





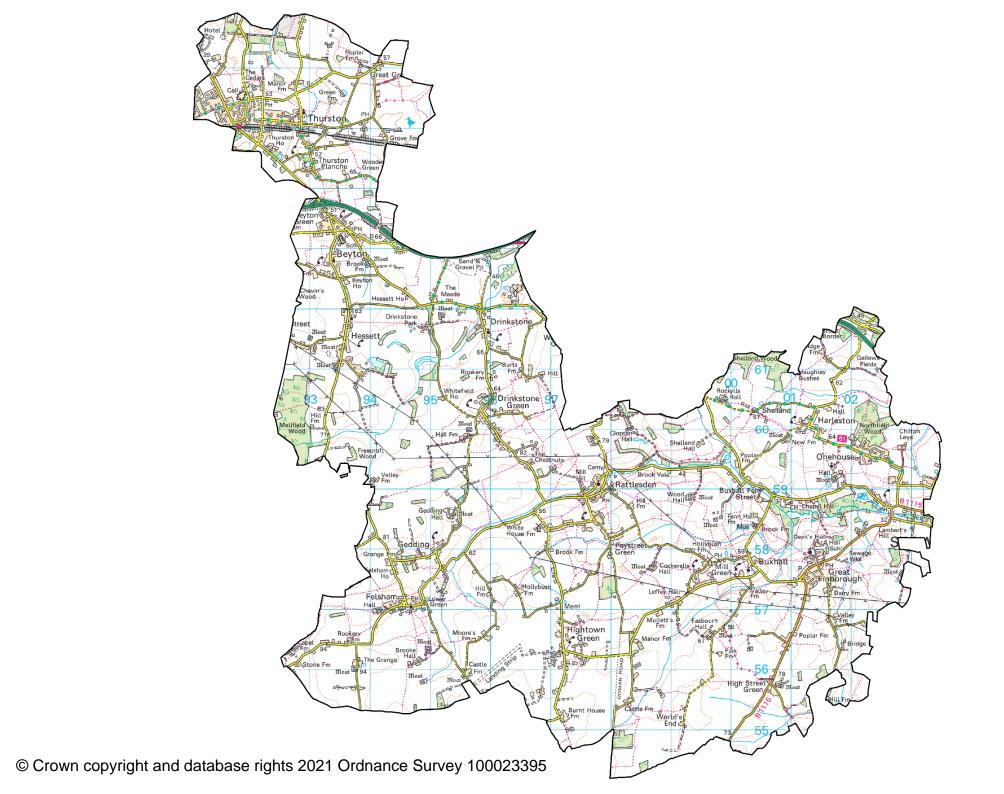
# THEDWASTRE

## SOUTH

## **ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE 2021**

This Division comprises Rattlesden Ward in its entirety plus part of Thurston, Onehouse, Elmswell & Woolpit and Chilton Wards

www.suffolkobservatory.info



#### **CONTENTS**

- Demographic Profile: Age & Ethnicity
- Economy and Labour Market
- Schools & NEET
- Index of Multiple Deprivation
- Health
- Crime & Community Safety
- Data Sources

#### **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

#### www.suffolkobservatory.info

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.

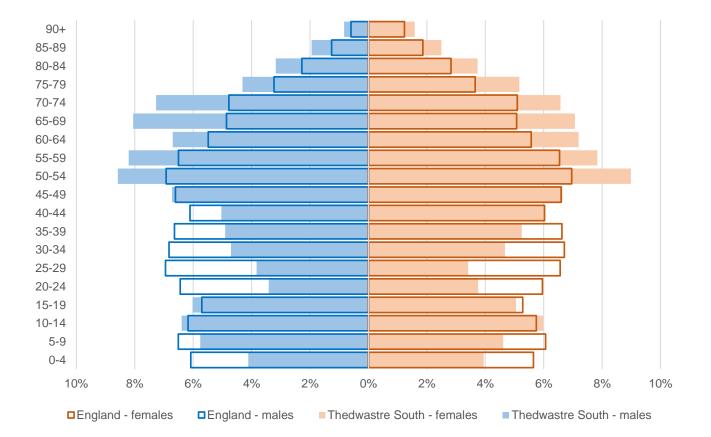
#### **Technical Notes:**

- 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 Thedwastre South stood at 9,253, an increase of 4.5% since the 2011 Census. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

