

Parish Report – September 2022

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For information on local support during the Cost-of-Living Crisis, visit:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/suffolk-advice-and-support-service/>

For information on supporting Ukrainian refugees in Suffolk, email:

refugeesupport@suffolk.gov.uk or ukrainesupport@communityactionsuffolk.org.uk

Update on Ukrainian Refugees in Suffolk

Suffolk County Council has provided an update with how many Ukrainian refugees are currently in Suffolk and awaiting to be granted status to our county. Below is a table showing how many arrivals also currently have sponsors (as of 23rd August 2022):

Lower Tier Local Authority	Number of Visa applications	Number of Visas issued	Number of arrivals in the UK by sponsor location
Babergh	204	192	156
East Suffolk	418	400	327
Ipswich	142	115	90
Mid Suffolk	265	254	204
West Suffolk	375	348	282

The second table below shows how Suffolk compares to our neighbouring counties:

Upper Tier Local Authority	Number of Visas applications	Number of Visas issued	Number of arrivals in the UK by sponsor location
Suffolk	1,404	1,309	1,059
Cambridgeshire	2,017	1,885	1,500
Essex	2,171	2,000	1,567
Norfolk	1,511	1,371	1,080

Solar Together Suffolk – Registration Now Open!

Solar Together is a project endorsed by SCC for residents and small/medium businesses to group-buy solar panels and battery storage. Registration has just opened, and applicants can apply up until the 26th September.

For more information, please visit: <https://solartogether.co.uk/suffolk/home>

EV Charging – Expression of Interests!

SCC have been successful in a bid for funding towards new EV charging infrastructure. The £2.75m funding will focus on community-owned car parks, where charging can be accessed 24/7.

If you wish to express interest and make the Council aware of your area, please contact Peter Frost, Environment Strategy Officer - peter.frost2@suffolk.gov.uk

Thank You to our Fire Service

Community leaders across the board, recognise the stellar work from Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service during the heatwave and increased demand.

Crews have been called to more than 1,300 incidents since the start of July, making it one of the busiest years on record for the service.

With such heavy demand, our Group wish to extend our thanks to all involved.

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