

Southam & Feldon

Southam and Feldon are characterised predominantly by a middle aged population, with just under 40% of the population between the ages of 40 and 65. There is also a peak in the number of teenagers between the ages of 10 and 19. The local area has the fifth lowest population density in the county, at 1.05 persons per hectare. The proportion of the population from minority ethnic groups is considerably low in this locality. Only 4% of the population are of a non-white UK ethnicity, which is approximately a third of the Warwickshire average and a fifth of the national average, consequently. The percentage of households in which none of the residents speak English as their main language is considerably low, at 0.4%. This is lower than the 2.4% figure for Warwickshire and the national average of 4.3%.

The local area is mainly comprised of a mixture of detached and semi-detached households, which account for around three quarters of all the households in the local area. This proportion is considerably higher than the proportions of the households that are detached or semi-detached across Warwickshire and England. 7.5% of the households in the area are purpose built blocks of flats. Three quarters of the households are also either owned outright or with a mortgage, which is also higher than the equivalent proportions across Warwickshire or England. This locality also has the highest average number of bedrooms in the county, 3.23 bedrooms. The proportion of individuals living in income deprivation is also comparatively low, at 6.8%, compared to the 10.2% average across Warwickshire. The level of child poverty is also relatively low in this locality. The percentage of pupils achieving 5 or more A* - Cs in their GCSEs, 72.6%, is higher than the Warwickshire and national averages. The rate of long-term unemployment is less than half of the Warwickshire average.

The proportion of the local population who would describe their health as being bad or very bad, 3.8% is approximately one percentage point less than the Warwickshire average. The proportion of the local population that provide at least one hour of unpaid care is approximately equal to the Warwickshire average. The same can also be said about the proportion of the local population that provides at least 50 hours of unpaid care. The percentage of adults who binge drink in the local area, 24.4%, is higher than the Warwickshire average and national average.

Standardised ratios compare the actual rate with the expected rate, adjusting for age and sex. The standardised ratios have been calculated with the England value as the reference value, therefore it is inappropriate to directly compare the locality figures with the Warwickshire figures. The standardised admissions ratios (SAR) are low in this locality, for diseases such as coronary heart disease (CHD), stroke and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). However the SARs suggest that admissions for elective hip and knee surgery were higher than expected. The standardised incidence ratio (SIR) for all cancers suggests that the incidence was lower than expected. Although, the SIRs for prostate cancer and breast cancer are slightly high, at 109.7 and 100.2, respectively. The standardised mortality ratios (SMR) are in line with national figures for all-cause mortality, 100.2. The only disease specific SMRs which are higher than the national figures are for stroke and respiratory disease. The SMRs for premature mortality in the local area are relatively low for all-cause mortality.

The most important factors identified by local residents in making an area a good place to live, and the elements most in need of improvement are typical of the Warwickshire-wide response. The entire population of this locality reported to feeling safe at home during the day time, which makes Southam and Feldon one of only a handful of localities to be able to report this feeling. The biggest issue in the local area was identified as problems with residential parking.

Overall, 95.9% of the population of Southam and Feldon were satisfied with the local area as a place to live. The locality has one of the highest resident satisfaction levels in Warwickshire.