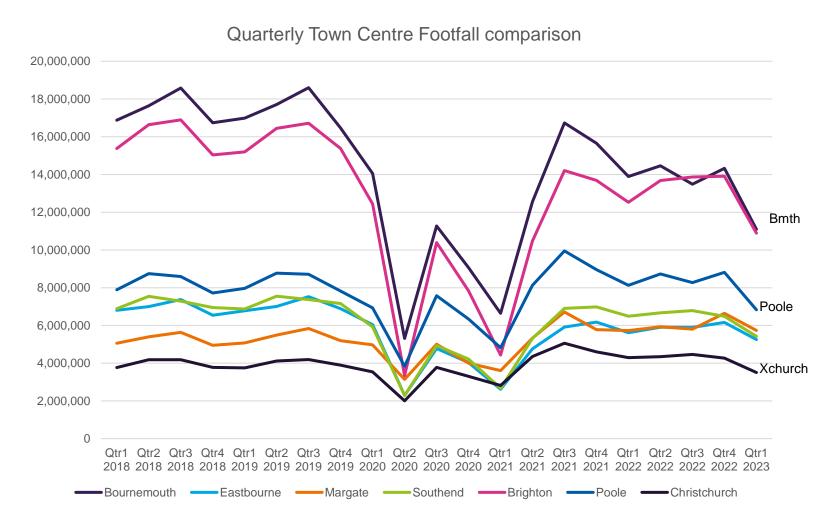
"Kingland Crescent is awesome, it brings a new vibe and community to Poole which we were lacking. Everyone feels connected to the scheme in the area & wants to support the businesses."

Poole Female, With Kids >>>



What is happening to our town centres







DIVERSIFY OR DIE

Private Sector Low cost Tourism/Visitor Office space housing Flexible space attractions Food/Beverage Theatre School/education establishments Indoor markets Food/Grocery Cycle Non-Food retail Culture & Heritage Cym/Leisure centre Cym/Leisure Centre Rail hub Car parking Public realm Open spaces Public realm and parks Street markets Pop up shops Low cost Flexible workspace Pharmacies Meanwhile uses Community hall Health centres









- Community led: community conversations, empowering Council, lived experience
- Enabling Communities: community involvement not community engagement or community consultation
- Green Council: with environment and climate mitigation and adaption at its heart
- Grass roots up: open and transparent Council that devolves powers to its communities
- Lived experience: living the Council's values of respect, passion, innovation, integrity









Thriving Places

Connecting people to opportunity

West Howe Community Day 2022

Public art and public space



Civic pride * Local identity * Visitor attraction * Engage diverse communities



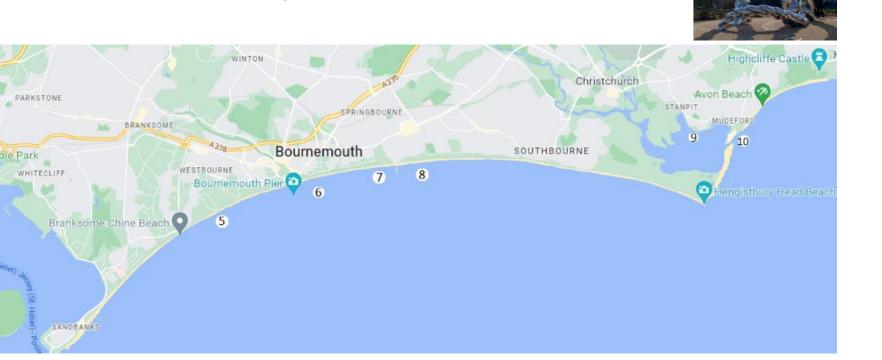
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Public art is part of our public history, of our evolving culture and of our collective memory. It reflects and reveals our society and adds meaning to our cities.







