

Woolwich HIVE

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Opening hours: Mon – Fri 09.00 – 15.00hrs

LOCAL AREA

Coulsdon, located on the southernmost boundary of the London Borough of Croydon, is surrounded by the Metropolitan Green Belt of Farthing Down, Coulsdon Common and Kenley Common.

Coulsdon is also a fifteen minute drive from Croydon town centre which offers two large shopping centres with all the usual high street stores as well as various eateries.

For a map of Coulsdon visit: www.google.co.uk/maps

The postcode for Coulsdon is **CR5 2HD**

More information on Coulsdon and the surrounding area can be found at:

www.croydon.gov.co.uk

UNIT OVERVIEW

C (Kent & Sharpshooter Yeomanry) Squadron, Royal Yeomanry, is the only TA Royal Armoured Corps Unit stationed outside central London. The squadron's primary role is to provide specialist reconnaissance skills however they cross train in a number of disciplines from basic infantry to nuclear, biological and chemical hazard handling to allow the soldiers a varied training schedule.

www2.army.mod.uk/royalyeomanry

10 Company Mortar Platoon, The Parachute Regiment, support and assist Regular Battalions in their operational and peacetime roles through the provision of both fully formed company groups and individual soldiers. The Battalion routinely trains at weekends and on exercises which last up to 2 weeks at a time.

www.4para.co.uk

For information on any other units please contact the HIVE directly.

FACILITIES

Locally available amenities include shops, restaurants, sports clubs, tenpin bowling, swimming, leisure centres and golf clubs. The locale also facilitates outdoor pursuits such as walking and horse riding on the downs as well as providing a good vantage point to view the London to Brighton rallies. For more information please contact the HIVE.

Old Coulsdon Post Office

3 The Parade, Coulsdon Road, CR5 1EH.

Shell Petrol Station

215 Coulsdon Road, CR5 1EN

Natwest

96 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, CR5 2YS
Tel: 0845 303 7038

Coulsdon Food & Wine

174 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, CR5 2NE

ACCOMMODATION

Service Families Accommodation (SFA)

There are 6 SFA in Coulsdon - Marpitt Lane: Postcode: CR5 2HD
All SFA are located on the same road as the TA Centre.

To contact DE Housing Information Centre: 0800 1696322 option1 then option 1 for Aldershot and London. Website: <http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/MicroSite/DE/>

Local accommodation

Contact Houses

The closest contact houses to Coulsdon are situated in Woolwich which is approximately a 40 minute drive away. Two fully equipped contact houses located in Green Hill are available to hire at a low cost. Availability can be checked and bookings made by phoning: 0208 781 3622.

Coulsdon Manor Hotel

1 Court Hill, Chipstead, CR5 2LL
Tel: 0208 668 0414

Travelodge

431 Godstone Road, Whyteleafe, CR3 0BF
Tel: 0871 984 6317

Tulsi Croydon Aparthotel

256 High Street, Croydon, CR0 1NF
Tel: 0845 050 5104

Premier Inn

104 Coombe Road, Croydon East, CR0 5RB
Tel: 0845 080 5104

TRAVEL

By car: Unit Postcode for Sat Nav is **CR5 2HD**

- **From the North**
- From the M1.
- At junction 6a exit onto M25 towards M40/M4.
- At junction 7 take the M23 (N) exit to Croydon.
- Merge onto M23.
- Exit onto London Road N/A23.
- At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto Marlpit Lane/A23/B276
- Continue to follow Marlpit Lane/B276
- Destination will be on the right

By train: Coulsdon South which is approximately 0.5miles from the SFA area is the nearest train station. For train timetables or more information please visit www.southernrailway.com.

Alternatively for information on travel to the centre of London please visit www.tfl.gov.uk

National Rail Enquiries – for times and information call 08457 484950 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

Taxi: Call one of these taxi firms to book a journey: Kendall Cars: 0203 417 0883
Coulsdon & District Cars: 0208 668 6686

HEALTHCARE

Service Personnel:

Please contact your unit for information on access to the appropriate medical and dental facilities for Service Personnel.

Dependents:

- Medical – Old Coulsdon Medical Centre, 2a Court Avenue, Coulsdon, CR5 1HF.
Tel: 0844 815 1924.
- Dental - There are a limited amount of NHS dentists available. NHS Direct can advise on dentists that have NHS availability (please see below for contact details).

The nearest hospital is Purley War Memorial Hospital, 856 Brighton Road, Purley, CR8 2YL.
Tel: 020 8401 3000, www.maydayhospital.nhs.uk

NHS Direct offers a 24-hour nurse advice and health information service, and provides details of local healthcare services, such as doctors, dentists or late night opening pharmacies. **NHS Direct - Tel: 0845 46 47** www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk

SCHOOLS AND CHILDCARE

Coulsdon Nursery School

Linden Avenue, Coulsdon, CR5 3BT. Tel: 01737 553 860

Byron Primary School

St David's, Coulsdon, CR5 2XE. Tel: 0208 668 4877

Woodcote Junior School

Dunsfold Rise, Coulsdon, CR5 2ED. Tel: 0208 660 9972

Coulsdon C of E Primary School

Bradmore Green, Coulsdon, CR5 1ED. Tel: 01737 554 789

Woodcote High School

Meadow Rise, Coulsdon, CR5 2EH. Tel: 0208 668 6464

- Applications for school places are made through the Local Education Authority (LEA). Coulsdon is served by Croydon LEA, London Borough of Croydon, Croydon, Surrey, CR9 3JS. Tel: 0208 686 4433. www.croydon.gov.uk
- Ofsted reports can be accessed at www.ofsted.gov.uk

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

These are the main Unit contact details. For any other Unit contact numbers please call the HIVE on 0208 781 3622		
	Mil	Civ
TA Centre		01737 557 228
Army Welfare Service	94691 3628	0208 781 3628
SSAFA	94691 4390	0208 781 4390
HIVE	94691 3622	0208 781 3622
Padre		0779 909 1793

This is a brief overview of the area and facilities available at Coulsdon. The HIVE holds further information and will research information on your behalf.