



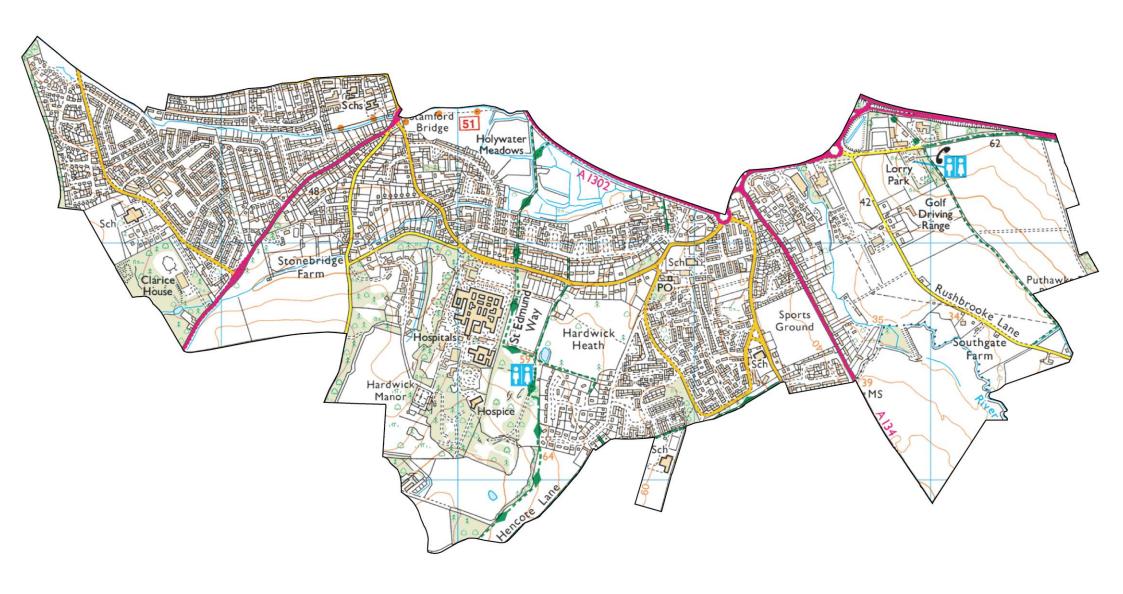


# HARDWICK

# **ELECTORAL DIVISION PROFILE 2021**

This Division comprises Southgate Ward in its entirety and part of Westgate Ward

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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.

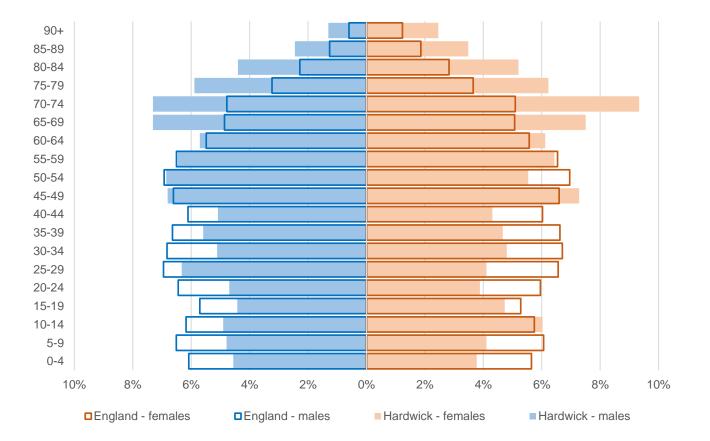
#### **Technical Notes:**

- 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 Hardwick stood at 8,841, an increase of 1.2% since the 2011 Census. The age structure of the component wards and the division as a whole is set out below.

