

**Cabinet report for 19<sup>th</sup> May 2005  
Proposal for a Hindu primary school**

**School provision and demographic data**

**Charts 1 - 5** show the position in each primary sector planning area using currently available pupil number projections.

There is not a huge difference from last year, though the numbers are a little higher (and thus the surplus is a little lower). Overall the surplus is projected to fall over the next 5 years, though a significant surplus capacity issue will remain in the south east of the borough. There is also a potentially significant deficit developing in the central area by 2010.

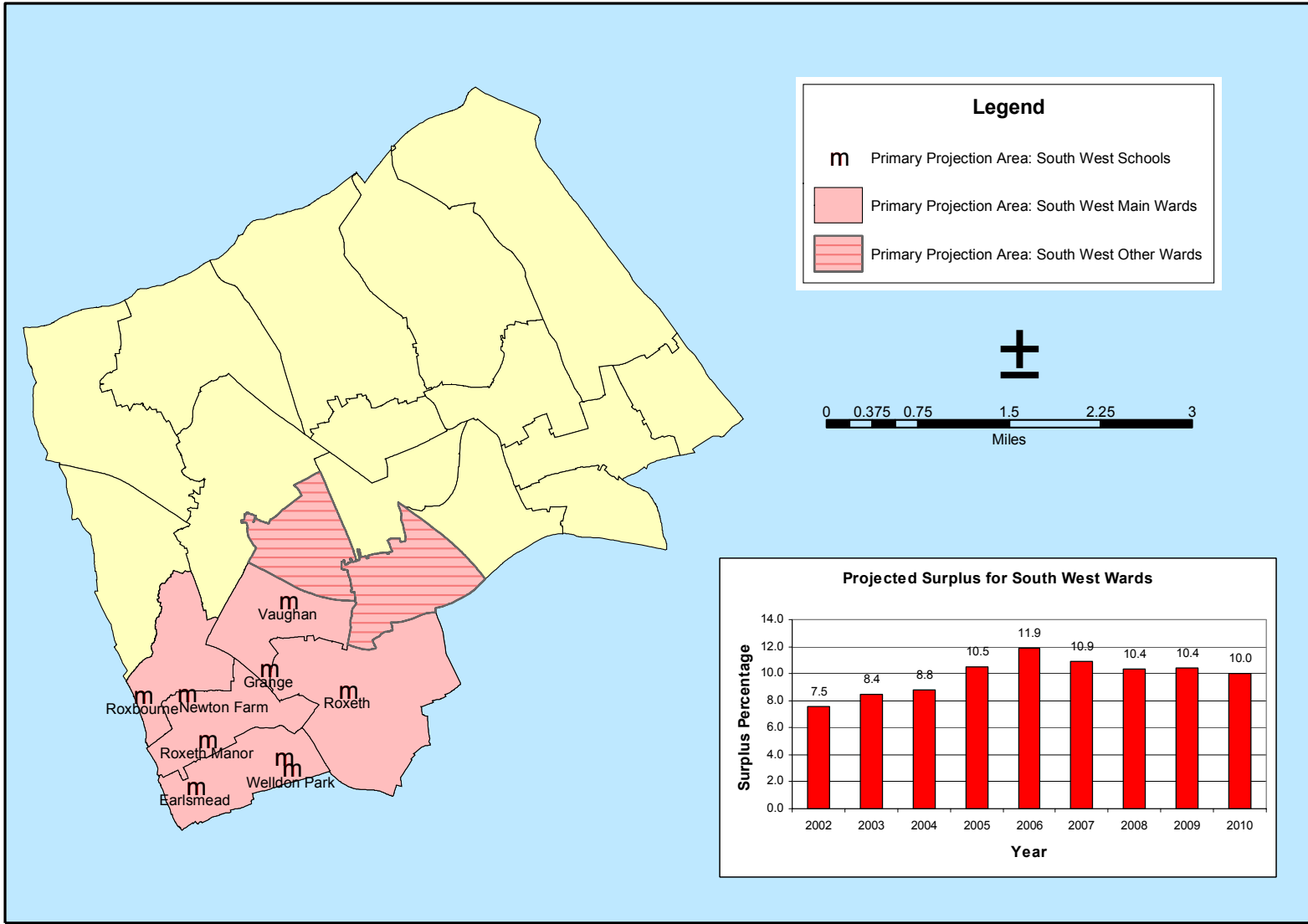
We need to exercise some caution in interpreting these figures. They are still based on the 2003 population projections, which last year came in rather higher than expected when the fertility rates were factored in. Judgement should be reserved until we get projections based on the 2005 round. Also the big difference (increase) from last year is in the central area. We need to take into account that there is predicted to be a deficit in the central area - and thus, in practice, a spill over to neighbouring areas. However, again we have to think how reliable projections are for the central area based as they are on a mobile current population.