2019 - BCP Cultural Enquiry identifies priorities

TALENT INFRASTRUCTURE PLACE

OUR DEVELOPMENT GOALS

TALENT

Embrace creative education, develop a skilled workforce, champion diverse cultural expression and enable people of all backgrounds to actively participate in the cultural life of our communities and the region as a whole.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Build cultural capacity by using the excellence of existing hubs, venues and organisations, developing new spaces and boosting the region as a place that produces and hosts great art and culture of international significance.

PLACE

Embed culture in planning and placemaking, with a focus on nurturing distinctive neighbourhoods, dynamic town centres, accessible and imaginative public spaces, urban mobility and an attention to social cohesion, health and wellbeing and environmental sustainability.

Cultural Compact



2021 – Cultural Compact is formed

2022 - Compact develops Cultural Strategy in partnership with Council



By 2032 Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole will be home to a world-class arts and cultural scene, recognised alongside core cultural UK cities¹ as a regional powerhouse for the arts, a leading cultural destination and at its heart a great place to live.



Cultural Strategy



2023 – Cultural Strategy approved by Cabinet









Owned by the Cultural Compact. Enabled by the Council.

Our cultural eco-system



OUR CULTURAL AND **CREATIVE ECONOMY**

IN NUMBERS

STUDENTS: 35,000

Across further education, higher education and post-graduates). 10.000

one of the largest event, exhibition and conference venues on the south coast.

ARTS BY THE SEA FESTIVAL 2022:

£2.5m VISITOR SPEND

120k visitors 214 performers 5 new commissions

DIGITAL TECH:

7,500 jobs

Fastest growing sector in UK:

7,500 jobs generating

£363m GVA

(Technation report 2018)

POPULATION:

400,300 14th largest LA in England and 6th most densely populated in South West (ONS 2021).

PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS:

1,281,500 attendances across 4,354 events

at BIC, Pavilion, Lighthouse, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Pavilion Dance South West, Russell -Cotes Art Gallery and Museum, Poole Museum, SoundStorm/Wave, Arts by the Sea Festival and Inside Out Dorset Festival in 2019/20.



BCP COUNCIL INVESTMENT: £7.78

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:

591

Opportunities offered across BIC, Pavilion, Lighthouse, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Pavlion Dance South West, Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum, Highcliffe Castle, Poole Museum, SoundStorm/Wave, Arts by the Sea Festival and Inside Out Dorset Festival in 2019/20.



LOCATION: 40 miles



GRADE I LISTED BUILDINGS: **■18**

sponsorship and donations and £6.9m of earned income: a ROI of £11 for every £1 of Council support (2019/20).



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Funded by ACE 2023-26: Arts by the Sea Festival, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Pavilion Dance South West Ltd, Poole Arts Trust Ltd (Lighthouse Poole) and Wessex Museums Trust (Poole Museum).



LANGUAGES SPOKEN

85

An increasingly diverse community 12% global majority and over 85 languages spoken.







RETURN ON INVESTMENT:

BCP funding of £1.1m leveraged a further £5.4m of funding,



(Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021)





12.141 tourism jobs (2021) -29% on 2019, +55% on 2020 6% of total BCP area workforce



£417.936.000 GVA

Contribution to local economy in 2021

> -52% on 2019 +30% on 2020



+51% on 2020



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business turnover (direct, indirect & induced) 2021 -30% on 2019



Visitor satisfaction, consistent across all 3 centres. Return visit likelihood 7.8/10

15 miles of seafront

harbour landscape

plus 26 miles of



8,830,000 day visitors (2021) -23% on 2019, +48% on 2020 1,053,500 stay visitors 2021

-41% on 2019 +42% on 2020

Our Visitor Economy in Numbers



£63m a year: our coastal open spaces (2022)





LARGEST **REGIONAL CENTRE** FOR EFL IN UK



Featuring 12 Blue Flags (more than any other **UK** destination)

TOURISM STRATEGY: 2023 - 2027

Meanwhile





















Thank you

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