

## Bolsover District Council - Growth Summary – 2018-19 Outturn

### Unlocking Our Growth Potential

In 2014 the Council committed to a strategy to focus on unlocking the potential to deliver growth for the district. Through the Growth Strategy and the Corporate Plan 2015-2019 the Council set out its ambition to create a sustainable high performing economy. The Council established three strategic priorities to unlock our growth potential. A summary of the progress against these priorities for 2018/19 (October to March 2019) is as follows:

#### 1. Supporting Enterprise: maintaining and growing the business base

- Officers attend the Growth Hub Crossover Advisor Forum regularly, and continue to refer suitable enquirers to the Growth Hub for further support. A meeting was held with the new SCR Skills Advisors to open dialogue and ensure officers are aware of their products and offer to businesses.
- Support continues for businesses across Shirebrook through the Building Resilience programme. The Business Growth Fund has now closed, but further funds are being sought to keep this successful programme going, as it has been an excellent tool for engaging with businesses, especially those that would not normally engage with their local authority.
- 22 businesses have been awarded a grant from the Business Growth Fund; the level of funding approved is currently £184,812. 25.4 full time equivalent jobs have been created to date.
- Economic Development continues to promote its service through the Invest in Bolsover website, In Touch and promotional materials and to service enquiries with DIT (Department for International Trade), respond to investors and requests for information about developments and opportunities across the district.
- The bids submitted to the Business Rates Retention Pilot have all been approved, although the funding awarded has been reduced by 10%. Work will now commence in the forthcoming quarters to deliver these projects to benefit the town centres. A bid has been submitted to the Future High Streets Fund to develop Bolsover town centre. A decision is expected later this summer, but competition is intense.
- BNED LEADER Approach 5 applications have been assessed by the Partnership Team, and endorsed by the LAG. Officers have regularly attended the LAG meetings. The funding allocation period of the programme will close in the coming quarters, so a small number of outstanding applications are being finalised to hopefully secure the remaining funding before the closure. The programme to date has approved 31 projects totalling £1,142,050.10. These projects are committed to generating £1,592,468.40 match funding and creating 68.82FTE jobs.

## **2. Enabling Housing Growth: increasing the supply, quality and range of housing to meet the needs of a growing population and support economic growth**

- Preparatory work is well in hand for a survey of empty property owners to signpost information and encourage contact. Survey scheduled for end of May/early June.
- Miners Welfare, Creswell is on track for its target completion date. Discussions are being held about how to provide supported accommodation within some of these units.
- A unit in Whitwell has been identified to purchase for conversion into residential use and that is awaiting board sign off. Planning is expected to be applied for in June.
- Planning Service currently dealing with an outline application for planning permission (all matters reserved except access) for the mixed-use redevelopment of the former Whitwell Colliery site, comprising circa 450 dwellings and circa 6 hectares of employment, amongst other things.
- B@home - 88 properties now completed, another 3 under construction at Recreation Close, Clowne and a further 12 at The Paddock, Bolsover which is going through the planning process.
- Developer's Forum scheduled for October 2019. Moving from half-yearly to annual event to refresh format. Very positive feedback received from Keepmoat re: Planning Service at last developer's forum.
- The Local Plan was submitted for examination at the end of August 2018 with public hearing sessions taking place in January/February 2019. Consultation on modifications is scheduled for June 2019 with adoption expected later in the year.

## **3. Unlocking Development Potential: unlocking the capacity of major employment sites**

- An offer has been accepted by Old Bolsover Town Council for a development plot on Oxcroft Lane Bolsover. Legal agreements are in the process of being drawn up. Once signed a planning application will be submitted.
- An offer to purchase the former depot site on Mill Lane Bolsover has been accepted by the Council. Legal agreements are in the process of being drawn up. Once signed a planning application will be submitted.
- The Project Control Board and Project Officer Group continue to meet to ensure the Coalite project moves forward. Officers are expecting the imminent submission of a reserved matters application for buildings on Plots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 on the Bolsover part of the former Coalite site.

