

# HARTISMERE

## ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE 2021

This Division comprises Rickinghall Ward in its entirety plus parts of Palgrave, Gislingham and Walsham-le-Willows 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.

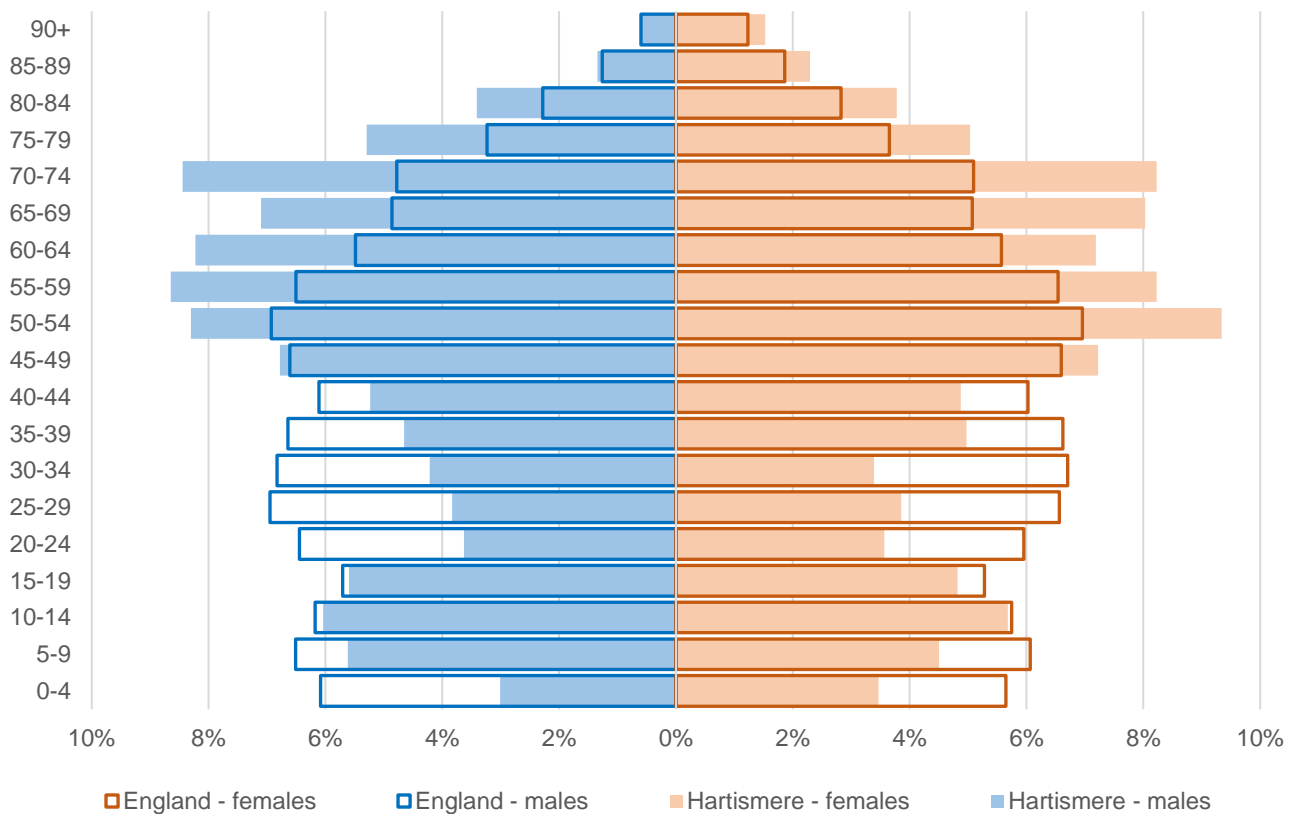
## **Technical Notes:**

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.
2. 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 Hartismere stood at 10,091, an increase of 6.2% since the 2011 Census. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

