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- Homes built: 1,486
- Homes improved: 1,333
- Homes demolished: 2,275 including 32 tower blocks.
- Two new shopping centres built, plus an enterprise park and a range of health facilities.
- Jobs created: 1,461
- Training places: 3,415
- Unemployment: 26% in 1993 (Birmingham 18%); 5.3% in 2004 (Birmingham 7.6%).
- Life expectancy: people in Castle Vale now live on average seven years longer than they did in 1992.
- Education: 5 A*-C GCSE passes: 13% in 1994, 31% in 2004 (and 40% in 2003).
- Crime: total offences reduced by 36% since 2000.

Castle Vale HAT Awards:

- The HAT have been Chartermark Award holders since 1996, and Investors In People since 2000.
- In 2000, the HAT won the Secretary of State's Partnership in Regeneration Award.
- In 2000 and 2002, the HAT won Cabinet Office TNT Modernising Government Partnership Prizes.
- In 2001, the Spitfire Sculpture won the Institution of Civil Engineers West Midlands award.
- In 2002 the HAT won the Midlands Excellence Award for overall organisational excellence.
- In 2002 the HAT won the Birmingham Civic Society Forward Prize, for the 'regeneration and transformation' of Castle Vale.
- In 2003, Centre Park was a BALI (British Association of Landscape Industries) Award Winner, and at the 2004 Civic Trust Awards, Centre Park was given a special mention as a 'vitally important open space which contributed significantly to the local community'.
- In 2003, the HAT won the West Midlands Building Excellence Award for Regeneration.
- In 2003, 'Regeneration and Renewal' Magazine profiled Castle Vale HAT as 'one of the top six most admired organisations in regeneration'

Publications and pieces of research which have featured the work of Castle Vale HAT include:

- *Regeneration that lasts* – A guide to good practice on social housing estates, published by DETR February 2000.
- *National Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal* - Report of Policy Action Team 8: Anti-Social Behaviour March 2000.
- *Decanting Tenants* - A good Practice Guide, published by the Institute of Housing / Housing Corporation May 2000.
- *Challenging images* – Housing estates, stigma and regeneration, published by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation October 2000.
- *Transferable lessons in regeneration from the Housing Action Trusts*, published by DETR December 2000.
- *Neighbourhood Management: Invitation to participate in a Pathfinder Round*, published by DETR. January 2001.
- *Good Practice Guide: Neighbourhood Management* Duncan, P and Thomas, S Chartered Institute of Housing and The Housing Corporation 2001.
- *Tackling Drugs to build a better Britain: United Kingdom Anti-Drugs Co-ordinators Annual Report 2000/01* (A report on progress since 2000 of the Government's ten year anti-drugs strategy).
- *Retailing, sustainability and neighbourhood regeneration* Carley, M, Kirk, K and McIntosh S, Published by The Joseph Rowntree Foundation 2001.

- *Business and Society: DTI Corporate Social Responsibility Report 2002* Published by the Department of Trade and Industry, May 2002.
- *Incentives and Beyond? The transferability of the Irwell Valley Gold Service to other social landlords* ODPM 2003.
- *Housing association rent income: Rent collection and arrears management by housing associations in England* Audit Commission May 2003.
- *Regeneration UK*, DTI July 2004.