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ST ANDREWS DRIVE



Welcome to the latest edition of the St Andrews Drive GoWell newsletter. You may remember receiving our last newsletter earlier this year in which we told you about general progress for the GoWell programme and what we had planned for this year.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with GoWell, it is a ten year programme looking at the impacts of housing and neighbourhood regeneration on the health and wellbeing of communities. One of the ways we do this is through our survey of residents. Our first survey was in 2006 and we have already circulated newsletters with the findings from that. We completed our second survey in August 2008 and we are planning to carry out another two in 2011 and 2013. Over time this will give us a picture of how regeneration is affecting residents like yourself. What are the important changes? Have things got better or worse – and for whom? These findings will be used to help planners improve services and regeneration in your area and elsewhere in the future.

Many of you who read this may have taken part in one or both of our surveys. To those of you who did take part, once again we thank you very much for your time.

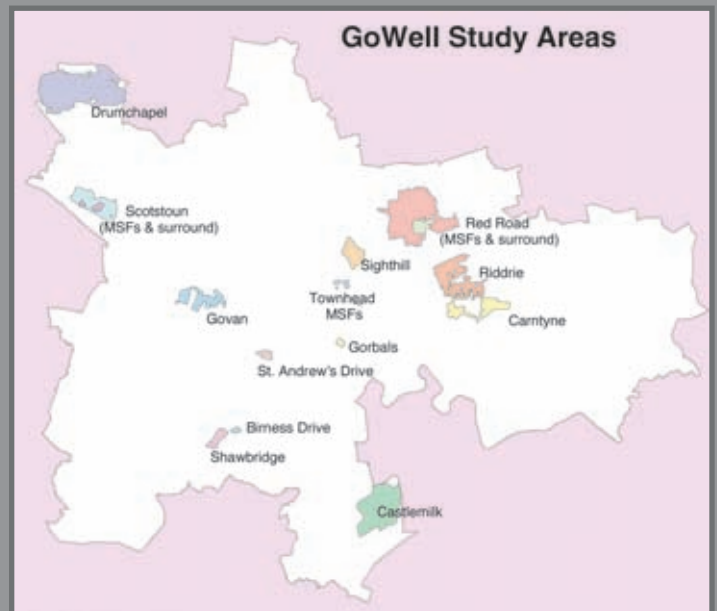
You live in one of the areas of Glasgow that is experiencing some of the biggest changes – so **we are especially interested in hearing from you and your neighbours in St Andrews Drive**. In our future surveys we'd like to revisit as many of you as possible who have already taken part in GoWell. That includes people who remain in St Andrews Drive and the people who move on. Wherever you are, we'd like to understand how things have changed for you over time and whether the regeneration of St Andrews Drive has affected you.

For this reason we have included a contact details postcard and we would greatly appreciate it if you could complete and return this freepost card. **We will enter your returned card into a prize draw** for the chance to win first prize of £150, second prize of £50 or third prize of £30 in supermarket vouchers.

Since our last newsletter we have been comparing what residents told us in our most recent survey in 2008 with what they told us back in 2006. We are pleased to provide you with a summary of this. As you will see, some issues have remained much the same, some have improved, while others have got worse. We hope they will be of interest to you.



WHO'S INCLUDED?



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There are 15 different areas in Glasgow included in our study – one of which is St Andrews Drive, as shown on the above map.



KEY FINDINGS

178 St Andrews Drive residents took part in the first survey in 2006 and 275 took part in the second survey in 2008. Below is a summary of some of the things they told us about living in St Andrews Drive.

- Most people who took part in the survey are satisfied with their homes and this has increased from 59% of people saying they were satisfied with their home in 2006 to 69% of people in 2008.
- Most people also said they are satisfied with the neighbourhood as a place to live and this has also increased over time with 75% of people saying they are satisfied with the neighbourhood in 2008, compared to 56% in 2006.
- Many of the local public services and amenities in St Andrews Drive are seen to have improved. For example, the number of people who rated shops as good increased from 46% in 2006 to 73% in 2008; ratings for parks/open spaces from 43% in 2006 to 71% in 2008; and the ratings for childcare and nurseries has risen from 47% in 2006 to 64% in 2008.
- We asked some questions about whether anti-social behaviour issues are a problem in St Andrews Drive. Over 40% of people said that vandalism/graffiti is a 'serious problem' in the area. Almost a quarter of people also said that people dealing or using drugs; drunk or rowdy behaviour; and rubbish or litter lying about were a 'serious problem' in the area. However, many of these have reduced since 2006.



- Feelings of safety at night-time have declined. In 2006, 21% of people said they either felt very unsafe or never walk alone after dark but this had risen to 44% of people feeling this way in 2008.
- When asked whether they felt the reputation of St Andrews Drive had changed over the past two years: just over half (54%) felt it had stayed the same; 14% felt it had got better; while 32% felt it had got worse.
- More people now feel that people from different backgrounds in the area get on well together. This increased from 79% in 2006 to 86% in 2008.
- More people feel like they can have a say in decisions that affect them. For example, the number of people who feel their landlord or factor takes account of residents' views when making decisions increased from 38% in 2006 to 56% in 2008. Although still low, the proportion of people who feel that either on their own or with others they can influence decisions affecting the local area has doubled – from 15% in 2006 to 32% in 2008.
- Self-reported health has remained stable, with 69% of participants in both 2006 and 2008 rating their health as 'excellent' or 'good'.
- There has been little change in the number of people that report they smoke between 2006 and 2008 (47% in 2008 and 48% in 2006).



WHAT NEXT:



Over the coming year we will send you a series of newsletters, each of which will focus on a particular issue and provide you with the survey responses for that issue in more detail.

In addition to sharing the survey findings with you and your neighbours through this newsletter, we're offering presentations to local stakeholders and service providers such as local housing organisations, community planning partnerships, and community health and care partnerships. If you belong to a community group that would be interested in hearing a presentation and discussion of the findings for St Andrews Drive please contact Jennie Coyle on the details below.

All the personal information we collect is completely confidential and anonymous and is not shared with anyone outside the research team.

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