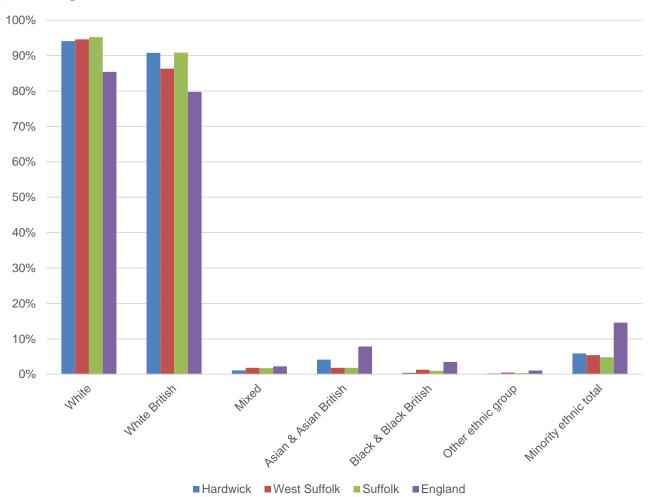
	Hardwick Division	Westgate	Southgate
All Ages	8,841	4,579	4,262
0-4	368	183	185
5-9	393	187	206
10-14	484	219	265
15-19	405	214	191
20-24	379	188	191
25-29	460	199	261
30-34	438	207	231
35-39	453	216	237
40-44	415	217	198
45-49	623	296	327
50-54	547	293	254
55-59	570	322	248
60-64	523	287	236
65-69	655	348	307
70-74	737	384	353
75-79	536	318	218
80-84	425	239	186
85-89	263	146	117
90+	167	116	51



- The age pyramid for Hardwick shows a higher-than-average proportion of people over the age of 59. The population of the division is more elderly than the England average.
- The most common age group in Hardwick is 70-74, followed by 65-69.

• There is a much lower than average number of people in the younger working age bands and young families in the division.

#### **ETHNICITY**

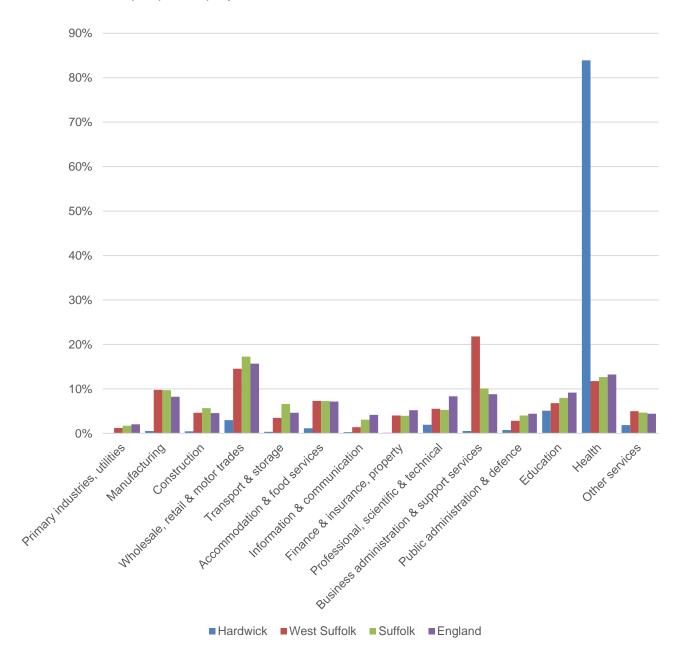


- According to the latest data (2011 Census), 94.1% (8,219) of the population of Hardwick are white, slightly below the rate for West Suffolk.
- The proportion of people of minority ethnic origin, at 5.9% is above the rate for both the district and the county.
- Hardwick has a similar diversity profile to West Suffolk and Suffolk, but with generally higher proportions of minority ethnic groups, particularly Asian and Asian British residents.

