



Education and Healthcare



Education and schools

Bristol has a wide range of educational facilities to meet the varied needs of children of school age and under.

Significant infrastructural investment is underway through the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme, which has allocated £220 million to the building of four new schools and the refurbishment of six existing schools.

In addition four new secondary school buildings have been completed and funded by the PFI Grouped School Project, namely, Henbury School, Portway School, Monks Park and Bedminster Down. Bristol City Council has also procured and built two new schools, Redland Green and Fairfield.

The city is working hard to meet the challenge of raising educational attainment amongst the school age population. Some schools featured recently in the top 100 based on value added measures and sustained improvement schools.

OFSTED has recognised Bristol as a “city where learning comes first”. There are also a large number of private schools in the area, including some of the best in the country.



Healthcare

Bristol's healthcare services include Bristol Royal Infirmary and the Bristol Royal Hospital for Children, which are first class teaching hospitals.

Specialist hospitals provide homeopathic services, eye and dental treatment. Frenchay Hospital specialises in neurosurgery, while Southmead offers expertise in orthopaedics, renal medicine and transplantation.

The Government has also approved plans for a privately funded £45m South Bristol Community Hospital (Hengrove Park) - due to open in 2009.