



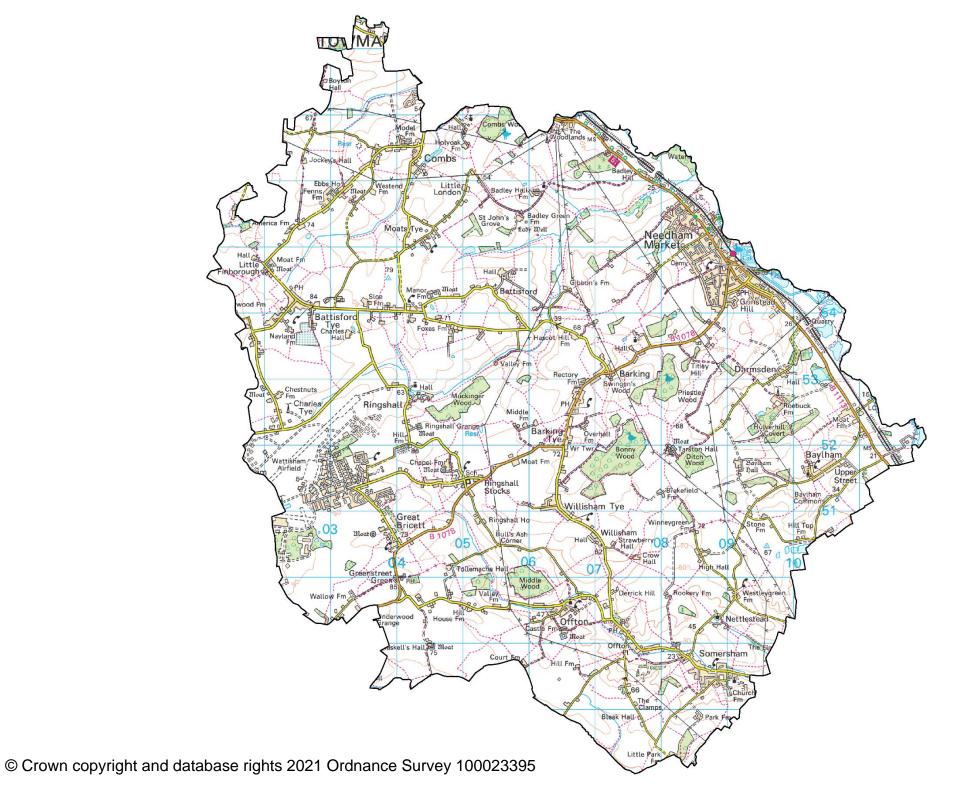


# BOSMERE

# **ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE 2021**

This Division comprises Battisford & Ringshall Ward in its entirety and parts of Needham Market, Onehouse, Blakenham and Combs Ford Wards

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#### **ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILES: AN INTRODUCTION**

These profiles have been produced to support elected members, constituents and other interested parties in understanding the demographic, economic, social and educational profile of their neighbourhoods. We have used the latest data available at the time of publication.

Much more data is available from national and local sources than is captured here, but it is hoped that the profile will be a useful starting point for discussion, where local knowledge and experience can be used to flesh out and illuminate the information presented here.

The profile can be used to help look at some fundamental questions e.g.

- Does the age profile of the population match or differ from the national profile?
- Is there evidence of the ageing profile of the county in all the wards in the Division or just some?
- How diverse is the community in terms of ethnicity?
- What is the impact of deprivation on families and residents?
- Does there seem to be a link between deprivation and school performance?
- What is the breakdown of employment sectors in the area?
- Is it a relatively healthy area compared to the rest of the district or county?
- What sort of crime is prevalent in the community?

A vast amount of additional data is available on the Suffolk Observatory

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The Suffolk Observatory is a free online resource that contains all Suffolk's vital statistics; it is the one-stop-shop for information and intelligence about Suffolk. Through data, reports and maps, the Suffolk Observatory provides a comprehensive picture of the County. It is a great source for useful facts and figures that can be used for writing reports and presentations, informing strategic and business planning, preparing funding applications or supporting academic research. Data is presented around the key themes of population, children and young people, health and social care, housing, crime and community safety, deprivation, economy and employment and environment. All areas of the county are covered, right down to district, electoral division, ward and parish level, with information easily accessible in a variety of formats. You can also build your own reports for custom areas.