	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	%
Hardwick	8,734	8,219	94.1	7,930	90.8	96	1.1	362	4.1	35	0.4	22	0.3	515	5.9
West Suffolk	170,756	161,522	94.6	147,381	86.3	3,148	1.8	3,087	1.8	2,198	1.3	801	0.5	9,234	5.4
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**

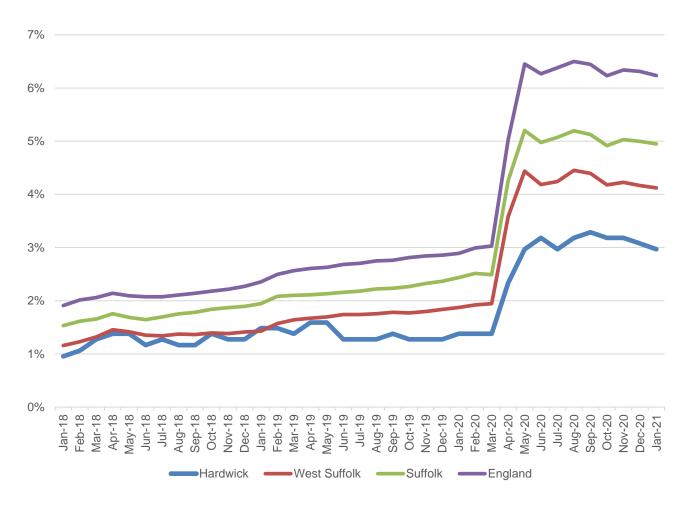
There are 7,500 people employed in Hardwick.



- Employment in Hardwick is dominated by the health sector and West Suffolk hospital, with more than 80% of jobs in the division provided by this sector.
- All other sectors support a lower than average proportion of jobs in Hardwick than across the district and county.

# LABOUR MARKET

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



- Hardwick 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.
- Since early 2019, claimant unemployment levels in the division have been consistently below those of the district, county and England as a whole.
- In percentage terms, approximately 3% of the working age population of Hardwick are claiming out-of-work benefits in January 2021.

# **S**CHOOLS

#### **SCHOOL INFORMATION**

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

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Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Hardwick Primary School	Primary	LA	41	33			Good	26/06/2013
Westgate Community Primary School	Primary	LA	53	37			Good	10/06/2011
Horringer Court Middle School	Secondary	AC		95			Good	14/02/2013
Riverwalk School	Special	AC	16	8	7		Good*	13/10/2016

#### Schools with catchments that overlap with the Division

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Name	Phase	Academy Status	Foundation Stage (age 5)	KS2 (age 11)	KS4 (age 16)	KS5 (age 18)	Latest Ofsted	Latest Ofsted Date
Guildhall Feoffment Community Primary School	Primary	LA	52	48			Good	18/01/2011
Sexton's Manor Community Primary School	Primary	LA	29	11			Good	08/05/2014
King Edward VI CEVC Upper School	Secondary	LA			276	201	Good	06/03/2019

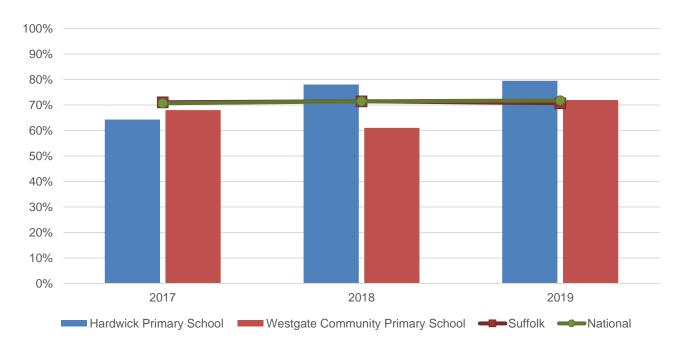
Academy Status key: AS = Academy Sponsored, AC = Academy Converter, LA = LA Maintained, F = Free

