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ISLE OF DOGS NAMED BEST PLACE TO LIVE IN LONDON

Who'd have thought it? The Isle of Dogs, home to Canary Wharf, the frenetic finance district, has beaten London's leafy green neighbourhoods to be declared the best place to live in London

Lead image: The Landmark Pinnacle development at Canary Wharf

Staff at The Sunday Times have once again been hard at it producing the The Sunday Times Best Places to Live list for 2019, and Isle of Dogs came out as the regional winner for London.

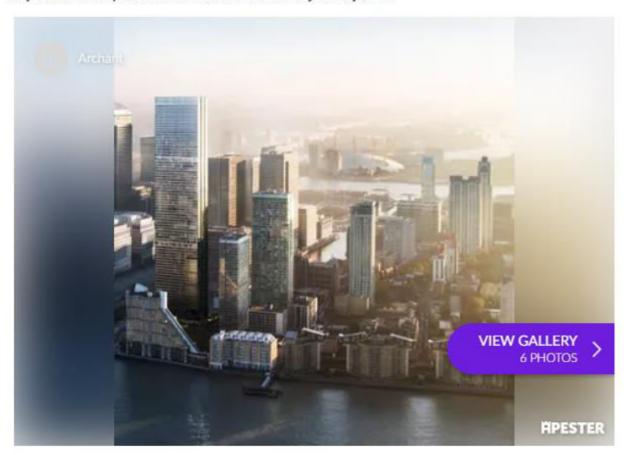
Does this signal the death knell for the suburbs? Well, hardly, but it does indicate that Londoners have had enough of the commute. Only last week, we published research showing that 67% of Londoners would be happier living nearer the workplace, so it looks like many have given up waiting for Crossrail to complete and just opted for a pad in the city.

The Isle of Dogs took the prize because of its transport links – a short walk into Canary Wharf itself and 15 minutes to the City – its riverside location and affordable prices for Zone 2. An average property here costs £526,160, compared with £636,215 for the capital as a whole.

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And if you can afford a house with a little more green space as well as a pied à terre in the city, then you're onto a winner, since last year, Richmond was declared to be the happiest borough in London, and Greenwich declared the friendliest (the latter being just a foot tunnel away from the Isle of Dogs, of course).

5 of the Best Properties on the Market in Canary Wharf Now:



The best place to live in the UK was named as Salisbury, despite the recent noivchok poisoning incident, heralded for its divine beauty and 13th century cathedral. The best place to live in the southeast was named as Petworth in West Sussex, and in the southwest, Topsham in Devon.

The supplement assesses a wide range of factors, from employment, schools and broadband speed to culture, community spirit and local shops to compile the definitive top locations to live.

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Robust statistics, including up-to-date house prices provided by online mortgage broker Habito and life event data company TwentyCi, are called into play alongside the knowledge of The Sunday Times's expert panel.

'Finding our very own best place to live now feels more important than ever, for our wellbeing and wealth, happiness and health,' said Helen Davies, The Sunday Times Home editor. 'This year we were looking for community spirit along with convenience and culture.

'Wherever you are on the property ladder The Sunday Times has championed 101 locations across the UK, and crowned one lucky winner, that we think is a great place to make a home.'

For the full list see thesundaytimes.co.uk/bestplacestolive

