

VCSE value and impact: Barnsley

How many VCSE organisations are there in Barnsley?



What are the characteristics of these organisations?

69% of registered third sector organisations in Barnsley are **charities**.



Most survey respondents said that their work was **locally focused**. 58% are operating only within Barnsley.

VCSE organisations are smaller in size, with the majority being **micro** (under £10k income) or **small** (£10k-£100k)



How are they funded?

VCSE organisations receive funding from a **range of sources** with the highest levels coming from:

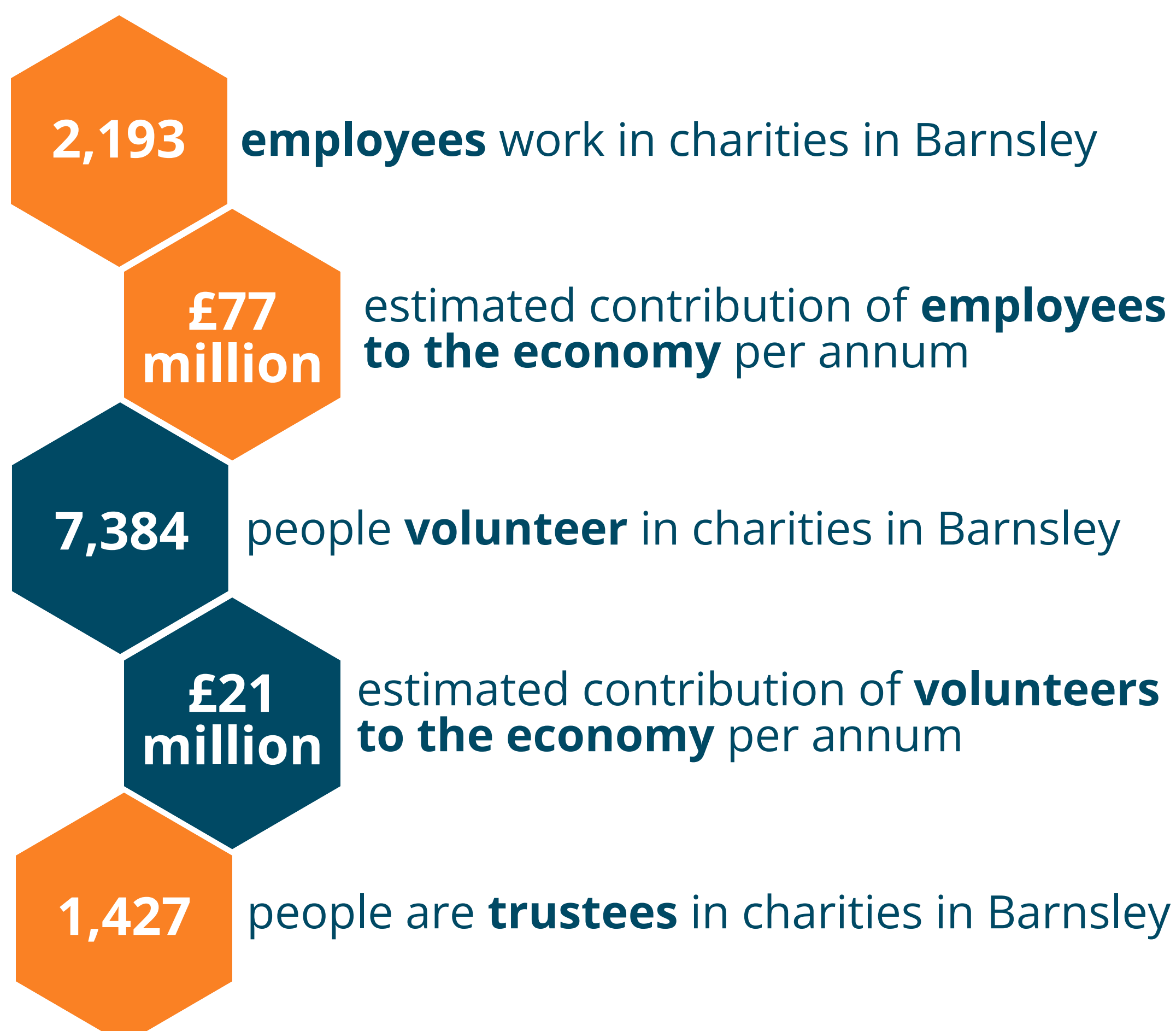
- **grants from trusts and foundations** (30%)
- **fees and earned income** (21%)
- **grants from the public sector** (19%)
- **public donations** (11%)



Large and medium organisations receive higher proportions of their income through **contracts or service agreements** (25%) than smaller ones (2%).

Overall income of charities in Barnsley: **£61 million**

What does the workforce of the sector look like, and how do volunteers contribute?

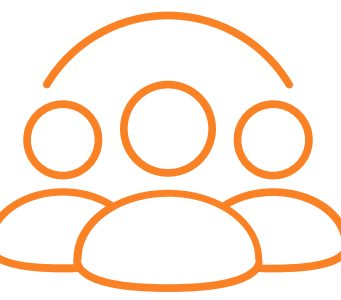


What are the key impacts of the VCSE in Barnsley?



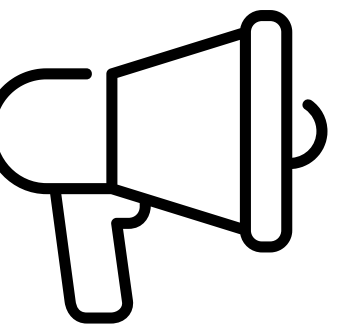
Supporting health and wellbeing

Supporting local communities and increasing participation



Providing advice and training

Advocacy and awareness raising



Who is supported by the VCSE in Barnsley?

Many organisations have a focus on **diversity, equity and inclusion**. Some are specifically dedicated to serving particular groups, including:

- **older people** (25%)
- **young people** (24%)
- **disabled people** (20%)
- people who are **educationally or economically disadvantaged** (16%)



Who else do VCSE organisations work with?



What are the key challenges facing the VCSE sector in Barnsley and how are organisations responding?



Organisations report **increased expenditure** (e.g. cost of living increases) whilst income (including funding) is not keeping up with this.

There is a gap between **increasing and high levels of demand** for services and the **capacity of organisations** to meet this need.



Recruitment and retention of volunteers, and **staff and volunteer wellbeing** are key concerns.

In response, some organisations have:

Increased the price of their services

Made changes to the organisations aims and/or service focus

Sought expert advice or support

Reduced the level or number of services they provide