- Funding has been awarded to establish an East Midlands Manufacturing Zone through a partnership with North East Derbyshire District Council, Chesterfield Borough Council, DCC and D2N2. A Project Control Board has been established and two Project Operations Groups have been established to develop the two strands of the project.
- Morrisons have now confirmed that they will be occupying the anchor unit at the former Sherwood Lodge development, and hope to be operating by the end of 2019. Further units have been developed and let at Markham Vale. Amazon have taken the former Tesco distribution warehouse at Barlborough and will be creating around 200 jobs.

The following is a more detailed breakdown of some of the performance measures against our Growth priorities.

### BDC Growth PI Summary (2018/19 – Outturn)

2017/18 Outturn	No.	Description	2018/19 Outturn	18/19 Target	Status
£490,191	1.	Major Planning fees received	£397,518	£325,000	▲
£ 218,869	2.	Minor Planning fees received	£258,681		
£709,060	3.	Combined Minor and Major Planning fees	£656,199		
100% (32 out of 32)	4.	Process all major planning applications 10% better than the national minimum (CP)	100% (23 out of 23)	60%	▲
97% (132 out of 136)	5.	Determining "Minor" applications within target deadlines	99.2% (120 out of 121)	70%	▲
98.5% (197 out of 200)	6.	Determining "Other" applications within target deadlines	99.5% (214 out of 215)	85%	▲
2109 (8 year's supply) 2016/17	7.	Supply of available and deliverable housing sites at 1st April (5 year supply)	2482 (9 years of deliverable supply)	-	
3.454 ha 2016/17	8.	Area of new employment floor space built (hectares / square metres)	Not Available June 2019	-	

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871 Cumulative	9.	Enable the development of at least 1,000 new residential properties within the district by March 2019 (CP)	1154	1000	▲
£191,202 17/18 £734,023	10.	Achieve an increase of £850,000 in additional New Homes Bonus from the government by March 2019 (CP)	£991,206	£850,000	▲
26 YTD (Cumulative 33)	11.	Deliver 100 new Council properties by March 2019 (CP)	88	100	▼
54	12.	Work with partners to deliver an average of 20 units of affordable homes each year (CP)	69	20	▲
Awaiting confirmation	13.	Introduce alternative uses to 20% of garage sites owned (total 152) by the Council by March 2019 (CP)	38 sites	30 sites	
£136,800	14.	Average house price (See graph)	£145,676	-	▲
6 converted to 28 dwellings	15.	Bring back into use 15 empty properties per year (CP)	5	15	▼
99.1%	16.	% of business rates collected in year	99.3%	98.5%	▲
+£1,183,429 (£4,728,976 Cumulative)	17.	Optimise business growth as measured by gross NNDR by £2.5 m by March 2019 (CP)  (Baseline £54,800,120 - 2014/15) (Baseline £62,345,477 - 2017/18)	£5,217,083	£2.5m	▲
40.4% (against a target of 65%)	18.	Percentage of NNDR arrears collected	66.6%	65%	▲
£1,113,349 (+1.8%)	19.	Change in rateable value of commercial property in the district	£1,671,536 (+2.6%)	-	-
£237,364 income generated	20.	Level of income generated through letting property owned by the Council but not occupied by the Council, not including Housing, The Tangent and Pleasley Vale	£ 233,524	£235,747	-

