

PCC update: July 2026

Since the last update we have had confirmation that Suffolk has ranked second for the lowest levels of recorded crime in the country which is a tremendous achievement for one of the lowest funded forces in the country. The Constabulary has also launched a couple of new town centre teams, and a new fraud initiative with Trading Standards.

There is lots going on and more detail of these, and more, are in the update below.

We hope you find it useful, and please also consider following us on whichever social media you favour for.

LATEST STATS SHOW SUFFOLK IS THE SECOND SAFEST COUNTY

Latest figures published by the Office of National Statistics (ONS) show that Suffolk is now ranked second for the lowest levels of recorded crime in England and Wales, which is great news.

Recorded crime covering the 12 months to the end of December 2025 shows a decrease of 3.4% compared to the previous 12 months; nationally, there was a reduction in crime of 1.9% for England and Wales.

The force continues to adopt a proactive, intelligence-led approach to tackling weapon-related crime. This includes the use of [Clear, Hold, Build](#) to identify and disrupt individuals involved in carrying offensive weapons. Alongside enforcement activity, the Constabulary works closely with partners across education, health and community services to prevent weapon carrying through early intervention, diversion opportunities and targeted education programmes.

More detail: [Suffolk is now second for the lowest levels of crime](#)

PCC WELCOMES NEW TOWN CENTRE TEAMS

Local policing is at the very heart of what communities ask for, so the PCC is pleased to announce two new teams adding an extra layer of visibility in our town centres.

The new Town Centre teams will provide increased patrols in our town centres and help maintain Suffolk's enviable position as one of the safest counties in which to live, work, travel and invest.

Results so far have been impressive; in Lowestoft and Ipswich, officers seized several e-scooters for being ridden illegally, issuing over 30 tickets to riders. Elsewhere, breaches of Public Space Protection Orders have been enforced – seizing open containers of alcohol. In Haverhill and Sudbury, they have focused on anti-social behaviour and in Bury St Edmunds, following several checks of business premises with partner agencies including Trading Standards and HMRC, a large quantity of illegal tobacco was seized.

More detail: [Suffolk PCC welcomes new town centre teams](#)

ACCOUNTABILITY & PERFORMANCE

The next Accountability and Performance Panel is on Friday 10th July (9.30am) at Police Headquarters in Martlesham or to watch live online. This is the meeting where the PCC holds the Constabulary to account on behalf of the public and as always, there will be a public question session.

In this next meeting the PCC will receive updates on financial monitoring, improving confidence and satisfaction (including high level detail re themes of complaints), responding to calls for assistance, use of police powers and keeping our roads safe.

For more detail of the meeting including how to attend and how to ask a question go to: [Accountability and Performance Panel](#)

You can watch the last meeting here: <https://youtu.be/ialmDz2Tzgo>

Hold the date

Plans are being made for our regular series of public meetings. Further detail will follow but dates have been set so please make a note in your calendars.

Tuesday September 22 MID SUFFOLK: Stowmarket

Tuesday September 29 EAST AREA: Lowestoft

Tuesday October 13 WEST AREA: Newmarket

Wednesday October 21 CENTRAL AREA: Ipswich

All meetings will start at 6.30. A date is yet to be set for an online meeting in November.

POLICING VOLUNTEERS THANKED FOR THEIR TIRELESS SUPPORT

Volunteers play a hugely important part in our policing family and help make our county a much safer place for us all. Last month we celebrated Volunteers Week, an opportunity to celebrate their unstinting commitment and enthusiasm. Every volunteer offers something significant whether they are Special Constables, Police Support Volunteers, Cadets or one of our Independent Custody Visitors.

Volunteering roles are many and varied, if you are considering a volunteer role please take a look at the links below.

More detail: [National Volunteers Week](#)

Constabulary volunteers: [Volunteers | Suffolk Constabulary](#)

Independent Custody Visitors: [Independent Custody Visitors](#)

PCC JOINS RENEWED FIGHT AGAINST FRAUD

Suffolk's fight against fraud has taken a major step forward this week with the launch of a new partnership which sees Suffolk Constabulary and Suffolk Trading Standards joining forces with businesses and community interest groups to launch Suffolk Against Fraud.

As well as bringing together investigative resource, expertise and intelligence to tackle and combat fraud, Suffolk Against Fraud will see joined up campaigns and media messaging and improved quality of victim support.

Fraud poses a significant threat to the people, prosperity, and security of the residents of Suffolk. It is by far the most common crime and now accounts for over 40% of all offences in the County,

Prevention is key and the aim of Suffolk Against Fraud is to reduce the likelihood of Suffolk residents and businesses falling victim to fraud, but if you have been defrauded it is most important that you report the incident.

Anyone who believes they may have been targeted is encouraged to report it to Report Fraud at www.reportfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040. If money has already been transferred, they should contact their bank immediately.

More detail: [Suffolk unites to fight fraud](#)

PCC INCREASES USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

The PCC has increased his use of social media to ensure he is available to all communities. For regular updates from the PCC and the team please follow by clicking the links below:

[The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk | Facebook](#)

[Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk | LinkedIn](#)

[Office of the PCC \(@timspcc\) • Instagram](#)

[Tim Passmore \(@TimSPCC\) / X](#)

Recent formal decisions made by the PCC

The PCC has various responsibilities under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 that cannot be delegated. These include creating a Police and Crime Plan, calculating the budget and setting the local police tax (precept). He must also publish a record of decisions that are important to the public.

You can view recent decisions made by the PCC here: [Decisions](#)

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