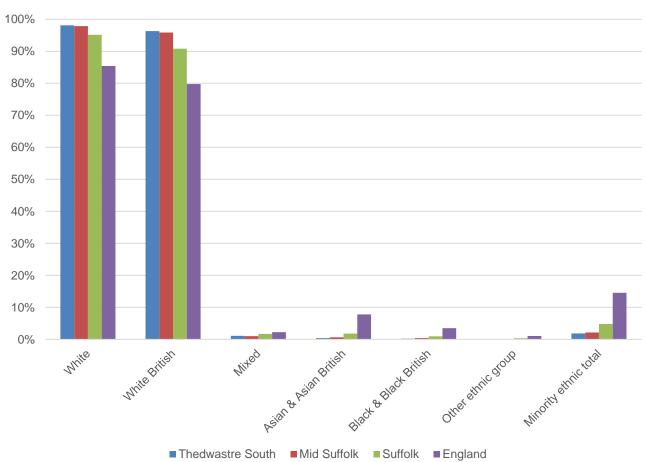
	Thedwastre South Division	Thurston	Rattlesden	Onehouse
All Ages	9,253	4,091	3,238	1,924
0-4	373	150	130	93
5-9	479	203	178	98
10-14	572	273	202	97
15-19	512	238	165	109
20-24	332	153	105	74
25-29	335	152	106	77
30-34	434	200	142	92
35-39	470	228	155	87
40-44	514	214	183	117
45-49	618	272	217	129
50-54	813	357	286	170
55-59	742	308	290	144
60-64	643	300	233	110
65-69	699	296	276	127
70-74	640	259	243	138
75-79	439	197	147	95
80-84	320	159	89	72
85-89	206	88	59	59
90+	112	44	32	36



 The age pyramid for Thedwastre South shows a higher-than-average proportion of adults over the age of 45 and much lower proportions of those under 40 than nationally.

- The most common age group in the division is 50-54, followed by 55-59 and 65-69 years.
- Thedwastre South has a relatively large proportion of those aged over 65, and a smaller proportion of young children.

#### **ETHNICITY**

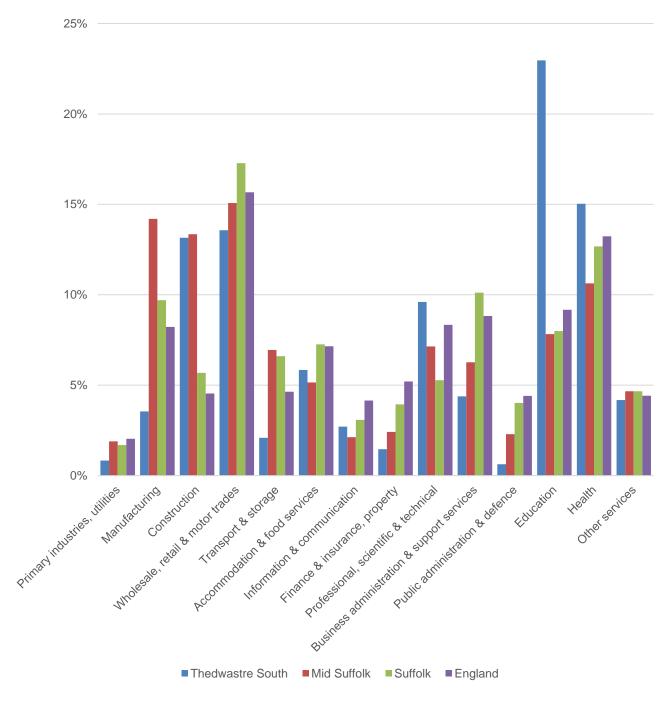


- According to the latest data (2011 Census), 98.1% (8,689) of the population of Thedwastre South are white, higher than the rate for Suffolk.
- There are 164 (1.9%) people of minority ethnic origin in the division, similar to Mid Suffolk overall.
- Thedwastre South has a similar diversity profile to Mid Suffolk district, and lower proportions of minority ethnic groups than Suffolk as a whole.