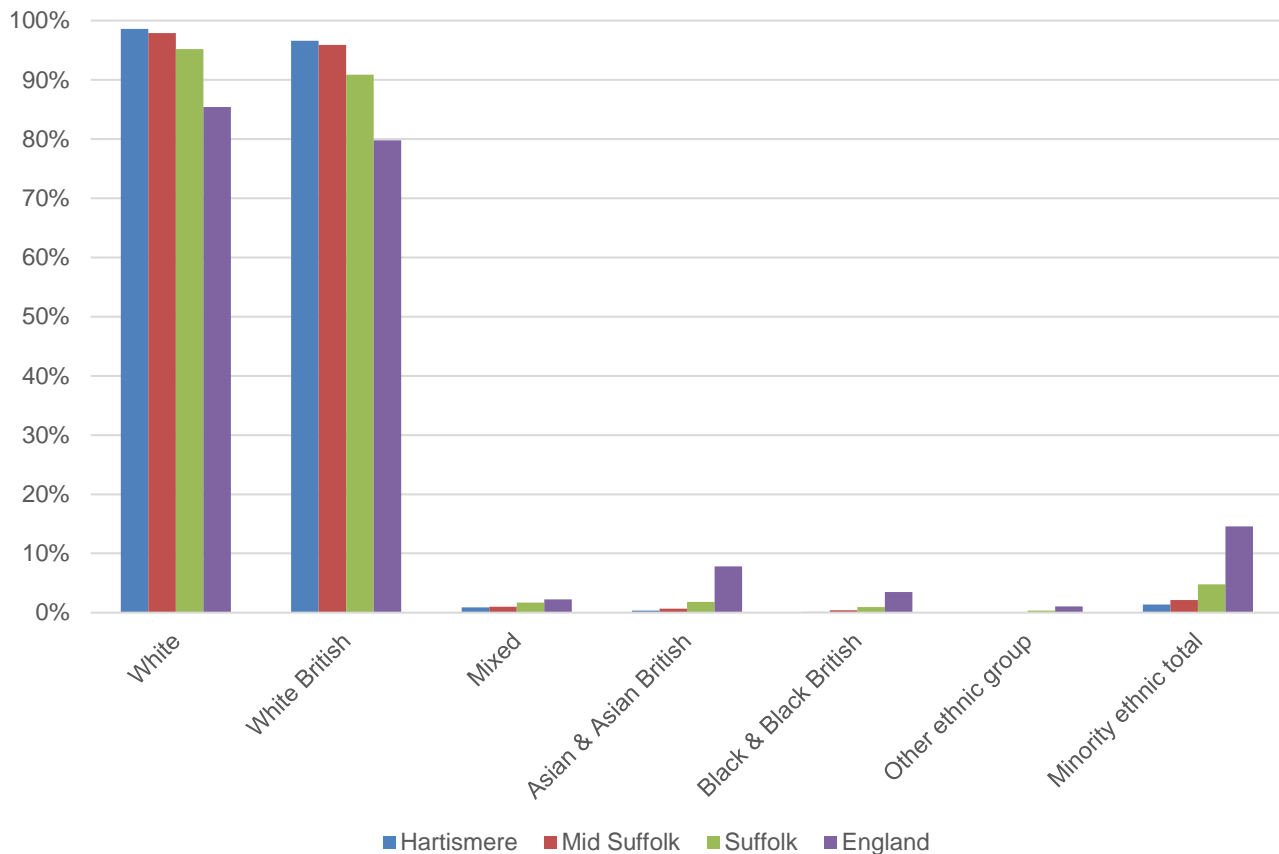
	Hartismere Division	Rickingham	Gislingham	Palgrave	Walsham-le-Willows
<b>All Ages</b>	<b>10,091</b>	2,944	2,889	2,454	1,804
<b>0-4</b>	<b>327</b>	77	86	82	82
<b>5-9</b>	<b>510</b>	143	150	126	91
<b>10-14</b>	<b>591</b>	165	166	164	96
<b>15-19</b>	<b>525</b>	140	159	136	90
<b>20-24</b>	<b>363</b>	121	111	67	64
<b>25-29</b>	<b>388</b>	113	104	91	80
<b>30-34</b>	<b>383</b>	98	104	91	90
<b>35-39</b>	<b>486</b>	146	131	128	81
<b>40-44</b>	<b>510</b>	146	138	115	111
<b>45-49</b>	<b>707</b>	185	216	187	119
<b>50-54</b>	<b>891</b>	233	301	203	154
<b>55-59</b>	<b>851</b>	231	233	222	165
<b>60-64</b>	<b>777</b>	233	235	171	138
<b>65-69</b>	<b>764</b>	249	212	184	119
<b>70-74</b>	<b>841</b>	256	260	194	131
<b>75-79</b>	<b>521</b>	170	126	136	89
<b>80-84</b>	<b>363</b>	127	80	94	62
<b>85-89</b>	<b>184</b>	75	47	37	25
<b>90+</b>	<b>109</b>	36	30	26	17



- The age pyramid for Hartismere shows a higher-than-average proportion of people over the age of 45. The division has a relatively elderly population profile.

- The most common age group in Hartismere is 50–54-year-olds, followed by 55–59-year-olds.
- The proportion of the population of retirement age is already high and looks set to increase in the coming years.
- There is a much lower than average number of people of working age, particularly 20-39-year-olds.

