





# SMETHWICK PLAN FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS

10-YEAR REGENERATION PLAN QUICK GUIDE



## Our vision

## **Smethwick 2036**

A connected, thriving community

"In 10 years, Smethwick is a vibrant, inclusive town powered by opportunity, innovation and community pride.

With thriving high streets, modern transport, green spaces, and world-class learning and job opportunities, it's a place where people of all ages and backgrounds can live, grow and belong."

Smethwick Plan for Neighbourhoods Vision Statement

## Introduction

#### What is this plan about?

The 10-Year Regeneration Plan explains how Smethwick will improve over the next 10 years. It is about making our town a better place to live, work and feel safe.

#### Why do we need this plan?

Smethwick communities told us:



Some streets and neighbourhoods feel unsafe



High streets need imporving



Health is a major concern



Young people need more chances



Communities want to feel stronger and more united

#### Who helped make this plan?

Local people, community groups, schools, organisations, and public services helped shape this plan. Your voice is important and will guide what happens next.

What will change in Smethwick?

#### Better high streets and places. This could mean...

- Cleaner, brighter and safer streets
- Better lighting and pavements
- Improvements to parks and green spaces
- Protecting important local buildings

#### Better health and wellbeing. This could mean...

- · More local health and wellbeing support
- · Activities to help people stay active
- Improvements to parks, sports and community spaces

#### Safer neighbourhoods. This could mean...

- · Working with police and communities
- More lighting, CCTV and safer walking routes
- · Projects for young people to prevent problems early

#### More chances for children, young people and adults. This could mean...

- Better youth services
- New places to learn skills
- More help to get jobs and training
- Support for families

As well as **better transport connectivity** and **housing upgrades** that improve energy efficiency.



### What makes Smethwick special?

- · Smethwick is diverse and proud
- · Over half of us come from different backgrounds and cultures
- Our community spirit is our biggest strength



### How decisions are made

- Local people identity priorities and share ideas
- The Smethwick Partnership Board listens and helps choose projects
  many projects will be delivered by local community groups
- Sandwell Council makes sure money is spent properly and in accordance with the rules set by Government.

How can you get involved?

Over the next 10 years, we will hold:

- Community workshops
- · Online updates
- Events with schools, faith groups and community organisations

## Our promise

We will:

- Listen to local people
- Share updates clearly
- · Work together to make Smethwick safer, stronger and fairer

## Together, we can achieve more.

This is a quick guide of the 10-Year Regeneration Plan for Smethwick.

The full Plan, submitted to Government in November 2025, and a summary version are both available to view <u>here</u>.