	All people	Whit	e	White B	ritish Mixed Asian		Asian and Black and Asian Black British British		Other Ethnic Group		Total minority ethnic population				
	Count	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
Thedwastre South	8,853	8,689	98.1	8,526	96.3	97	1.1	38	0.4	20	0.2	9	0.1	164	1.9
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**

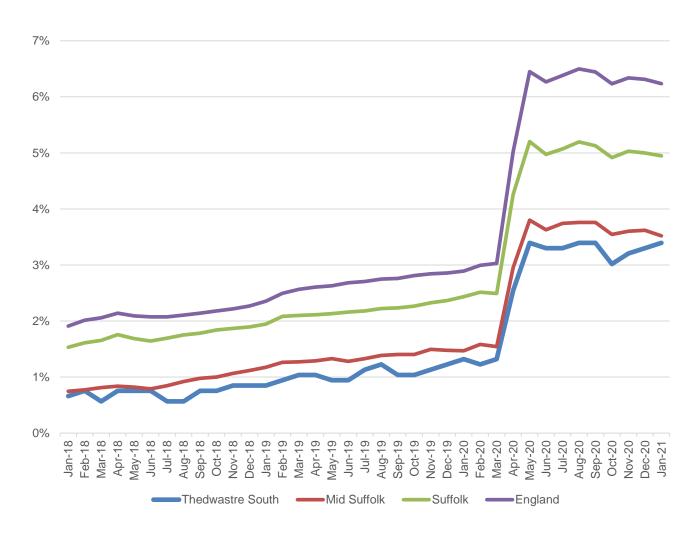
There are 2,400 people employed in Thedwastre South.



- The key employment sectors in Thedwastre South are education, health, wholesale, retail
  and motor trades and construction.
- These four sectors account for almost two-thirds of employment in the division.
- Education alone provides almost a quarter of jobs in Thedwastre South.

#### LABOUR MARKET

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



- Thedwastre South 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 England as a whole.
- Claimant unemployment levels in the division are consistently below those of the district, county and England as a whole.
- In percentage terms, approximately 3.4% of the working age population of Thedwastre South are claiming out-of-work benefits in January 2021.

#### **S**CHOOLS

#### **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

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

			Ave	_	ohort : t:	size		
Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Great Finborough CEVCP School	Primary	LA	20	16			Good	25/11/2011
Rattlesden CofE Primary Academy	Primary	AC	14	17			Good	18/10/2018
Thurston CofE Primary Academy	Primary	AC	28	26			Good*	06/12/2012
Thurston Community College	Secondary	LA			296	135	Good	23/03/2018
Olive AP Academy Suffolk (Central)	PRU	AS					Inadequate*	12/02/2015

School Catchment overlaps with 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
Chilton Community Primary School	Primary	AC	19	27			Good*	13/12/2017
Rougham CofE Primary School	Primary	AS	24	25			Inadequate*	19/01/2017
Woolpit Primary Academy	Primary	AC	24	20			Requires improvement	14/11/2018
Stowmarket High School	Secondary	AS			145	69	Requires improvement*	05/07/2018

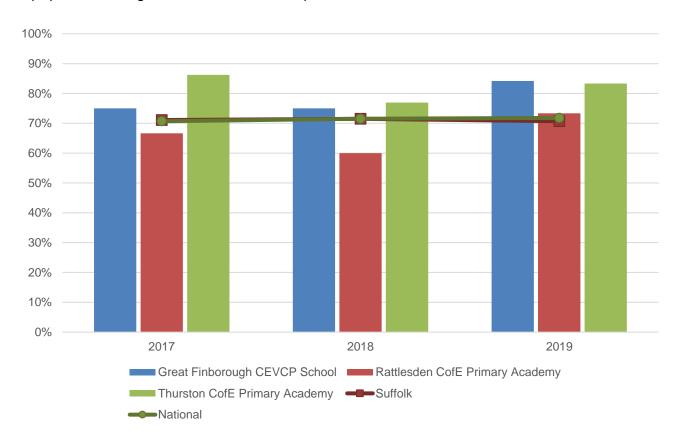
Academy Status key: AS = Academy Sponsored, AC = Academy Converter, LA = LA Maintained, F = Free

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

#### SCHOOL ATTAINMENT

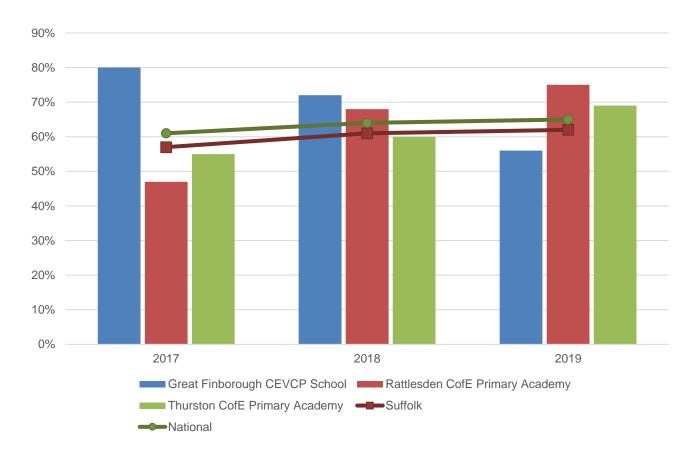
#### **Foundation Stage Profile (reception)**

