



SNWA BURY ST EDMUNDS REPORTING AREA B (6 PARISHES)

End of Year Perspective – 2023

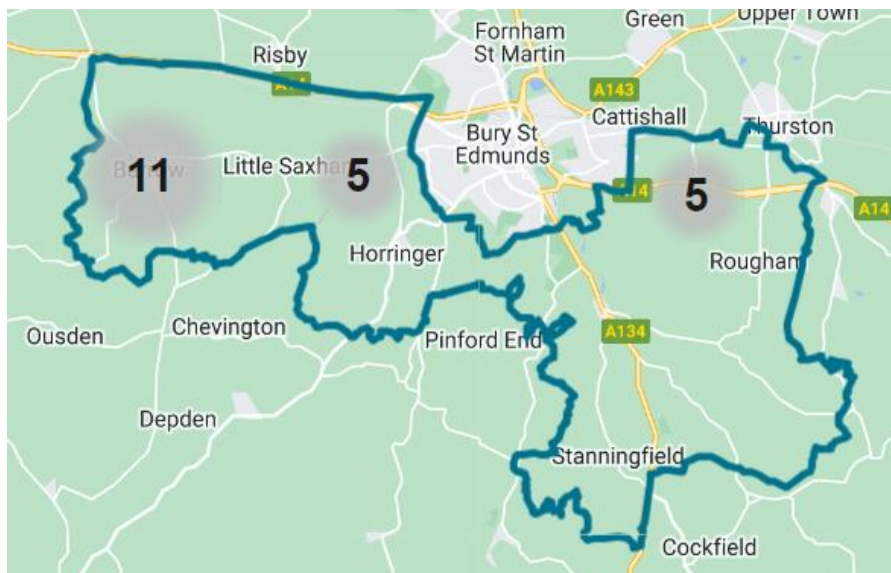
BSE RECORDED CRIME STATS JAN TO DEC - www.suffolk.police.uk		
MONTH	BSE TOTAL	LOCAL AREA B
JAN	403	9
FEB	424	11
MAR	498	22
APR	443	11
MAY	414	12
JUN	451	11
JUL	479	19
AUG	466	22
SEP	510	3
OCT	443	11
NOV	451	18
DEC	423	13
MONTHLY AVERAGE:	450	14
<p>SNWA Bury St Edmunds reporting Area B covers the 6 parishes: Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield, Bradfield St Clare, Bradfield St George, Little and Great Whelnetham, Nowton, and Rushbrooke with Rougham.</p>		

Some of the acknowledged caveats/limitations:

- Not all crimes are reported and therefore recorded.
- Some reported crime locations cannot be confirmed by victims.
- Some grey areas e.g. Violence & Sexual includes Domestic Abuse; snapshot - for the period Jul to Sep 2023, 23% of all recorded Violence & Sexual incidents in the Bury St Edmunds Safer Neighbourhood Area were Domestic Abuse in nature.
- Crime categories & stats include very minor to very serious offences.
- SCAM phone calls, e-mails, texts etc not included as Action Fraud is responsible. Between April 2020 and October 2023, thanks to the public forwarding SCAM emails to report@phishing.gov.uk, more than 151,800 malicious SCAMs have been removed over 277,900 URLs thereby helping to protect others.

Some observations/comments:

1. Area B (6 parishes) monthly average number of recorded crimes 14 in 2023 (same as 2022).
2. Area B saw recorded crimes in 11 of the 14 National crime categories, 2 of which accounting for **65%** of Area B local crimes:
 - Violence & Sexual (incl. Domestic Abuse) accounted for **49%** (cf. 63% in 2022) of our Area B recorded crimes. Snapshot - for the period Jul to Sep 2023, 23% of all recorded Violence & Sexual incidents in the Bury St Edmunds Safer Neighbourhood Area were Domestic Abuse.
 - Anti-Social Behaviour: 24 in 2023 cf. 15 in 2022 and accounted for **16%** of local crimes.
3. Other Area B crimes accounted for: criminal damage & arson – 10%; other theft – 9%; burglary – 8%; public order – 4%; drugs, robbery, shop theft, vehicle, and other crime all 1% or below.
4. For the year ending June 2023, the Office for National Statistics ranks Suffolk as having the 6th lowest crime rate (cf. 7th in 2022) out of 43 Police Forces (excl. British Transport) across England & Wales, with Suffolk being lowest (same in 2022) in the East of England 6 counties.
5. More detail and a month by month recorded crimes breakdown for Area B parishes/villages at: <https://suffolknwa.co.uk/bseb.html> . Also available on the website very soon will be the individual parish 2023 end of year reports.



The Bury St Edmunds Rural South Boundary (ignore figures).

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