The sites proposed in the two submissions are towards the north and the west of the borough. These locations are away from the main concentrations of the Harrow population of Indian ethnic origin. **Chart 6** contains data that gives a broad indication of population concentration to illustrate the position.

Although the Indian ethnic group are not necessary Hindu by faith, an analysis of ethnic Indian pupils attending Harrow schools by postcode and by approximate region will provide an indicator of faith communities. Some caution is needed as approximate regions listed below do not match Ward boundaries precisely. On this basis 43% of ethnic Indian pupils are in the South East, 19% in Central, 15% in South West, 10% in North West and 6% in North East.

Total Ethnic Indian pupils	<u>5931</u>
South West	890
North West	615
North East	374
South East	2538
Central	1127
Resident outside Harrow	<u>387</u>
	<b><u>5931</u></b>

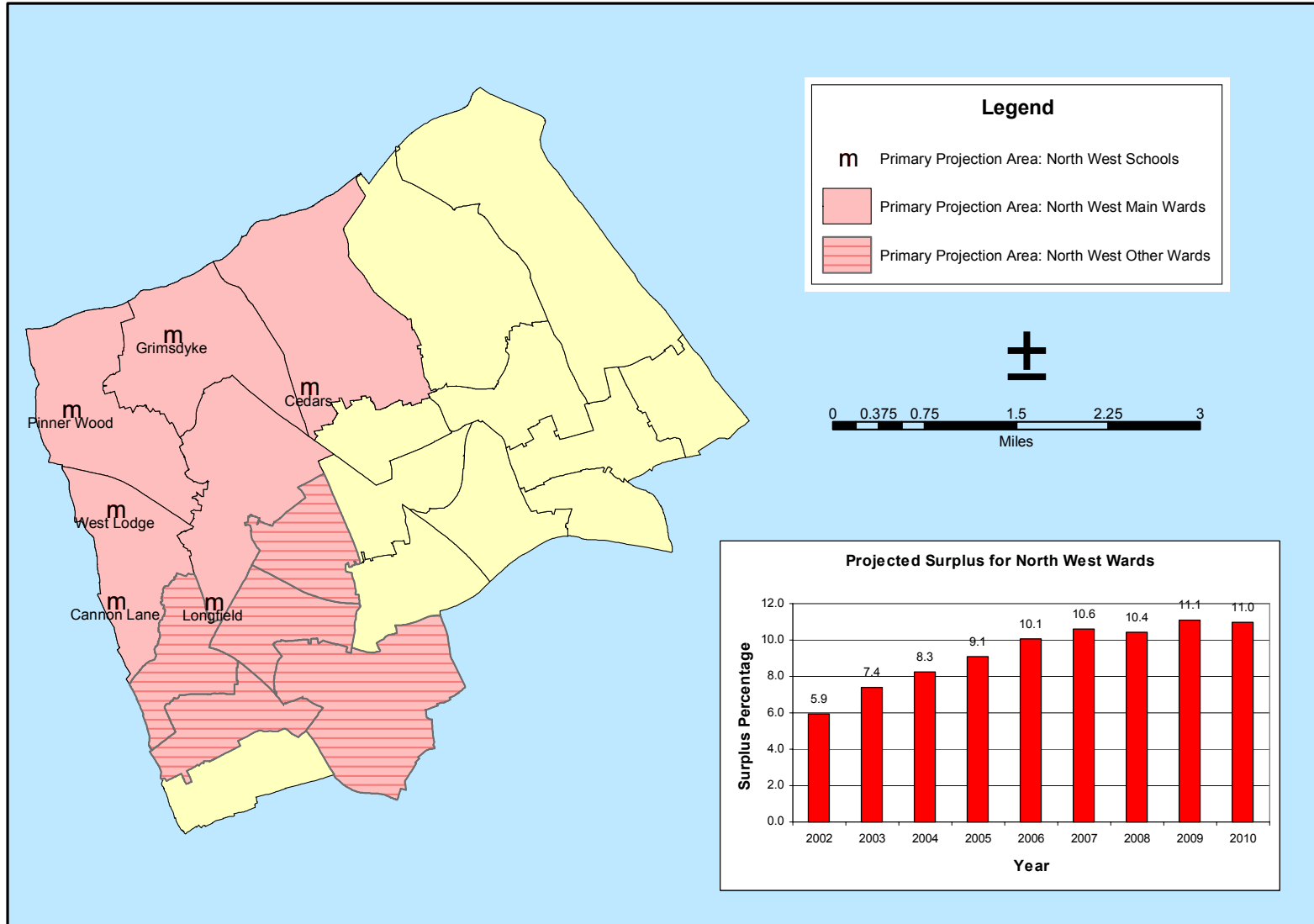
# Chart 1. South West Primary Projection Areas with Surplus