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

#### SCHOOL ATTAINMENT

#### Foundation Stage Profile (reception)

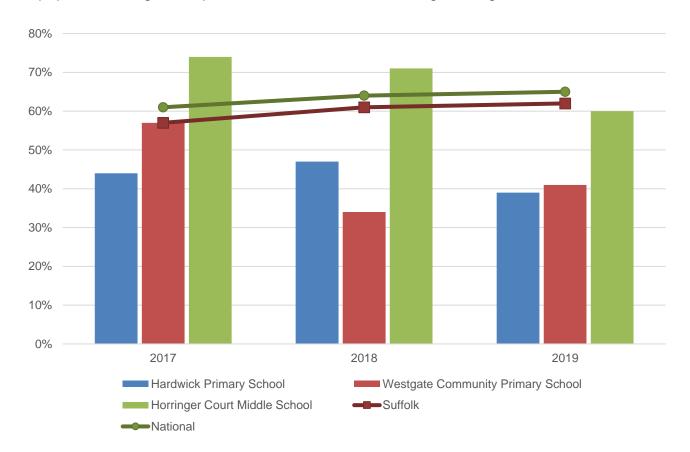
% pupils achieving Good Level of Development (GLD)



- Foundation Stage attainment at schools in Hardwick division has increased over the course of the last three years of available data.
- Pupil attainment at Hardwick Primary School has increased year on year, with the percentage of pupils achieving a Good Level of Development at the school in 2018 and 2019 being above the national and county averages.
- Westgate Community Primary School has seen more fluctuating Foundation Stage performance, but attainment there also reached the national benchmark in 2019.

#### Key Stage 2 (age 11)

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

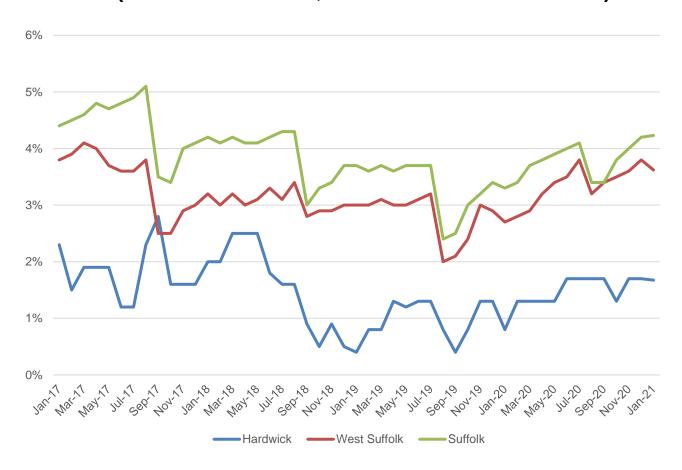


- Key stage 2 attainment at Horringer Court Middle School was above the county and national averages in 2017 and 2018, and only slightly below in 2019.
- KS2 pupil attainment at Hardwick Primary School and Westgate Community Primary School has been consistently below the national benchmark, often by a considerable margin.

#### 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)**

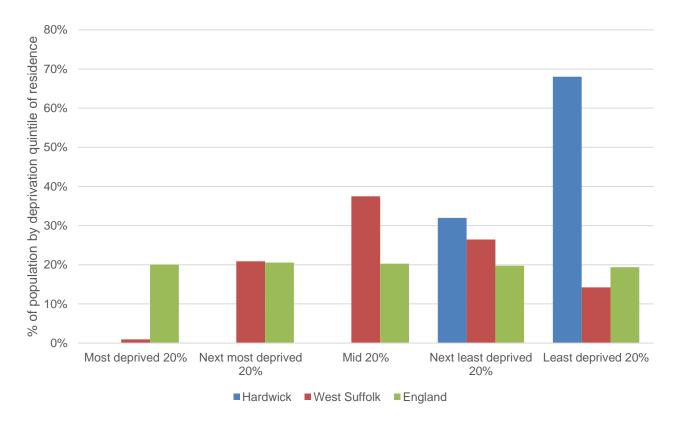


- In January 2021, 1.7% of 16–18-year-olds in Hardwick were classified as NEET (where current activity is known).
- NEET levels in the division are consistently lower than the rate for West Suffolk and Suffolk.

