The exclusivity of Kensington and Chelsea comes at a steep price, making it one of London's least affordable boroughs. This wealth disparity is stark, with luxury homes often sitting empty as investments, while social housing faces neglect. Overcrowding in tourist hotspots can detract from the area's charm, and heavy traffic adds to pollution concerns. While the borough exudes sophistication, some criticize it for prioritizing affluence over accessibility. Green spaces, though stunning, feel reserved for the elite, and the community can seem insular at times. The borough's polished façade leaves little room for the vibrancy seen in other areas of London.