



# Surrey Covid-19 Community Impact Assessment

Elmbridge Impacts



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Our data on Elmbridge is sourced from the Local Recovery Index (LRI), our Temperature Check survey of 237 households in Elmbridge, and our Geographical Impact Assessment.

Looking at the period from April to June 2020, the Local Recovery Index (LRI) shows that Elmbridge has been the least impacted district and borough in Surrey. Nevertheless, when looking at more local level, some areas such as Thames Ditton and Walton North & Molesey Heath have been disproportionately impacted. Similarly, on themes such as smoking levels and use of health services, Elmbridge residents have seen worse outcomes than the Surrey average.

## Health

Elmbridge ranks second for health out of the 11 District and Boroughs, notably with the lowest Covid-19 case rate at 2.21 cases per 1,000 compared to 3.17 for the Surrey average. *Note: Elmbridge has recently seen a surge in cases and as of October 2020 has been ranked as a tier 2 area (high risk). This will be reflected in the next versions of the LRI which is updated quarterly.*

However, the Geographical Impact Assessment found this is not universal across Elmbridge. The Thames Ditton MSOA ranks in the top 5 of MSOAs for health impacts in Surrey. This is driven by a high case rate (107 Covid-19 cases per 10,000 people, compared to an average of 65 per 10,000 people in Surrey), high death rate (18 Covid-19 deaths per 10,000 people, compared to an average of 9 per 10,000 people in Surrey) and a high number of care home outbreaks.

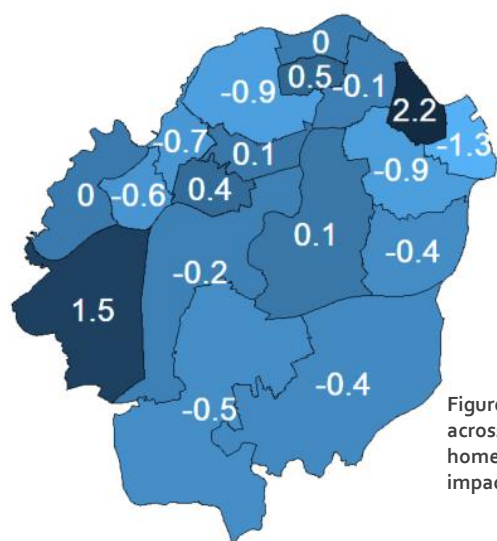


Figure 1 Shows the distribution of Covid Health Impact across MSOAs in Elmbridge (cases, deaths and care home outbreaks). A higher score indicates greater impact

The Temperature Check survey also identified that 63% of smokers in Elmbridge reported smoking more tobacco than normal, compared to 38% Surrey wide. Elmbridge residents were also less likely to have used health services during this period than the Surrey average.

## Economy

For the economic dimension of the LRI Elmbridge ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in the period from April to June 2020. However, Elmbridge ranks 8<sup>th</sup> when looking at the % change in the volume of house sales. This finding is supported by the results from the Temperature Check survey which found that Elmbridge residents were 14% less

likely to be concerned about employment over the next 6 months compared to the average Surrey resident and 11% more likely to report that coronavirus has had no impact on their finances.

Nevertheless, the Geographical Impact Assessment shows that Walton North & Molesey Heath has been disproportionately affected economically. This is driven by a high number of estimated workers furloughed (28% compared to an average of 23% in Surrey) and a high percentage point change in claimant count (3.1% compared to 1.8% average in Surrey).

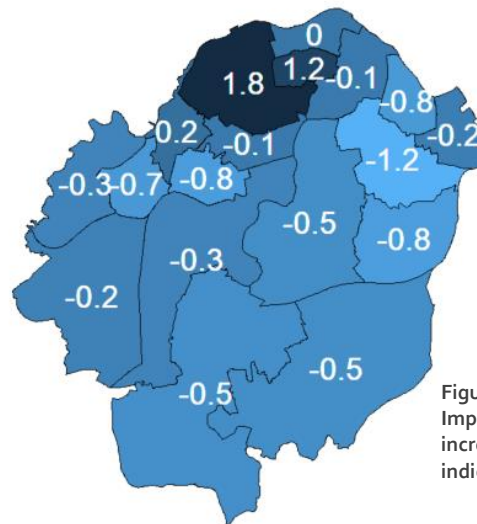


Figure 2: Shows the distribution of Covid Economic Impact across MSOAs in Elbridge (unemployment increases, and people furloughed). A higher score indicates greater impact

### Society

Elbridge also ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> best for the society dimension in the period from April to June 2020, although it is notably ranked lowest for the indicator on percentage change in youth related anti-social behaviour.

### Services and Communication

31% of Elbridge respondents to the Temperature Check survey have used email to get information from Surrey County Council during the coronavirus crisis, 23% higher than the Surrey average. This corresponds to higher rates of residents reporting receiving the right amount of information from the council compared to other District and Boroughs.