



# Downpours Follow Suffolk Warmest Summer on Record

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Suffolk has experienced its hottest summer since records began, according to new figures just released by the Met Office.

Across June, July and August, the county recorded an average temperature of 18.4°C. This narrowly beats the previous record of 18.3°C set in 2022.

The long, dry summer of 1976, often remembered for its heatwaves, now ranks as the fifth warmest overall for Suffolk.

The latest data reflects a continuing pattern of hotter summers across the UK in recent years.

Despite some heavy rain and downpours in September in recent weeks, the Environment Agency says that Suffolk remains in a state of prolonged dry weather. Officials continue to monitor river levels, groundwater supplies, and the impact on agriculture and the wider environment.

The figures add to concerns about the effects of changing climate on local communities, particularly in rural areas where water use and crops are closely tied to weather patterns.

The Met Office will continue to assess seasonal data for regional variations - but Suffolk's figures confirm that summer 2025 has set a new benchmark for heat in the county.



Blue summer skies captured here at this year's Saxmundham Saxfest

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### Lesiton Banking Hub Not Moving - for now

A community banking service in Leiston has confirmed it will continue operating from its current location, easing concerns about a possible move.



### Wintry Weather Means Bin Collections Postponed

Bin collections across East Suffolk have been temporarily suspended due to cold weather affecting road conditions.



### Wintry Weather for East Suffolk

There's a warning of more snow and ice for east Suffolk, after the first significant snowfall of 2026 caused travel disruption.



### Big New Plans for Lowestoft Train Station

New images have been revealed showing how Lowestoft railway station could be transformed with the reinstatement of its historic concourse roof.



### Update on Body Found in River at Beccles

Police have confirmed that the death of a woman found in the River Waveney in Beccles is not being treated as suspicious, and that she has now been identified.



### Lowestoft's Seasonal Suffolk Swim

A festive sea swim in Lowestoft went ahead despite rough conditions forcing several similar events across the region to be cancelled.



### New Lord-Lieutenant for Suffolk

A new Lord-Lieutenant has been appointed for Suffolk, with the change set to take place next year.



### Leiston Drink Driver Charged in Police Christmas Campaign

Suffolk Police have highlighted the impact of their Christmas drink and drug driving campaign after a motorist was caught driving over the legal alcohol limit in Leiston.

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### Christmas Tree Festival

6 Jan 2026 at St Mary's Church

### Positive Futures - Lowestoft Free Sports Activities

12 Jan 2026 at Various

### Winter Solstice Gathering - Mindful Crafting

14 Jan 2026 at The Magical Emporium

### An evening of 40's American Swing and Jug

16 Jan 2026