



Surrey Covid-19 Community Impact Assessment

Guildford Impacts



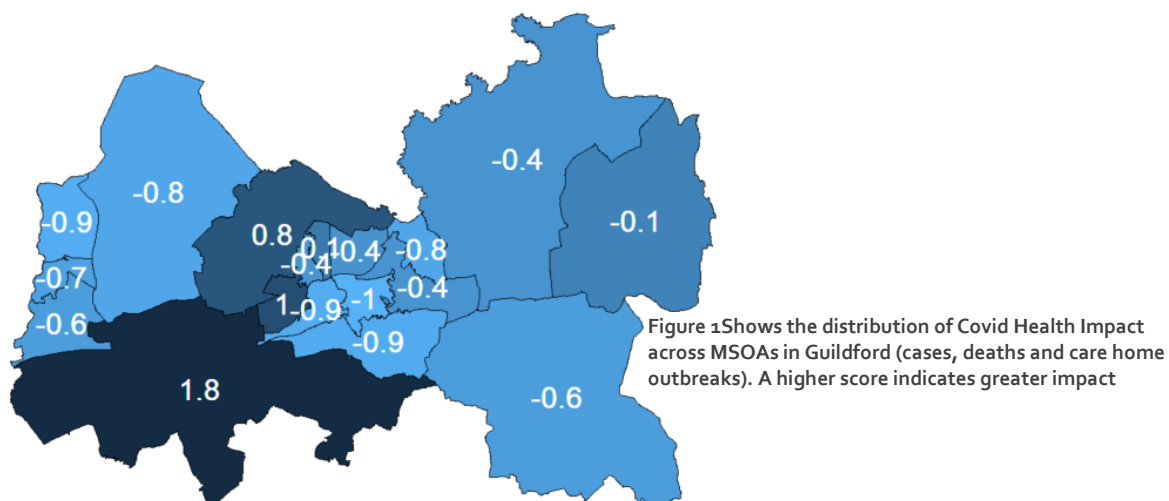
Guildford

Our data on Guildford is sourced from the Local Recovery Index (LRI), our Temperature Check survey of 276 households in Guildford, our Geographical Impact Assessment and ethnographic research.

Looking at the period from April to June 2020, the Local Recovery Index (LRI) shows that Guildford has been the 2nd least impacted district and borough in Surrey. Nevertheless, when looking at more local level, some areas such as Shalford & Wanborough have been disproportionately impacted. Similarly, on themes such as eating habits and economic impacts Guildford residents have seen worse outcomes than the Surrey average.

Health

Guildford ranks first for health out of the 11 District and Boroughs, notably with the lowest Covid-19 death rate at 0.6 deaths per 1,000 compared to 0.9 deaths per 1,000 across Surrey.



However, the Geographical Impact Assessment found this was not universal across Guildford. The Shalford & Wanborough MSOA ranks in the top 5 of MSOAs for health impacts in Surrey. This is driven by a high case rate (73 Covid-19 cases per 10,000 people, compared to an average of 65 per 10,000 people in Surrey), high death rate (17 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.

Guildford residents who responded to the Temperature Check survey were also more likely to report coronavirus having a negative impact on their diet (22% compared to 15% across Surrey).

Economy

For the economic dimension of the LRI Guildford ranks 9th in the period from April to June 2020. Notably Guildford ranks lowest for movement trends in retail and recreation, falling 76% from baseline, as well as the estimated average value of the expanded retail discount scheme (£40,654.27 compared to an average of £26,936.02 in Surrey). This is supported by findings from the ethnographic research which found residents were concerned of the demise of high-streets but had a lack of interest in going back out to the 'busy areas'.

Guildford fairs better on furlough rates (27% compared to 28% across Surrey), as well as claimant rate rises (40.03% compared to 46.44% across Surrey).

Society

Guildford ranks 2nd best for the society dimension in the period from April to June 2020, and the ethnographic research which delved deeper into residents' experiences found that residents became more "neighbourly" with those close in proximity to them. Nevertheless, Guildford scores poorly for the indicator on change in racially motivated crime, which was up from 0.27 incidences per 1,000 people to 0.42 incidences per 1,000 people during this period.

Services and Communication

18% of Guildford respondents to the Temperature Check survey said they needed help to get medicine but did not receive it, along with 87% of Guildford respondents who needed Mental health or counselling support saying they did not receive it. This was the worst rate in Surrey.