% pupils achieving Good Level of Development



- Foundation Stage attainment at schools in Thedwastre South has fluctuated somewhat, with higher attainment in 2017 and 2019 compared to 2018.
- Pupil attainment at Great Finborough CEVCP School and Thurston Church of England Primary Academy has been consistently above the county and national benchmark throughout this period.
- Rattlesden Church of England Primary Academy has been consistently the lowest performing school in the division, but 2019 attainment at the school was also above the national average.

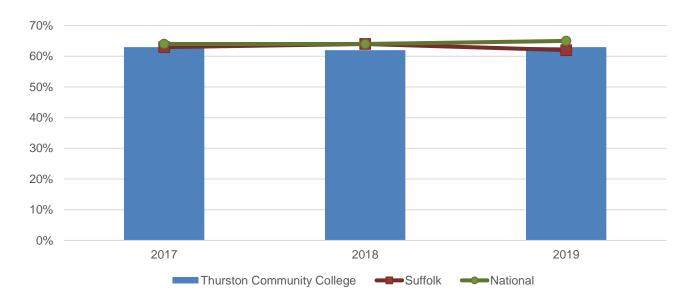
### Key Stage 2 (age 11) % pupils achieving the Expected Level or better in Reading, Writing and Mathematics



- Key Stage 2 attainment at schools in Thedwastre South has been quite variable from year to year and between schools.
- Pupil attainment at Great Finborough CEVCP School has declined steadily during this period, falling from a position well above the national average in 2017 to nine percentage points below average in 2019.
- Rattlesden and Thurston Church of England Primary Academies have seen the opposite trend, with a steady rise in KS2 attainment throughout this period. In 2019, a greater percentage of pupils at both schools achieved the expected level or better in reading, writing and mathematics than nationally.

#### Key Stage 4 (GCSE) (age 16)

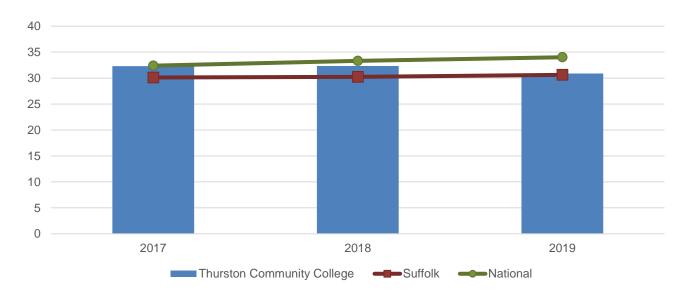
% pupils achieving level 4-9 in English and Mathematics



- GCSE attainment at Thurston Community College has remained fairly stable at a very similar level to the county and national benchmarks.
- In 2019, 63% of pupils achieved level 4-9 in English and mathematics at Thurston Community College, compared to 62% across Suffolk and 65% nationally.

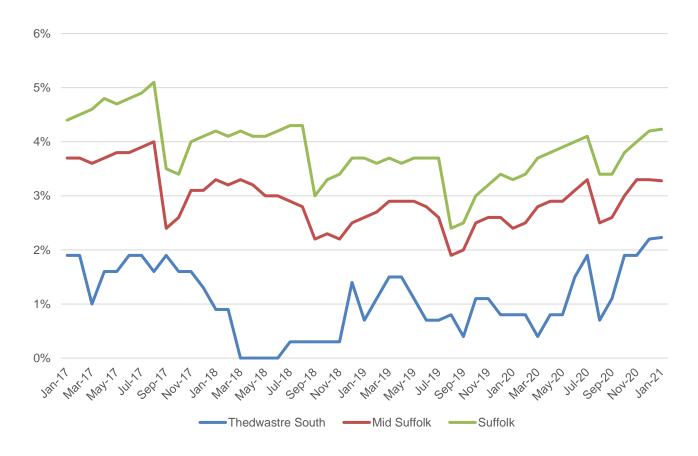
#### Key Stage 5 (A level) (age 18)

A Level Points entry



- A level attainment at Thurston Community College has declined steadily from 2017 to 2019.
- In 2017, attainment at the College was very similar to the national average but it has not kept track with the national trend since then.