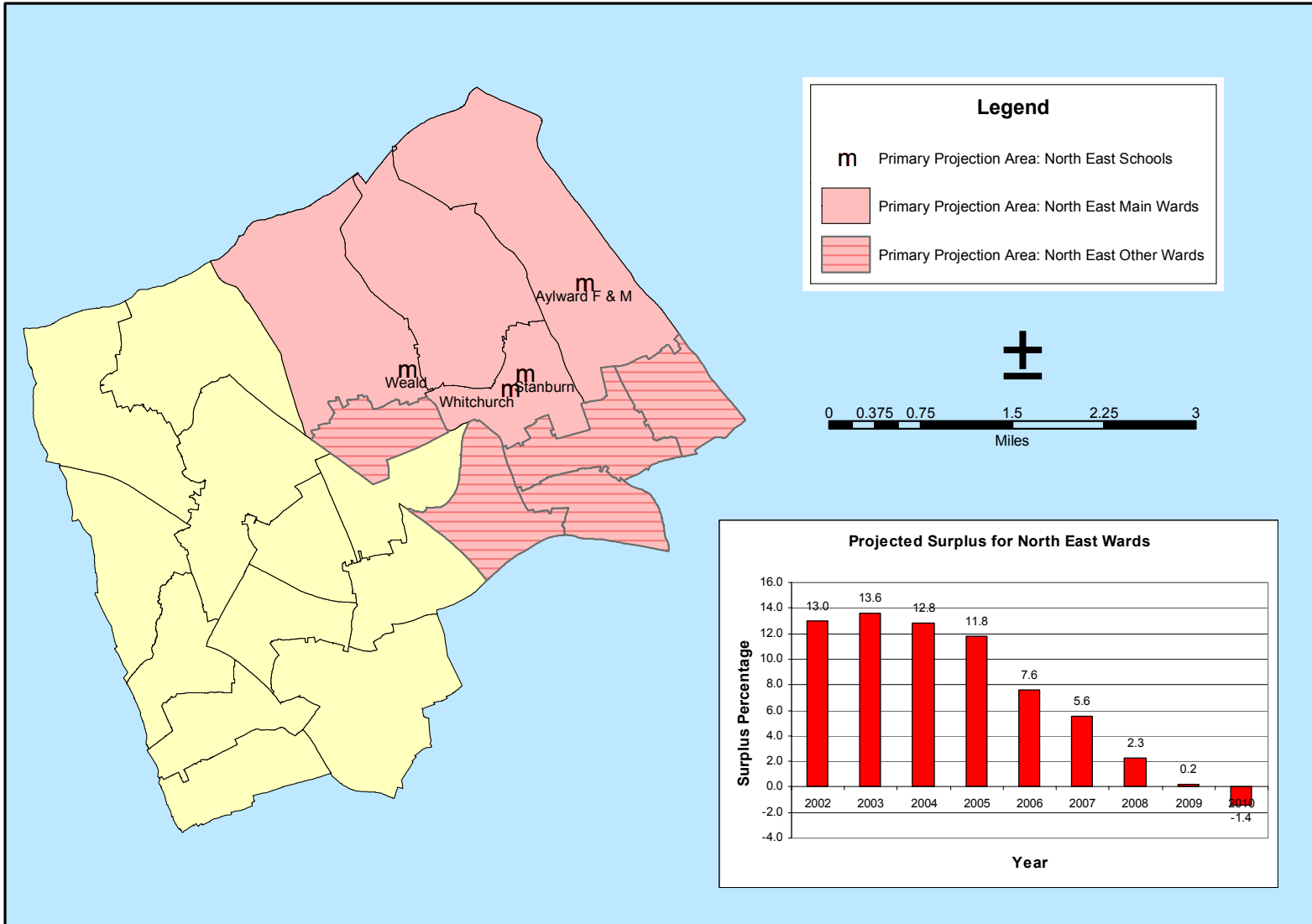
Projected Surplus for South West Wards

Year	Surplus Percentage
2002	7.5
2003	8.4
2004	8.8
2005	10.5
2006	11.9
2007	10.9
2008	10.4
2009	10.4
2010	10.0