## ETHNICITY

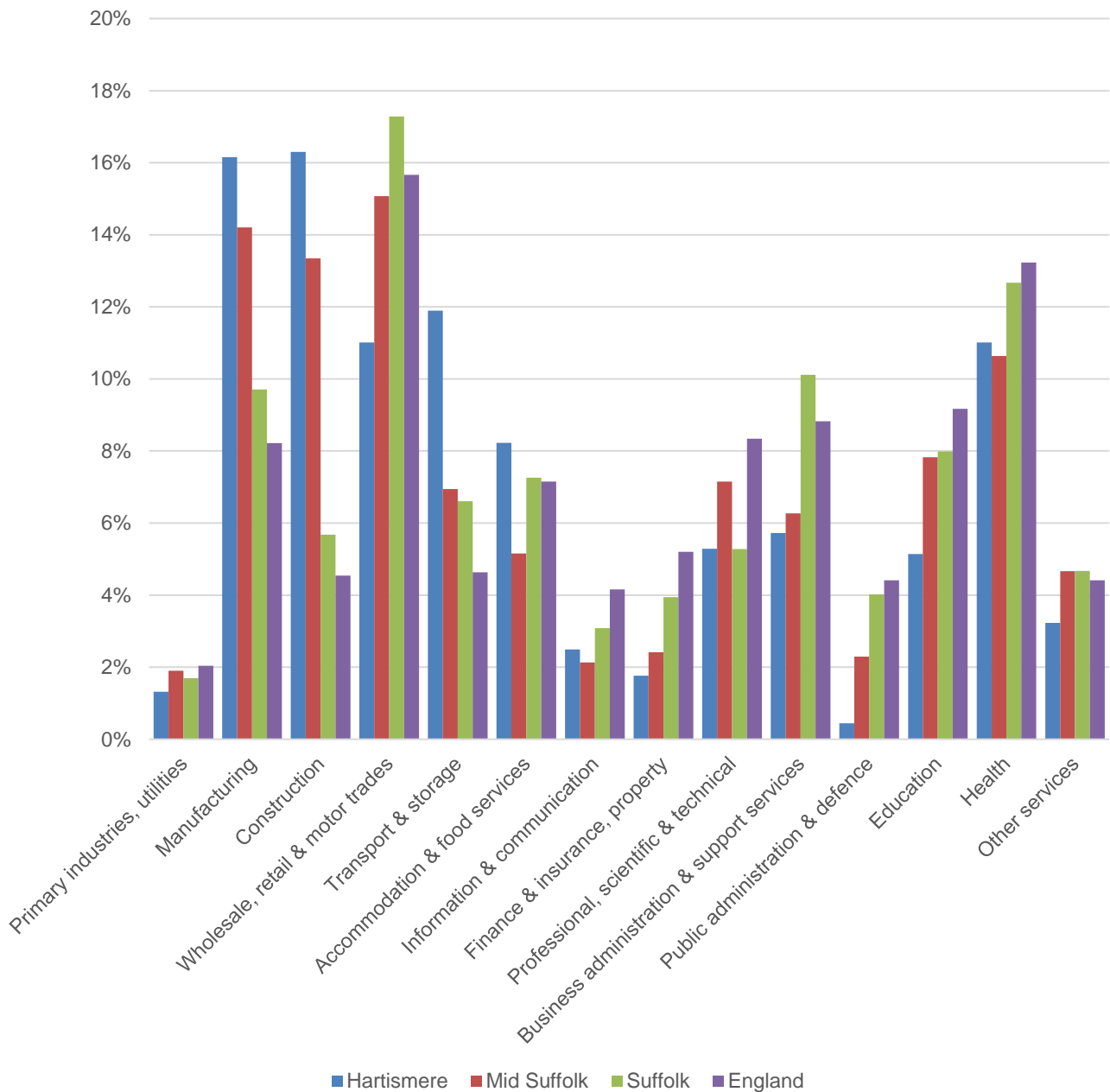


- According to the latest data (2011 Census), 98.6% (9,372) of the population of Hartismere are white, more than 3 percentage points higher than the figure for Suffolk.
- There are 133 (1.4%) people of minority ethnic origin in the division, less than a third of the figure for Suffolk overall.
- Hartismere has a similar diversity profile to Mid Suffolk, and generally lower proportions of minority ethnic groups than Suffolk as a whole.

	All people	White		White British		Mixed		Asian and Asian British		Black and Black British		Other Ethnic Group		Total minority ethnic population	
	Count	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Hartismere	9,505	9,372	98.6	9,182	96.6	82	0.9	33	0.3	14	0.1	4	0.0	133	1.4
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

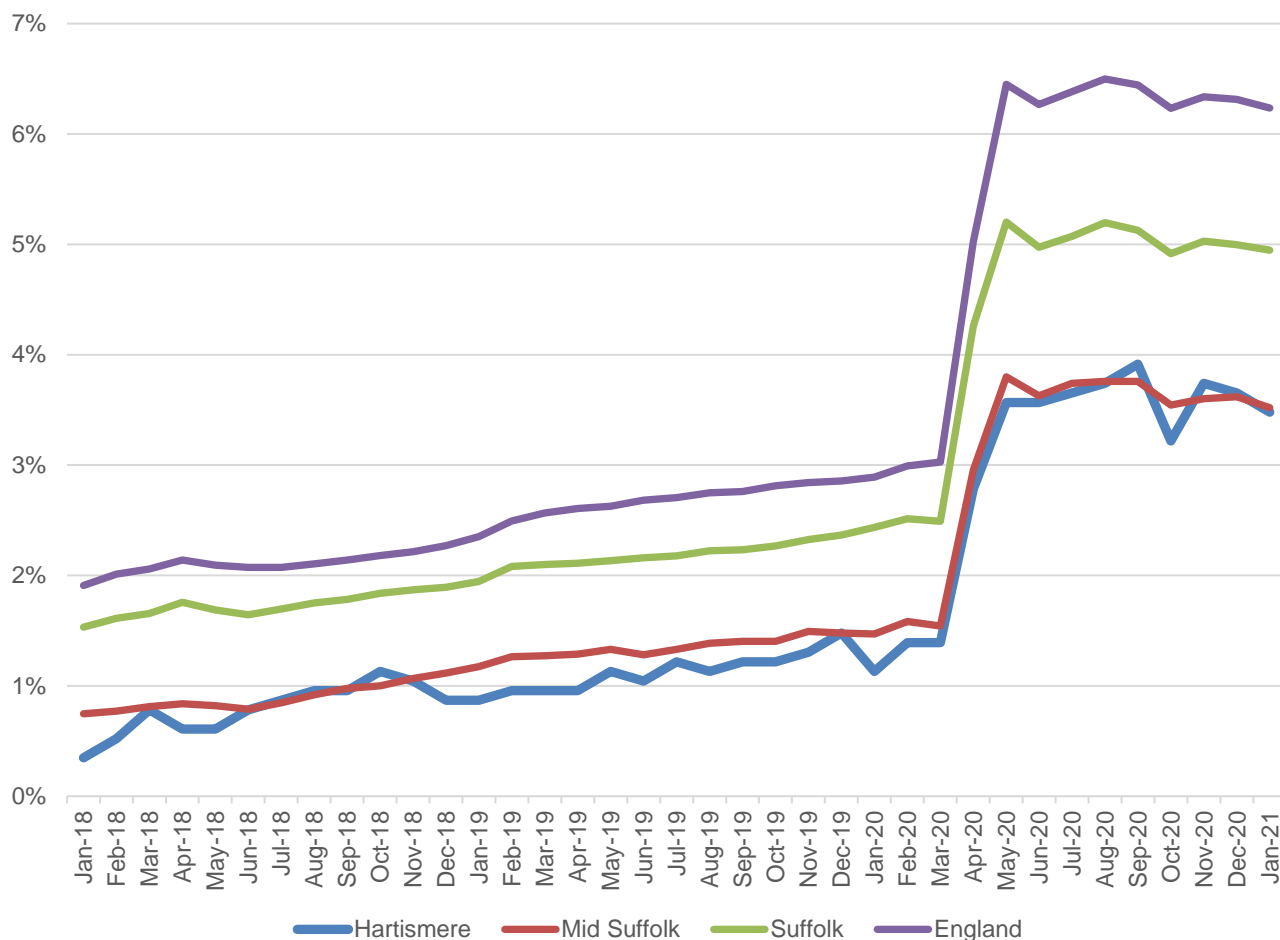
There are 3,400 people employed in Hartismere.