2017/18 Out-turn	No.	Description	2018/19 Outturn	18/19 Target	Status
-£9,132 Loss	21.	Financial performance for the Tangent in line or exceeding budget forecast.	£53,391	£43,912 profit	▲
£191,130 Profit	22.	Financial performance of Pleasley Vale Mills in line or exceeding budget forecast.	£195,157	£194,796 profit	▲
11	23.	Number of Business Growth Fund grants awarded	22	10	▲
£89,894	24.	Value of Business Growth Fund grants awarded	£184,812	£100,000	▲
7	25.	Number of BNED LEADER grants awarded (scheme total)	31	18	▲
£195,385	26.	Value of BNED LEADER grants awarded	£1,142,050	£659,217	▲
12	27.	Apprenticeships started	23	11 FTE	▲
121	28.	50 businesses supported through Key Account Management by March 2019 (CP)	142	50	▲
1.1%	29.	Percentage of district residents aged 18-24 claiming Job Seeker's Allowance – see graph	0.3%	-	-
0.8%	30.	Percentage of Derbyshire residents aged 18-24 claiming Job Seeker's Allowance – see graph	0.3%	-	-
1.0%	31.	Percentage of all district residents 16-64 claiming Job Seeker's Allowance – see graph	0.5%	-	-
New indicator	32.	Out-Of-Work Benefits Claimant count Age range 16 – 64 See note	2.1 %Bolsover 2.2% East Mid 2.7% GB		

## Notes

<p>Out-Of-Work Benefits Claimant count Age range 16 - 64</p>	<p>The Claimant Count is the number of people claiming benefit principally for the reason of being unemployed. This is measured by combining the number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) and National Insurance credits with the number of people receiving Universal Credit principally for the reason of being unemployed. Claimants declare that they are out of work, capable of, available for and actively seeking work during the week in which the claim is made.</p> <p>Under Universal Credit a broader span of claimants are required to look for work than under Jobseeker's Allowance. As Universal Credit Full Service is rolled out in particular areas, the number of people recorded as being on the Claimant Count is therefore likely to rise.</p>
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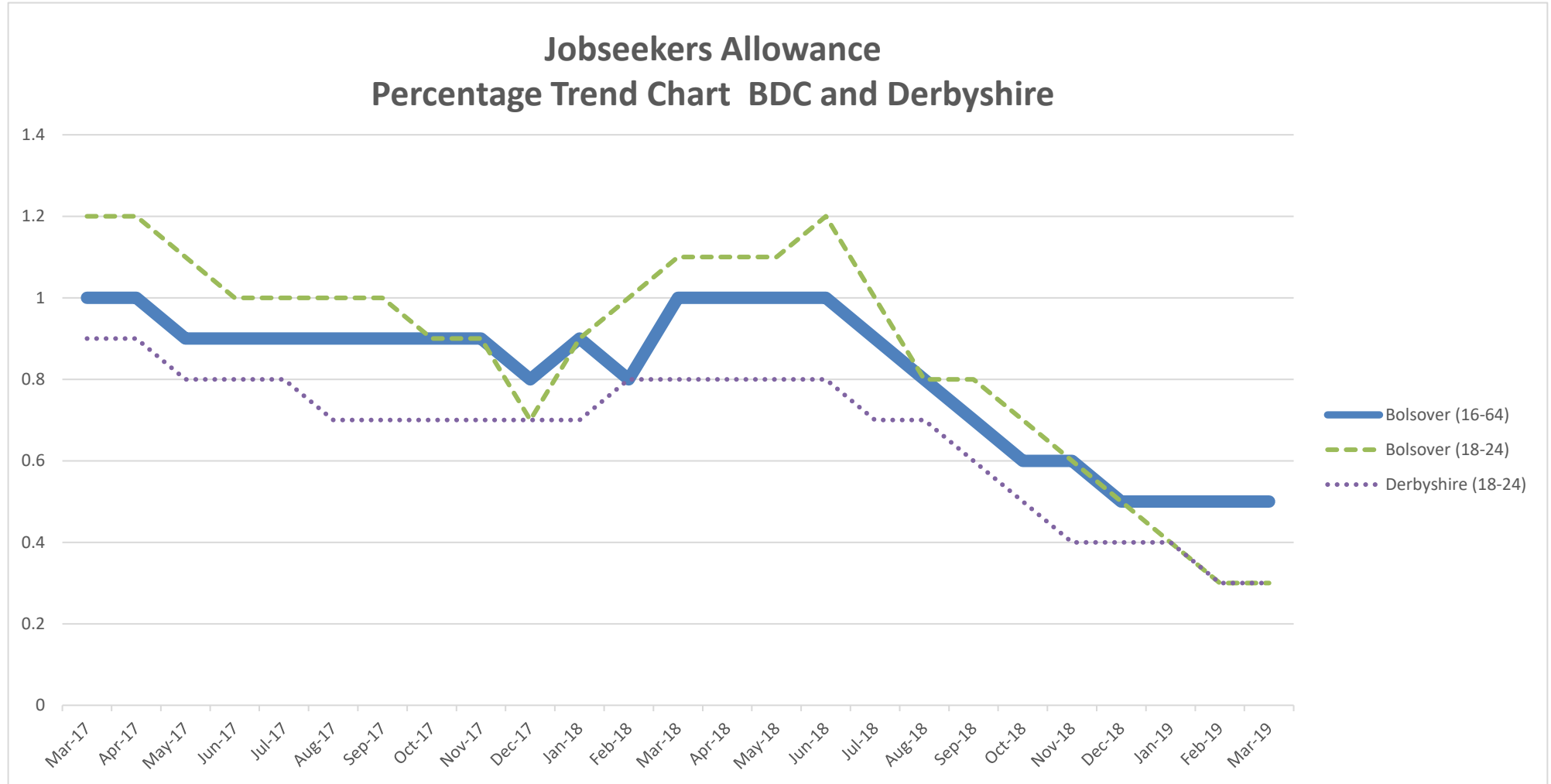
## Exceptions