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

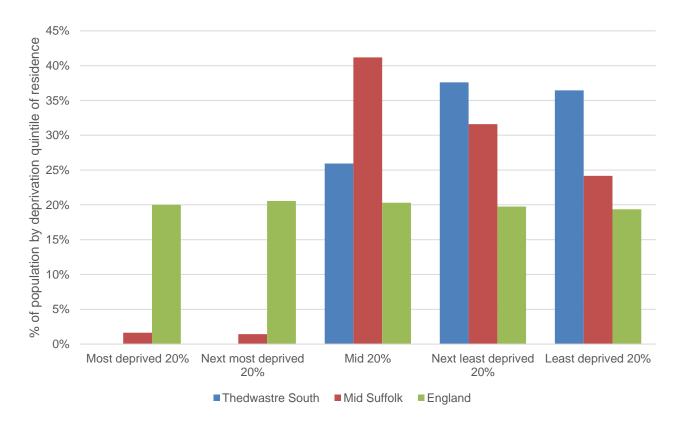


- In January 2021, 2.2% of 16–18-year-olds in Thedwastre South were classified as NEET (where current activity is known).
- NEET levels in Thedwastre South are consistently lower than the rate for Mid Suffolk and Suffolk.

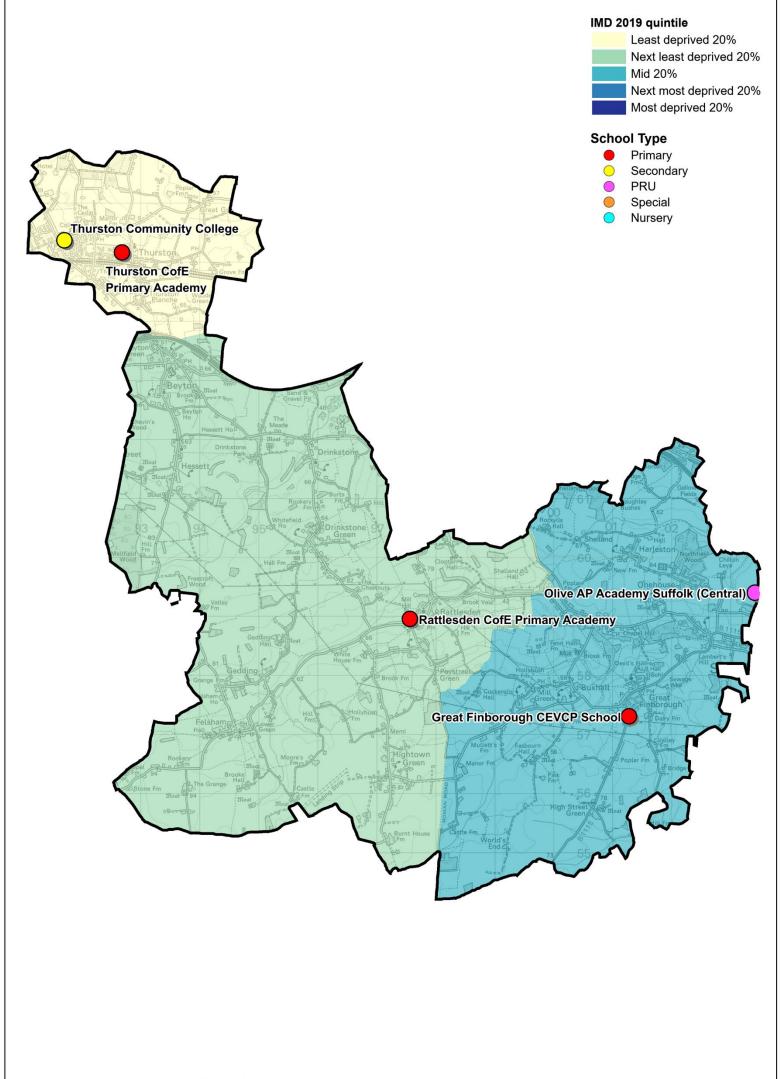
## INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (IMD) 2019 (SEE MAP OVERLEAF)

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.