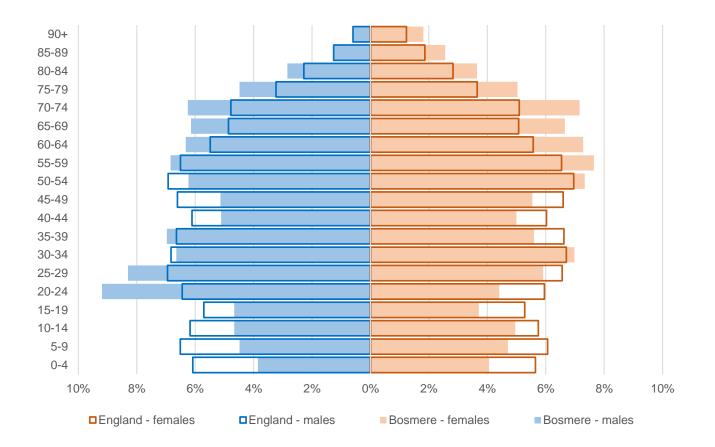
#### **Technical Notes:**

- 1. Where electoral divisions do not exactly match the boundaries at which the data is available (e.g. ward, Output Area or Lower Super Output Area), we have adopted a "best-fit" approach to produce a dataset.
- District, county and national level data is provided where possible to provide a context for comparisons. Where possible we have used the most recent district boundaries for comparison purposes, but in some cases it has been necessary to use the pre-2019 districts.

# **DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE - AGE**

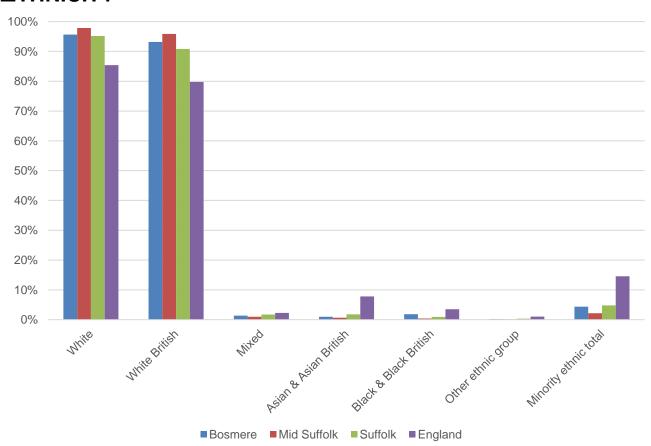
In mid-2019, the population of Bosmere stood at 10,676, an increase of 4.6% since the 2011 Census. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

	Bosmere Division	Needham Market	Battisford & Ringshall	Onehouse	Blakenham
All Ages	10,676	5,121	3,912	958	685
0-4	422	200	177	21	24
5-9	490	219	215	30	26
10-14	513	265	164	47	37
15-19	449	233	154	36	26
20-24	736	202	470	36	28
25-29	764	308	379	46	31
30-34	727	352	308	40	27
35-39	674	317	287	36	34
40-44	540	248	214	41	37
45-49	569	278	187	55	49
50-54	722	394	197	83	48
55-59	772	365	221	115	71
60-64	724	380	199	104	41
65-69	682	337	194	93	58
70-74	714	342	227	76	69
75-79	507	265	150	53	39
80-84	345	214	85	22	24
85-89	201	116	58	14	13
90+	125	86	26	10	<5



- The age pyramid for Bosmere shows a higher-than-average proportion of males in the age group 20-29 (due to the division hosting Wattisham airbase) and males and females over the age of 55.
- The most common age group in Bosmere is 55-59-year-olds, followed by 25-29-year-olds and 20–24-year-olds.
- There is a much lower than average proportion of children and young people aged under 20.