<p>Deliver 100 new Council properties by March 2019 (CP)</p>	<p>88 properties completed to date. 3 properties purchased from Keepmoat Homes - Section 106</p> <p>Total B @ Home properties in progress is 92 plus purchased one former RTB property. Also purchasing S.106 Units from developer.</p> <p>Outline plans for Stage 2 have been reported to Members.</p> <p>Rogers Avenue - 7 Units - Completed  Former Blackwell Hotel - 6 Units - Completed  Fir Close - 8 Units - Completed  Derwent Drive - 12 Units - Completed  Hill Top - 37 Units - Completed  Highcliffe Avenue - Completed  Pinxton Cluster (Ash/Elm/Lime) - 12 Units - Completed  South Normanton Cluster (Leamington/Beech) - Completed  St Michaels Drive - 2 Units - Completed  Recreation Close - 3 Units - On site due for completion May 2019  The Paddock - 12 Units - Planning application submitted</p> <p>Three units purchased from Keepmoat Homes one further property due for handover May 2019.</p>
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	<b>This target will exceed the 100 milestone upon completion of the Recreation Close, Clowne and the Paddock, Bolsover sites.</b>
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<p>Bring back into use 15 empty properties per year (CP)</p>	<p>The 11 apartments at The Miners Welfare in Creswell are in the process of becoming occupied. Action Housing have started work on a long term empty property in Carr Vale to convert it into 2 apartments - work is expected to be completed by the summer. They are also in the process of purchasing a former shop in Whitwell, which they propose to convert into 5 apartments.