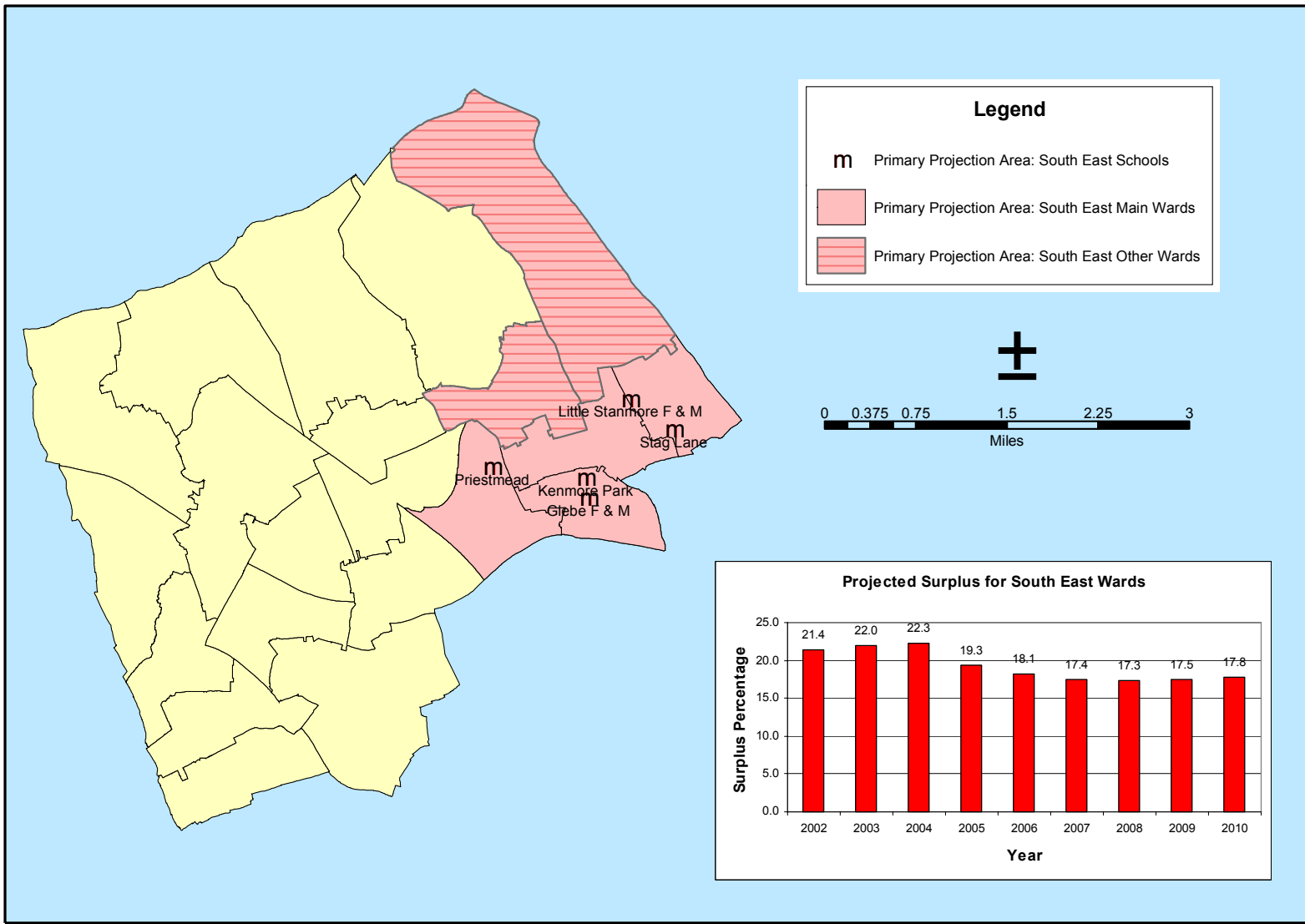
## Chart 2. North West Primary Projection Areas with Surplus