#### **ETHNICITY**

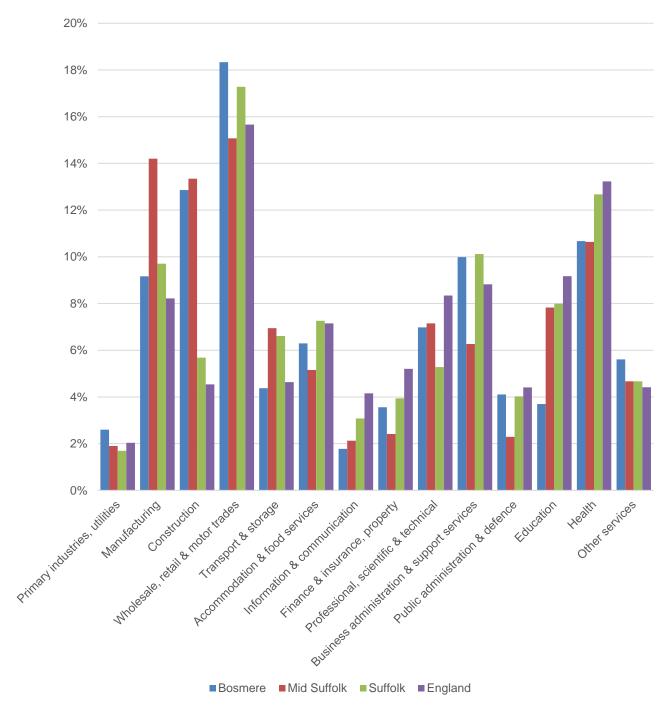


- According to the latest data (2011 Census), 95.6% (9,759) of the population of Bosmere are white, similar to the figure for Suffolk.
- There are 444 (4.4%) people of minority ethnic origin in the division, again, similar to the Suffolk figure and twice the average for Mid Suffolk.
- Bosmere has a similar diversity profile to Suffolk as a whole.

	All people	White		White British M		Mixe	Mixed		Asian and Asian British		Black and Black British		Other Ethnic Group		Total Minority Ethnic population	
	Count	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	
Bosmere	10,203	9,759	95.6	9,510	93.2	138	1.4	101	1.0	186	1.8	19	0.2	444	4.4	
Mid Suffolk	96,731	94,667	97.9	92,747	95.9	953	1.0	647	0.7	371	0.4	93	0.1	2,064	2.1	
Suffolk	728,163	693,195	95.2	661,458	90.8	12,472	1.7	13,131	1.8	6,854	0.9	2,511	0.3	34,968	4.8	
England			85.4		79.8		2.3		7.8		3.5		1.0		14.6	

#### **ECONOMY**

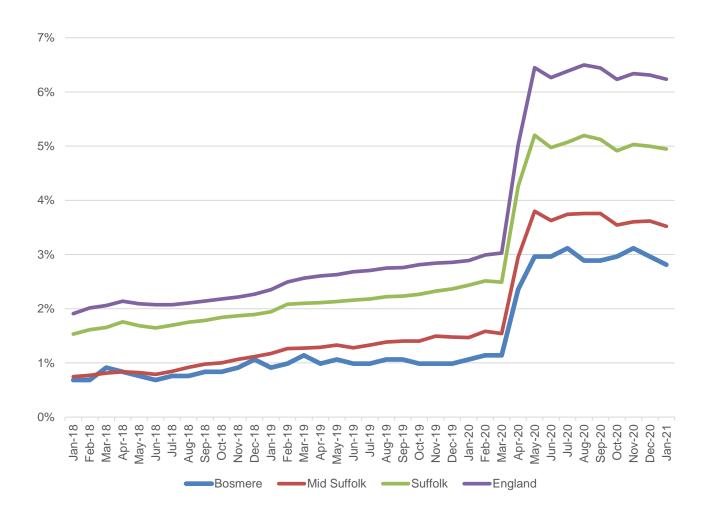
There are 3,700 people employed in Bosmere.