- The key employment sectors in Hartismere are construction, manufacturing, transport and storage, health and wholesale, retail and motor trades.
- Two-thirds of jobs in Hartismere are in these five sectors.
- Manufacturing, construction and transport and storage are particular strengths of Mid Suffolk as a whole, and Hartismere has an even higher proportion of jobs in these sectors than the district overall.

# LABOUR MARKET

## OUT-OF-WORK BENEFIT CLAIMANT RATE



- Hartismere 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 similar to the Mid Suffolk average.
- In percentage terms, approximately 3.5% of the working age population of Hartismere are claiming out-of-work benefits in January 2021.



# SCHOOLS

## SCHOOL INFORMATION

### Schools in the Division

Name	Phase	Academy Status	Average cohort size at:				Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
			Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)		
Gislingham CofE Primary School	Primary	AC	19	15			Outstanding*	18/10/2012
Mellis CofE Primary School	Primary	AC	25	26			Good	24/01/2019
Palgrave CofE Primary School	Primary	AC	11	11			Good*	08/10/2019
St Botolph's CEVCP School	Primary	LA	22	30			Good	05/10/2012
Walsham-le-Willows CEVCP School	Primary	LA	18	21			Good	10/05/2013
Worham Primary School	Primary	AC	15	13			Outstanding*	16/07/2014

### Schools with catchments that overlap with the Division

Name	Phase	Academy Status	Average cohort size at:				Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
			Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)		
St Peter & St Paul CofE Primary School, Eye	Primary	AC	22	26			Good*	07/06/2013
Thorndon CEVCP School	Primary	LA	9	11			Requires improvement	19/06/2019
Hartismere School	Secondary	AC			144	98	Outstanding	26/11/2014
Thurston Community College	Secondary	LA			296	135	Good	23/03/2018

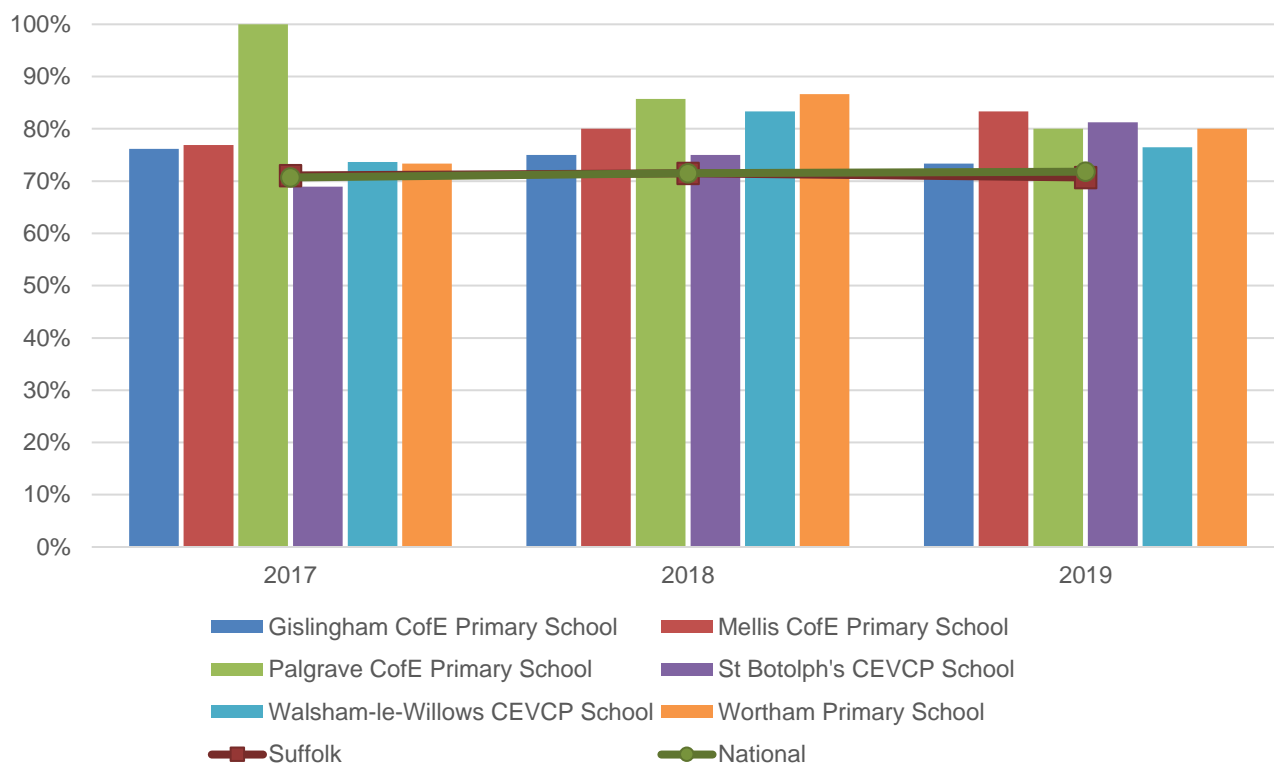
Academy Status key: AS = Academy Sponsored, AC = Academy Converter, LA = LA Maintained, F = Free