</p> <p>A long term empty property in South Normanton has now been sold and reoccupied following intervention from the Council. The property had been empty for more than 7 years and had attracted numerous complaints from local residents and so this outcome has been beneficial to all involved parties.</p> <p>The Council have held 2 landlord events recently that focused on Universal Credit and Fire Safety for private rented tenancies. Feedback from landlords indicated that the events were a useful way to get legislation updates and a good opportunity to network with other Landlords and Council Officers. Officers from the Housing Strategy Team gave a presentation on Universal Credit at the recent member development workshops - this was well received as it was a good opportunity for members to get more information on Universal Credit and how this affects tenants and landlords in the District.</p> <p><b>To date 5 empty units have been brought forward in 2018/19 which has resulted in 15 units of housing being created.</b></p>
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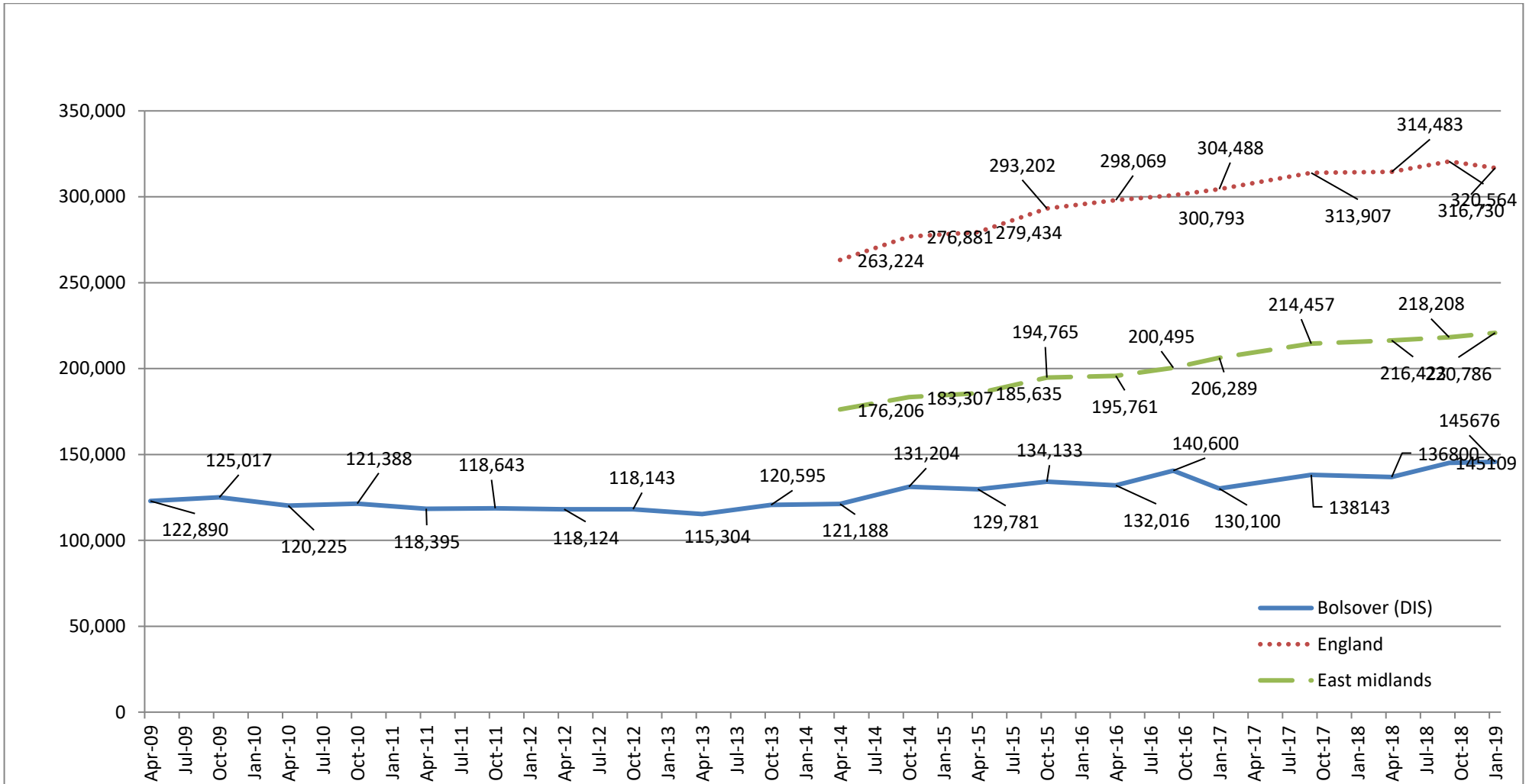
**Bolsover District Job Seeker's Allowance % Trend Chart\***



\*<https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/>



### Bolsover, East Midlands and English average house prices (2013 up to Sept 2018)\*



\*Hometrack - Housing Intelligence System