- The key employment sectors in Bosmere are wholesale, retail and motor trades, construction, health and business administration and support services.
- These sectors provide more than half of jobs in the division.
- The division has a broadly similar employment profile to Mid Suffolk and the county in general. The division has a particularly high proportion of construction jobs relative to the Suffolk and England average.
- These modelled employment estimates give a figure of 100 jobs in defence activities in the division.

#### LABOUR MARKET

#### **OUT-OF-WORK BENEFIT CLAIMANT RATE**



- Bosmere saw a sharp increase in claimants of out-of-work benefits in the first half of 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, much like the rest of the county and indeed England as a whole.
- Claimant unemployment levels in the division are consistently below those of the county and England as a whole, and, from mid-2018 onwards, below the Mid Suffolk level too.
- In percentage terms, approximately 2.8% of the working age population of Bosmere are claiming out-of-work benefits in January 2021. This is more than two percentage points below the county average and less than half the England average.

# **S**CHOOLS

#### **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

#### **Schools in the Division**

	Average cohort size at:							
Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Bosmere Community Primary School	Primary	AC	40	41			Good*	23/01/2020
Ringshall School	Primary	AC	23	8			Good	05/06/2019
Somersham Primary School	Primary	LA	13	11			Good	15/01/2020

Schools with catchments that overlap with the Division

	Aver	age co	hort siz	e at:				
Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Bildeston Primary School	Primary	LA	11	16			Good	14/02/2013
Claydon Primary School	Primary	AC	59	54			Good*	04/07/2014
Combs Ford Primary School	Primary	AC	57	59			Good	05/07/2011
Claydon High School	Secondary	AC			128		Good*	19/06/2014
Hadleigh High School	Secondary	AC			137		Good	21/10/2015
Stowmarket High School	Secondary	AS			145	69	Requires improvement*	05/07/2018

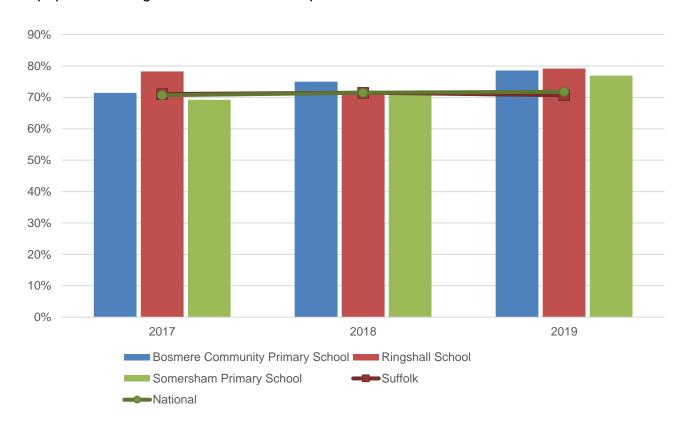
Academy Status key: AS = Academy Sponsored, AC = Academy Converter, LA = LA Maintained, F = Free

<sup>\*</sup>The latest full inspection judgement does not relate to the current school

#### SCHOOL ATTAINMENT

#### **Foundation Stage Profile (reception)**

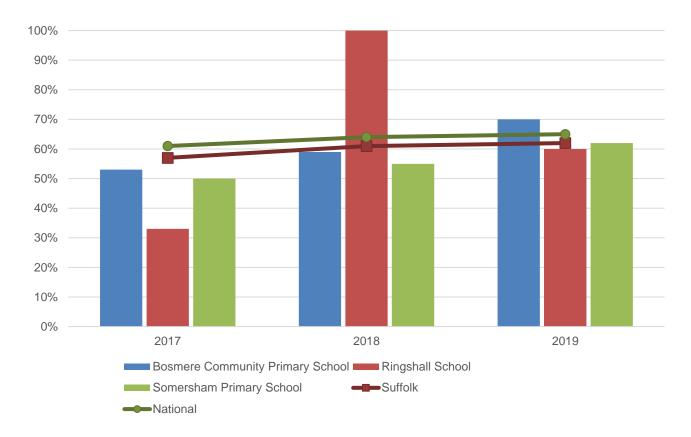
% pupils achieving Good Level of Development



- Foundation Stage attainment at schools in Bosmere has been high and stable over the last three years of available data.
- Only one school, Bosmere Community Primary, has had attainment levels consistently at
  or above the county and national levels in each of the last three years, but when
  attainment at schools in the division has been below average, the difference has been
  very marginal.
- In 2019, attainment at all three schools in the division was above the county and national benchmarks.