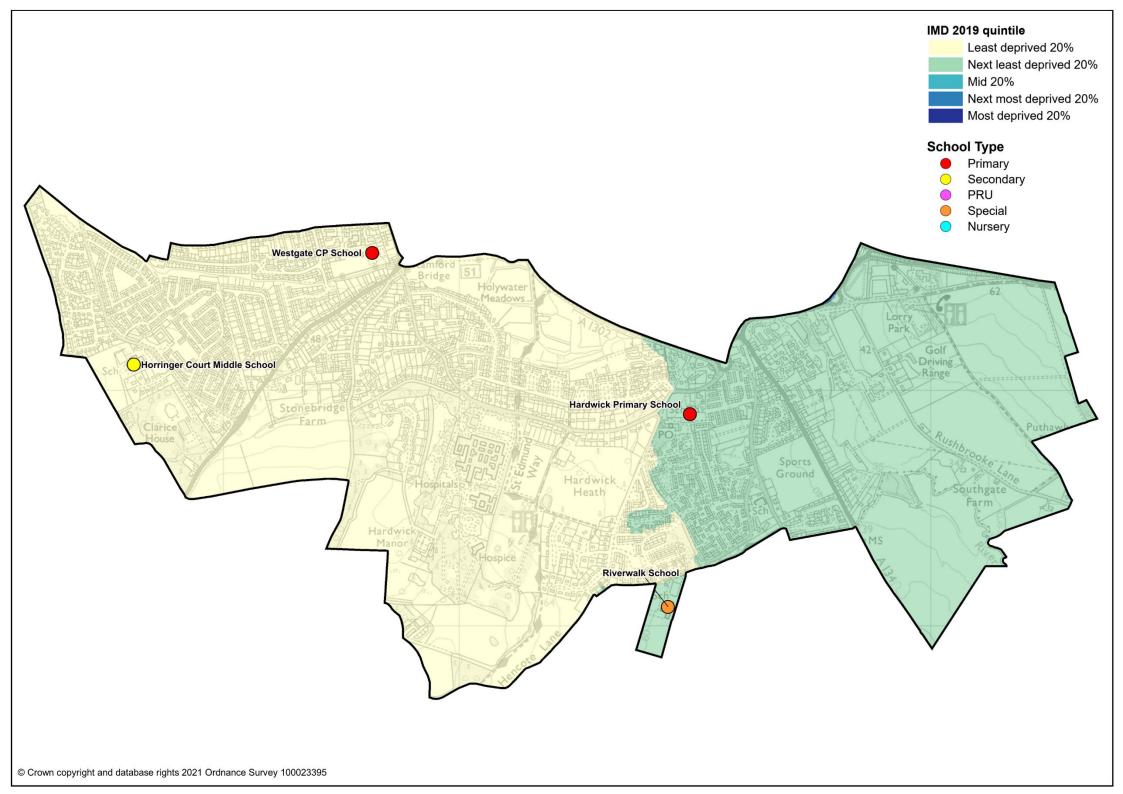
# INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (IMD) 2019 (SEE MAP OVERLEAF)

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.



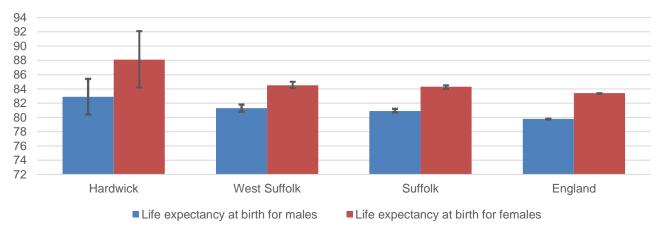
- The IMD 2019 shows that relative deprivation levels in Hardwick are low, with most parts
  of the division ranked in the least deprived 20% of areas in England.
- Of the six Lower Super Output Areas in the Division, four are ranked in the least deprived 20% in England (home to more than two-thirds of the population of the division as shown in the chart above), and two are in the next least deprived national quintile.



