

Red Lodge: Girl admits attempted rape did not happen

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Suffolk police

A TEENAGER who initially claimed she was attacked on a bridleway has admitted the incident had not happened.

Police received the report of attempted rape from the 15-year-old girl on June 26.

The girl claimed she had been attacked by a man on a bridleway in Red Lodge, near Mildenhall, a week before that.

However, officers carried out an investigation and established that the incident could not have occurred.

The girl has been spoken to further and has confirmed the offence did not happen. As a result, police say they are satisfied no such crime was committed.

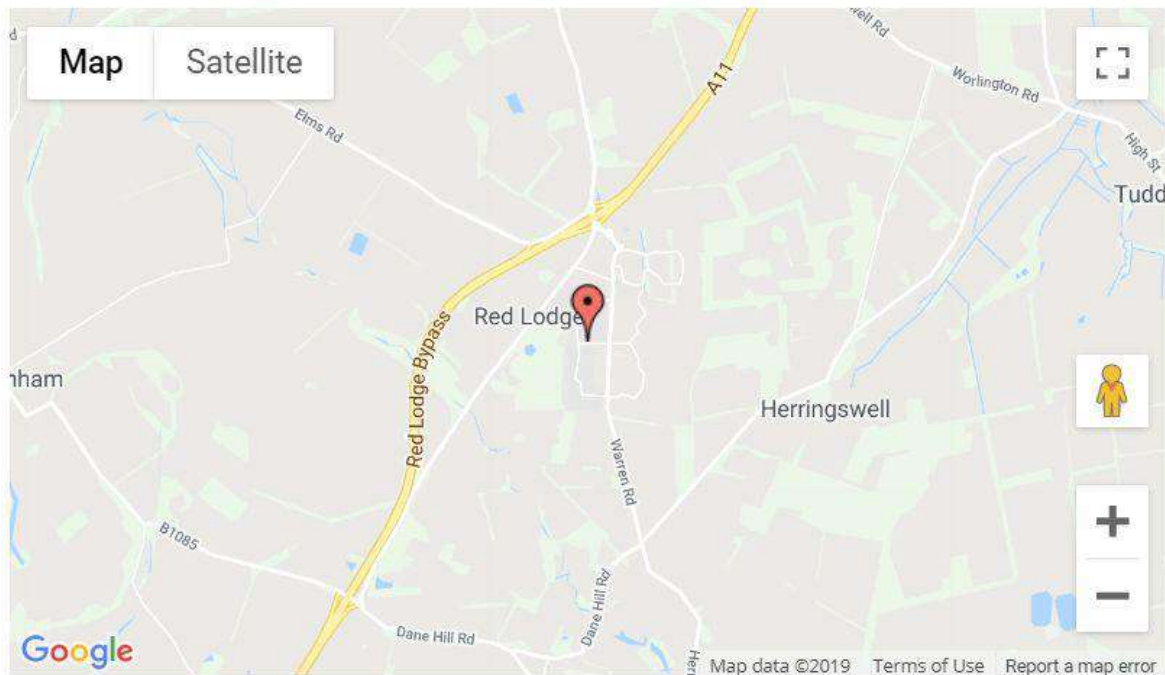
The girl is being supported by her family and police are working with partners to conclude their investigation.

Det Chief Inspector Louisa Pepper said: "Anyone reporting a rape or sexual assault in Suffolk will receive support from specially trained officers and have access to specialist facilities at Suffolk's sexual assault referral centre.

“Allegations of this nature are investigated by Suffolk’s Gemini Team - detectives dedicated to investigating serious sexual offences.

“Suffolk Constabulary is committed to providing a high-quality service to victims of this type of crime where it can be even more difficult to come forward and report what has happened.

“The Gemini Team will provide a dedicated point of contact from when the report is made, up to and after any court proceedings have taken place.”



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