#### Key Stage 2 (age 11)

% pupils achieving the Expected Level or better in Reading, Writing and Mathematics



- Key Stage 2 attainment at schools in Bosmere division has been quite variable, but generally on an upward trend.
- Pupil attainment at Ringshall School in 2018 and Bosmere Community Primary School in 2019 exceeded the county and national averages.
- Attainment at Bosmere Community Primary and Somersham Primary School has been steadily improving throughout this period.
- Ringshall School has seen more fluctuating attainment. This is to be expected at schools with very small cohort sizes.

#### Key Stage 4 (GCSE) (age 16) and Key Stage 5 (A Level) (age 18)

There are no Upper Schools located within the division.

# **NEET % (NOT IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING)**

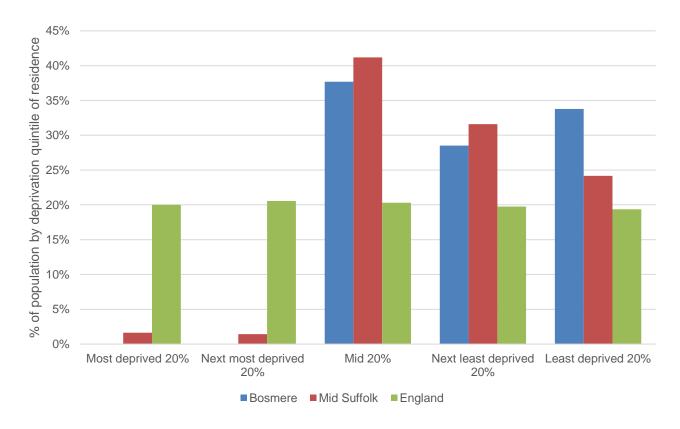


- In January 2021, 2.8% of 16–18-year-olds in Bosmere were classified as NEET (where current activity is known).
- NEET levels in Bosmere have tended to be similar to the Mid Suffolk level and below the Suffolk average over the past four years.