\*The latest full inspection judgement does not relate to the current school

# SCHOOL ATTAINMENT

## Foundation Stage Profile (reception)

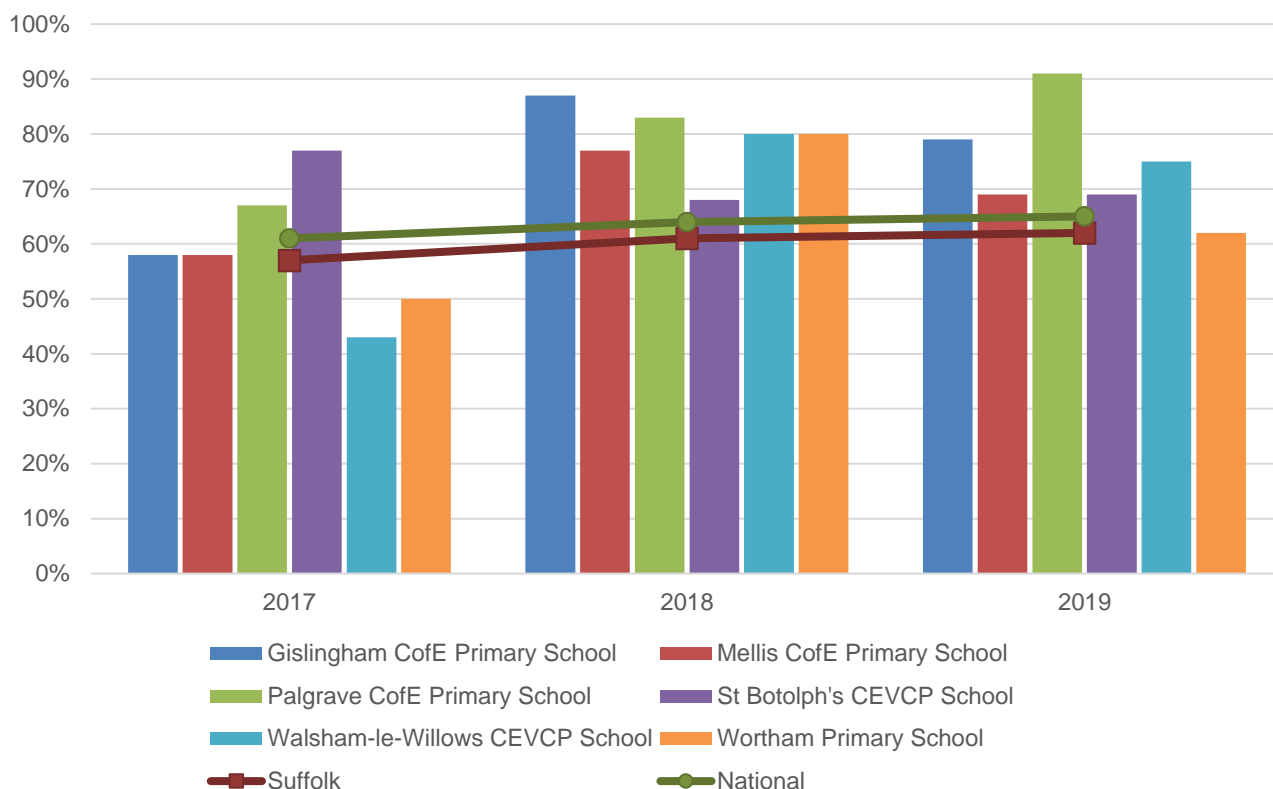
% pupils achieving Good Level of Development



- Foundation Stage attainment in Hartismere division has been stable at a high level over the last three years of available data.
- Pupil attainment at all six schools has been almost invariably above the county and national benchmarks from 2017 to 2019.
- Only the 2017 attainment from St Botolph's CEVCP School was below average among Hartismere's schools during this period.

## Key Stage 2 (age 11)

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



- Key stage 2 attainment has generally been good across Hartismere schools, particularly in 2018 and 2019.
- Pupil attainment at Gislingham Church of England Primary, Mellis Church of England Primary, Palgrave Church of England Primary and St Botolph's CEVCP Schools have all been consistently above the Suffolk average each year, with attainment at the latter two schools also exceeding the national benchmark.
- Attainment at Walsham-le-Willows CEVCP and Wortham Primary Schools was low in 2017, but recovered to a level similar to the other schools in the division in the subsequent two years.