#### **HEALTH**

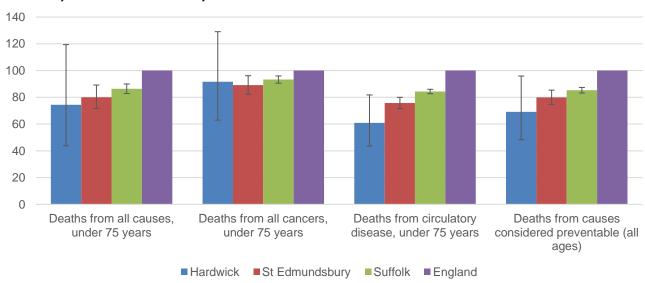
The local data used here is based on relatively small numbers. The confidence limits provide an indication of the reliability of the data. The 95% confidence intervals utilised on the chart provide a range within which there is 95% chance of the true result lying.

#### LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH



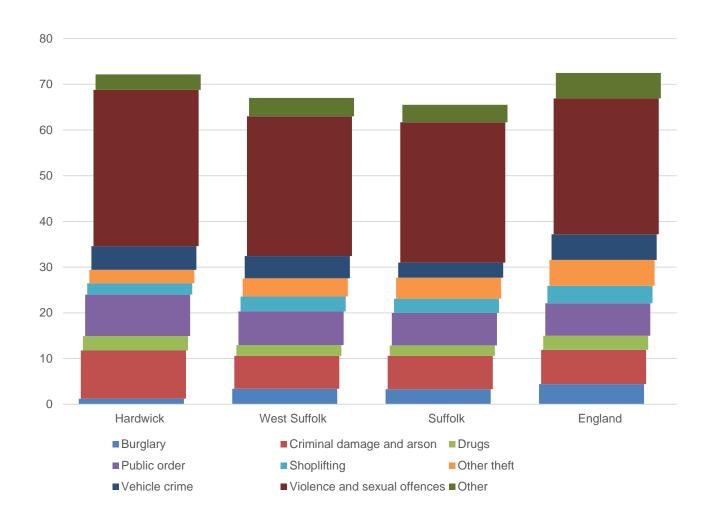
- Estimated life expectancy at birth for both males and females in Hardwick is above the West Suffolk, Suffolk and England averages.
- The estimated figure for male life expectancy in the division is 82.9 years (80.9 across Suffolk), while for females it is more than 5 years longer, at 88.1 years (84.3 is the Suffolk average).

# DEATHS, UNDER 75 YEARS, STANDARDISED MORTALITY RATIO



- Early deaths from all causes in those under 75 years are lower for Hardwick than for the district, 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 74 comparable deaths in Hardwick.
- Early deaths from cancer in the division are estimated to occur at a slightly higher rate than the district average.
- It should be noted that the confidence intervals around these data are particularly wide due to the small number of deaths at the local level.

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



- The crime rate in Hardwick is slightly higher than West Suffolk and Suffolk as a whole and similar to the England average.
- In the year to the end of January 2021, there were just over 72 recorded crimes per 1,000 residents in Hardwick compared to 67 in West Suffolk, 66 across Suffolk and 73 across England as a whole.
- The most common type of crime in the division is violence and sexual offences, which
  accounts for almost half of all crimes recorded in the division during this period.
- Hardwick saw a particularly high rate of criminal damage and arson crimes during this period, with 10.5 incidents recorded per 1,000 people compared to 7.2 in West Suffolk.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **Parishes in Division**

Bury St. Edmunds (part)

# **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 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 Hardwick Electoral Division, see the Suffolk Observatory  $\underline{\text{www.suffolkobservatory.info}}$ 