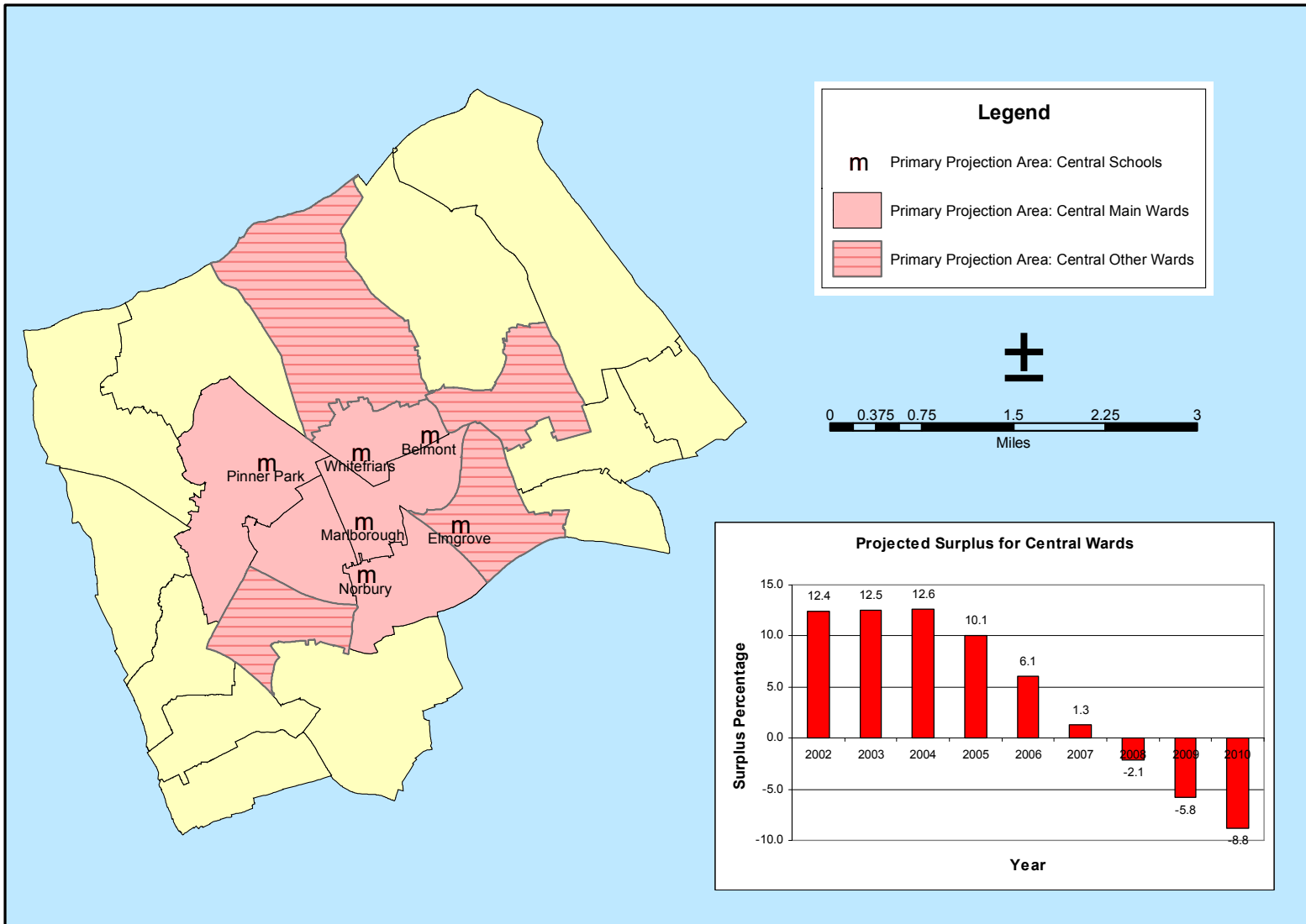
**Chart 3. North East Primary Projection Areas with Surplus**



## Chart 4. South East Primary Projection Areas with Surplus



**Chart 5. Central Primary Projection Areas with Surplus**



**Chart 6. 2004 Indian Ethnicity in Harrow Taken from the Office for National Statistics**