## 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)

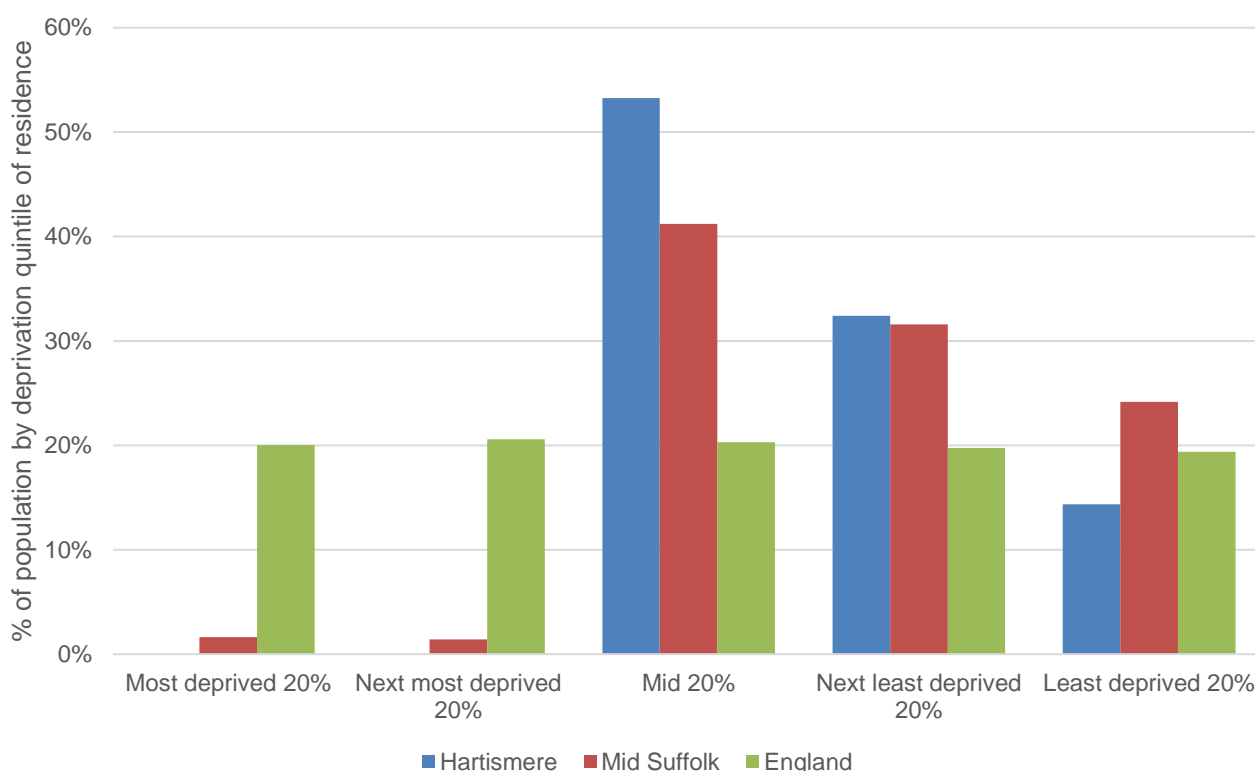


- In January 2021, 3.7% of 16–18-year-olds were classified as NEET in Hartismere (where current activity is known).
- NEET levels in the division have fluctuated above or below the rate for the district during the last 18 months in particular, but are consistently lower than the rate for the county overall.

## 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.



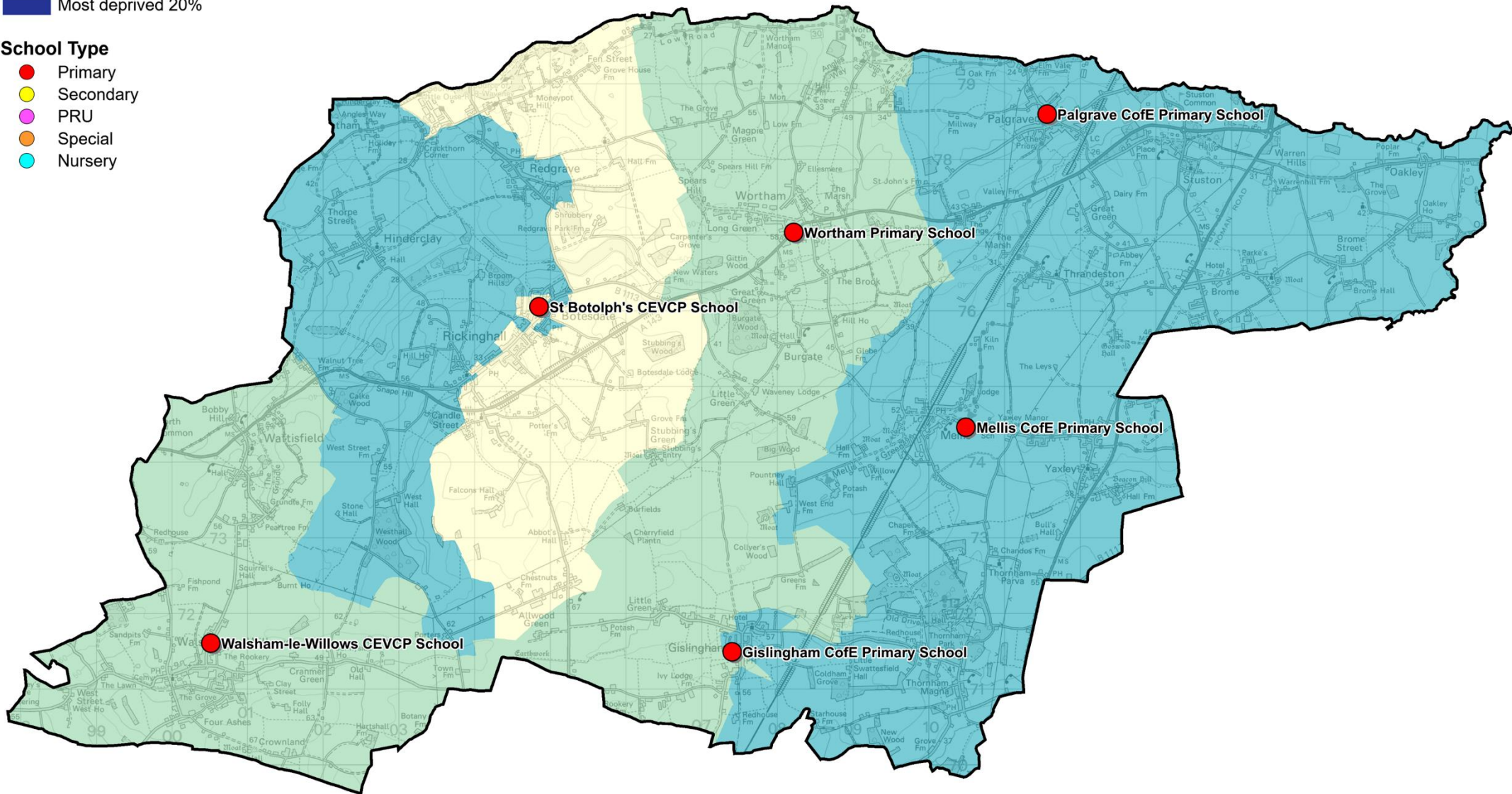
- The IMD 2019 shows that relative deprivation levels in Hartismere are moderate to low, with no part of the division classified among the most deprived 40% of areas in England.
- Of the six Lower Super Output Areas in Hartismere, three fall into the mid 20% (just over half of the population of the division live in these LSOAs, as shown in the chart above), two fall into the next least deprived 20% (32% of the population of the division) and one is in the least deprived 20% (the remaining 14% of the population of Hartismere).