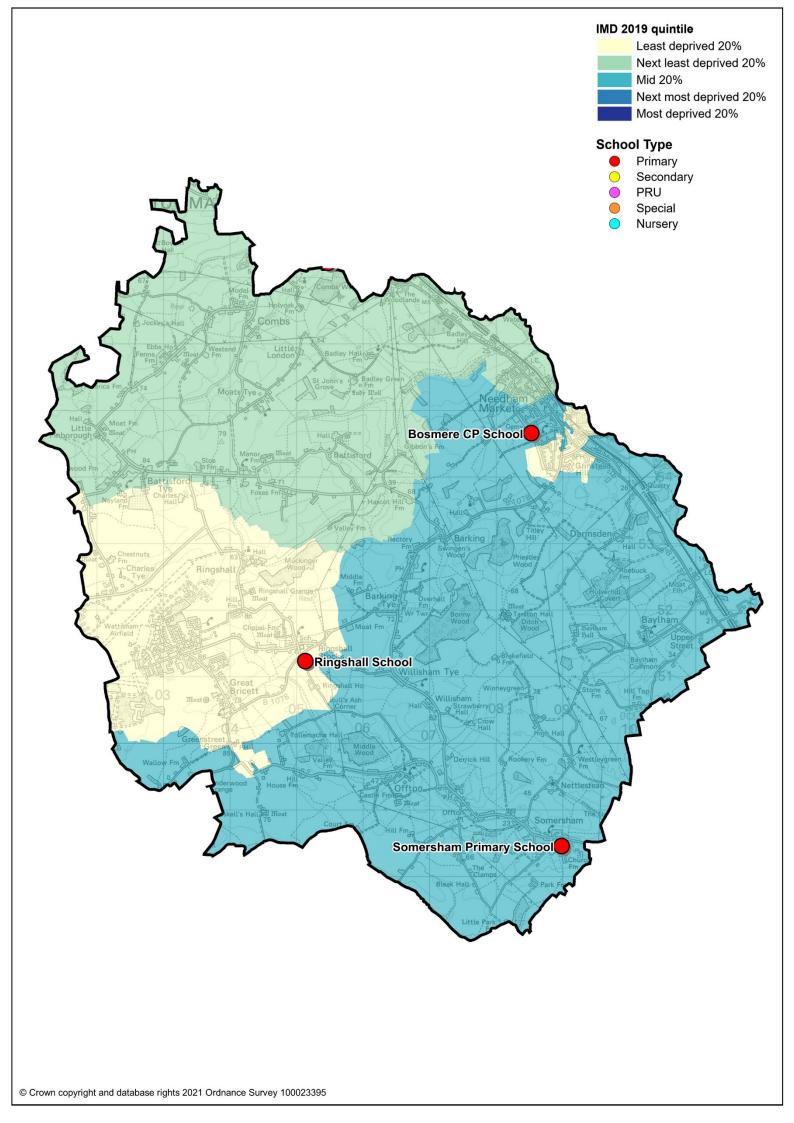
# INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (IMD) 2019 (SEE MAP OVERLEAF)

The IMD combines a number of indicators, chosen to cover a range of economic, social and housing issues, into a single deprivation score for each small area in England. This allows each area to be ranked relative to one another according to their level of deprivation. Small areas (Lower Super Output Areas, average population 1,700) are most commonly described as being in 1 of 5 quintile bands. The bottom quintile represents the 20% of areas that are the most deprived in England; these are shaded pale yellow on the map. The top quintile represents the least deprived areas in England and is shaded dark blue.

The Index is widely used to analyse patterns of deprivation, identify areas that would benefit from special initiatives or programmes and as a tool to determine eligibility for specific funding streams.



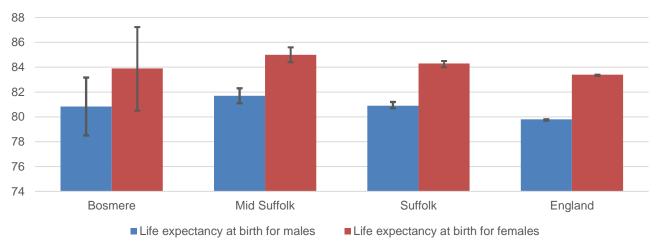
- The IMD 2019 shows that deprivation levels in Bosmere are fairly low and entirely concentrated within the least deprived 60% of areas in England.
- There are no parts in the division that fall into the most or second most deprived quintiles.
- The proportion of those in the top quintile (least deprived 20% of areas in England) exceeds the averages for the district, county and England.
- Of the six Lower Super Output Areas in Bosmere, two fall into the mid 20% (accounting for 38% of the population of the division), two are in the next least deprived quintile (29% of the population) and the remaining two are in the least deprived quintile (the remaining 34% of Bosmere's population live in these areas).



#### **HEALTH**

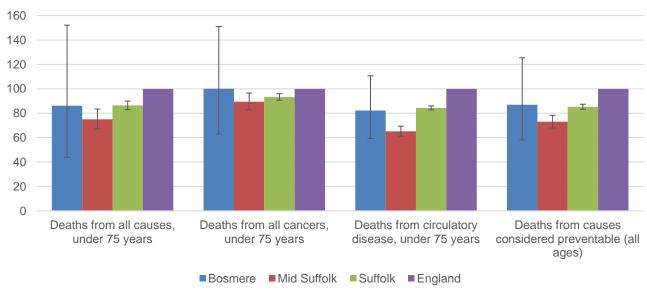
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is a 95% chance of the true result lying.

#### LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



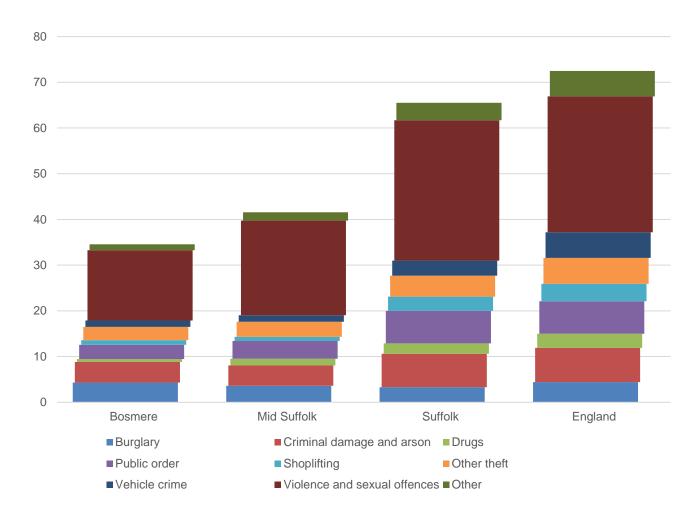
- Estimated life expectancy in Bosmere is very similar to the Suffolk average and slightly below the Mid Suffolk level.
- Estimated male life expectancy at birth in the division at 80.8 years is three years below the life expectancy at birth for females, at 83.9 years.

#### DEATHS, UNDER 75 YEARS, STANDARDISED MORTALITY RATIO



- The rate of deaths from all causes in those aged under 75 in Bosmere is lower than or similar to the county average, but above the average for Mid Suffolk.
- The standardised mortality ratio data shown here means that for every 100 early deaths from all causes across England as a whole, there are an estimated 86 comparable deaths in Bosmere.
- Early deaths from all cancers are similar to the national average in the division; above the county figure.
- It should be noted that the confidence intervals around these data are very wide due to the small number of deaths at the local level.

#### **CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY**



- The overall crime rate in Bosmere is around half that of Suffolk.
- In the period from February 2020 to January 2021, there were just under 35 recorded crimes per 1,000 residents in Bosmere, compared to 66 in Suffolk and 73 across England as a whole.
- The most commonly recorded type crime in Bosmere is "violence and sexual offences", followed by criminal damage and arson.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **Parishes in Division**

Badley Needham Market

Barking Nettlestead

Battisford Offton
Baylham Ringshall
Combs Somersham

Darmsden Stowmarket (small part)

Great Bricett Willisham

Little Finborough

# **DATA SOURCES**

Category	Indicator	Source				
	Quinary population table 2019	ONS 2019 mid-year population estimates				
Demographic Profile	Population pyramid 2019	ONS 2019 mid-year population estimates				
	Ethnicity 2011	ONS 2011 Census				
Economy	Employment by broad industrial sector 2019	ONS Business Register and Employment Survey via NOMIS				
Claimant count: The number of people claim Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who clain Universal Credit who are out of work (% 16- population) January 2018- February 2021		DWP via NOMIS				
	School information and attainment 2017-2019	Suffolk County Council				
Education	% 16-18-year-olds NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training) 2017-2021	Suffolk County Council via the Suffolk Observatory				
Deprivation	Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019	Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government				
Health	Life expectancy at birth 2013-2017	Public Health England				
Health	Standardised mortality ratio for deaths from all causes, cancer and circulatory disease, (aged under 75), and death from causes considered preventable (all ages), 2013-2017. The standardised mortality ratio is the ratio of observed deaths in the study group to expected deaths in the general population.	Public Health England				
Community Safety	Recorded crime rate per 1,000 resident population February 2020 to January 2021	Data.police.uk via the Suffolk Observatory				

For more data and information about Bosmere Electoral Division, see the Suffolk Observatory  $\underline{\text{www.suffolkobservatory.info}}$ 