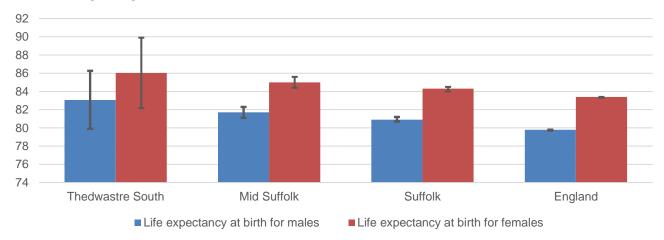
- The IMD 2019 shows that relative deprivation levels in Thedwastre South are generally fairly low, with none of the population falling into the most deprived 40% of areas in England.
- Of the five Lower Super Output Areas comprising the division, two are in the least deprived quintile (home to 36% of the population of the division as shown in the chart above), two are in second least deprived quintile and one is in the middle quintile.



#### **HEALTH**

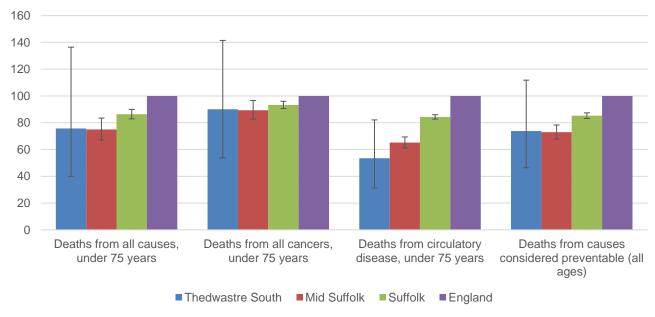
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is 95% chance of the true result lying.

#### LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



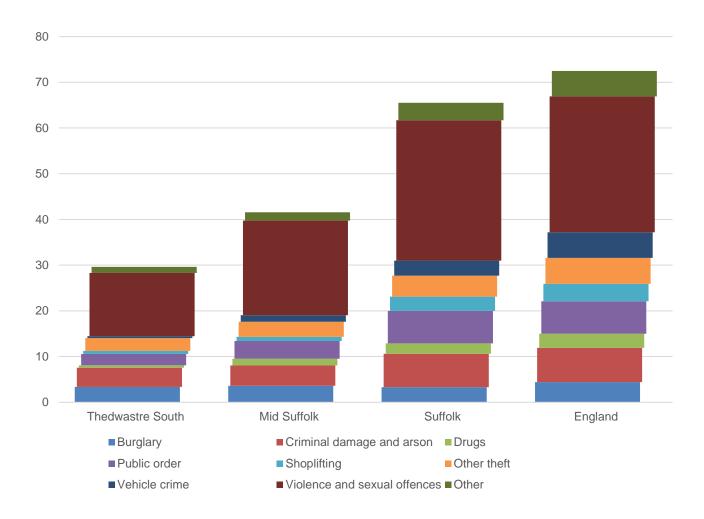
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for both males and females in Thedwastre South is above the Mid Suffolk, Suffolk and England averages.
- The estimated figure for male life expectancy in the division is 83 years (80.9 across Suffolk), while for females it is 3 years longer, at 86 years (84.3 is the Suffolk average).

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



- In Thedwastre South, the rate of deaths from all causes and all causes in those aged under 75 years, and all causes considered preventable across all age groups is lower than the Suffolk and England averages and similar to the Mid Suffolk level.
- 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 76 comparable deaths in Thedwastre South.
- Deaths from circulatory disease occur at a lower rate than across Suffolk and England as a whole, even taking into account the wide confidence intervals around these data.

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



- The crime rate in Thedwastre South is considerably lower than for Mid Suffolk district and under half of the rate for the county overall.
- In the year to the end of January 2021, there were just under 30 recorded crimes per 1,000 residents in Thedwastre South compared to 42 in Mid Suffolk and 66 across the county as a whole.
- The most commonly recorded type of crime in Thedwastre South is violence and sexual offences, which accounted for half of all crimes recorded in the division during this period.
- All types of crime are recorded at a lower rate in Thedwastre South than in Mid Suffolk, Suffolk or England, with the exception of burglaries, which occur at the same rate per 1,000 residents as across Suffolk on average.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **Parishes in Division**

Beyton Harleston
Buxhall Hessett
Drinkstone Onehouse
Felsham Rattlesden
Gedding Shelland
Great Finborough Thurston

#### **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				
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				
	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 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 Thedwastre South Electoral Division, see the Suffolk Observatory <u>www.suffolkobservatory.info</u>