IMD 2019 quintile

- Least deprived 20%
- Next least deprived 20%
- Mid 20%
- Next most deprived 20%
- Most deprived 20%

School Type

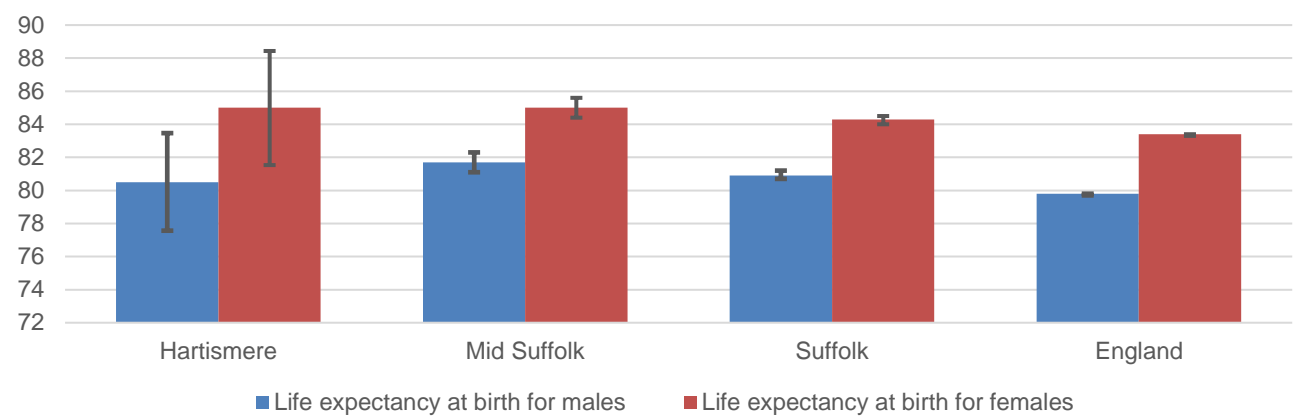
- Primary
- Secondary
- PRU
- Special
- Nursery



# HEALTH

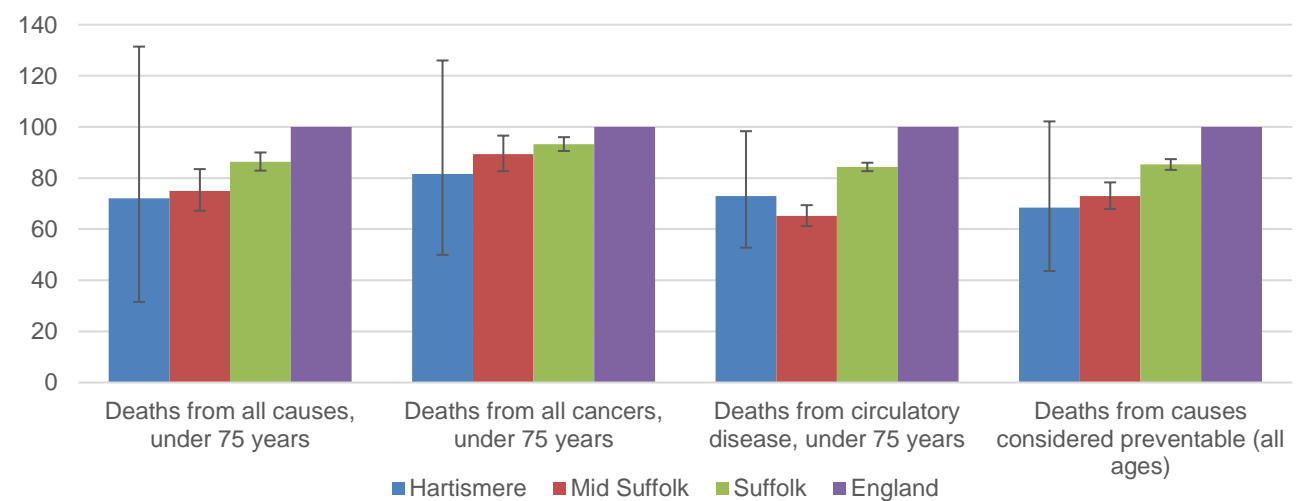
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is 95% chance of the true result lying.

## LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



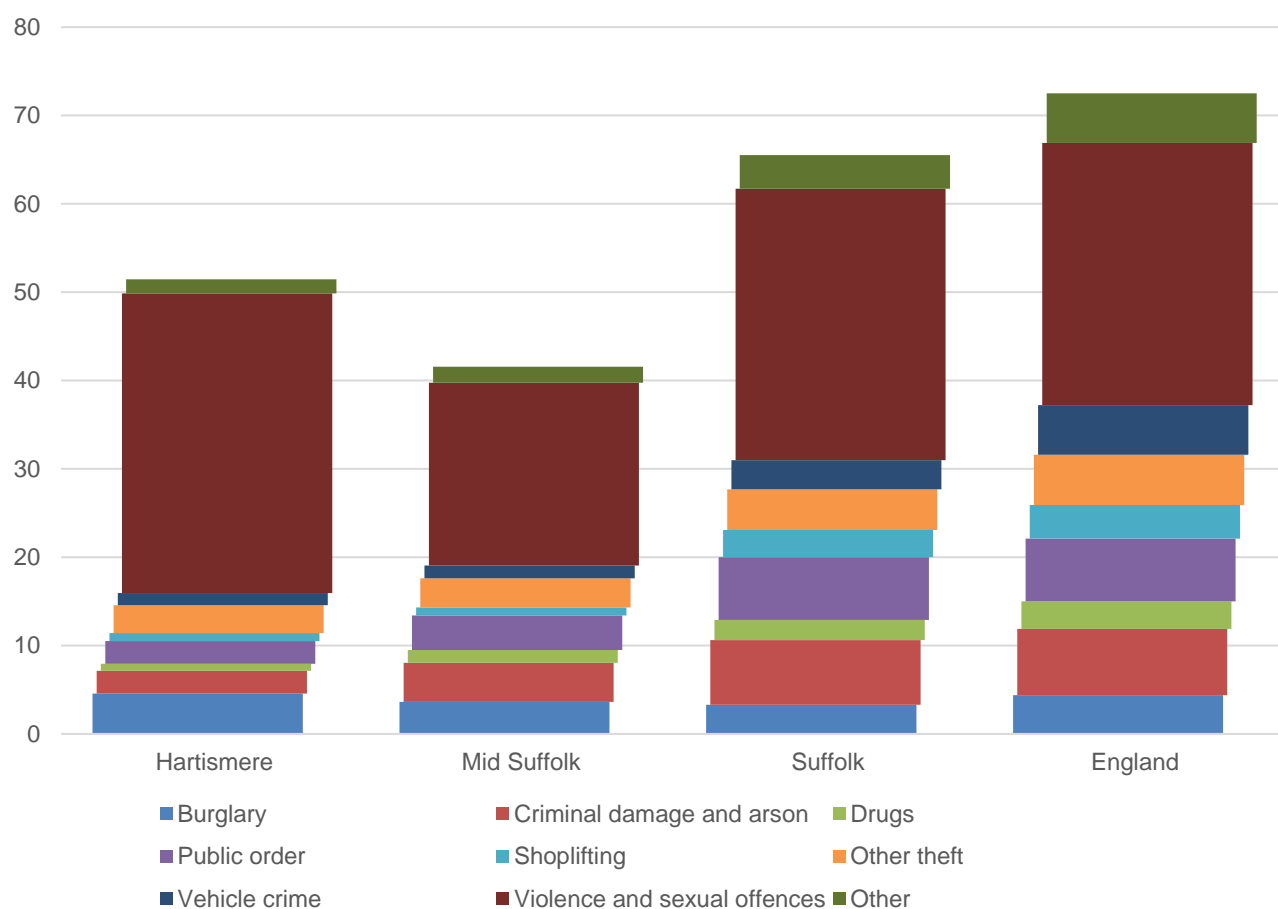
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for males in Hartismere is similar to that for the county but somewhat higher than the figure for England as a whole.
- For females, life expectancy at birth in the division is at the same level as Mid Suffolk and marginally higher than the Suffolk average.
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for males in the division is 80.5 years (compared to 81.7 in Mid Suffolk and 80.9 in Suffolk), while for females it is over four years longer, at 85 (the same as the figure for Mid Suffolk and higher than the Suffolk average of 84.3).

## DEATHS, UNDER 75 YEARS, STANDARDISED MORTALITY RATIO



- Deaths among under 75 years (all causes) are lower in Hartismere than the averages for Mid Suffolk, the county and England.
- 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 72 comparable deaths in Hartismere.
- Generally, the rates of deaths in those under 75 and deaths for these conditions and deaths from causes considered preventable for all ages are below the rates for Mid Suffolk and much lower than those for Suffolk and the country overall.
- 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 Hartismere is somewhat higher than that for Mid Suffolk, but significantly lower than Suffolk as a whole.
- In the year to the end of January 2021 there were 51 recorded crimes per 1,000 residents in the division compared to 42 in Mid Suffolk and 66 across the county as a whole.
- The most commonly recorded type of crime in the division is violence and sexual offences, which accounts for two-thirds of crimes in the division and occurs at a higher rate than in Suffolk as a whole.
- Hartismere also experiences a higher rate of burglary compared to Mid Suffolk and the county, similar to the national average.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Parishes in Division

Botesdale  
Brome and Oakley  
Burgate  
Gislingham  
Hinderclay  
Mellis  
Palgrave  
Redgrave  
Rickingham Inferior

Rickingham Superior  
Stuston  
Thornham Magna  
Thornham Parva  
Thrandeston  
Walsham-le-Willows  
Wattisfield  
Wortham  
Yaxley



## DATA SOURCES

Category	Indicator	Source
Demographic Profile	Quinary population table 2019	ONS 2019 mid-year population estimates
	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
Labour market	Claimant count: The number of people claiming Jobseeker's Allowance plus those who claim Universal Credit who are out of work (% 16-64 population) January 2018- February 2021	DWP via NOMIS
Education	School information and attainment 2017-2019	Suffolk County Council
	% 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 Hartismere Electoral Division, see the Suffolk Observatory [www.suffolkobservatory.info](http://www.suffolkobservatory.info)

