

#### **Woolwich HIVE**

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Opening hours: Mon – Fri 09.00 – 15.00hrs

#### **LOCAL AREA**

Woolwich is a large town within the London Borough of Greenwich; it is only five minutes away from the A2 which offers easy access to the M25. Woolwich town centre has all the necessary shops that cater to everyday needs as well as the benefit of excellent transport links to London and beyond. In Woolwich and the local area there are swimming pools, leisure centres, sports clubs, cinemas and many other amenities suitable for both adults and children which are within a reasonable distance.

Woolwich is also located close to the O2 arena which plays host to numerous performers as well as offering an excellent selection of restaurants and bars.

Although Woolwich is part of London it borders rural Kent, known as ‘the Garden of England’, which offers plenty of places to walk and enjoy the fresh air.

For a map of Woolwich visit: <http://www.google.co.uk/maps>

The postcode for Woolwich Station is SE18 4BB

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

[www.greenwich.gov.uk](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk)

#### **UNIT OVERVIEW**

Since being built in 1776, Woolwich Barracks have been the home of the Royal Artillery. This association ended in 2007 with the departure of 16 Regiment RA. Since then Woolwich has undergone significant regeneration.

**2PWRR** was formed in 1992 from the amalgamation of The Queens Regiment and The Royal Hampshire Regiment. Following two years in Cyprus 2PWRR moved to Woolwich Station to take up a public duties role as of August 2010 with the battalion’s corps of drums performing at Windsor Castle and Buckingham Palace.

<http://www.army.mod.uk/infantry/regiments/6307.aspx>

**The Royal Artillery Band** One of eight London-based state bands, the Royal Artillery Band supports all State ceremonial duties including the historic Changing of the Guard and all Royal and State Visit Gun Salutes with the King’s Troop Royal Horse Artillery.

<http://www.army.mod.uk/music/corps-band/427.aspx>

**7 Coy Coldstream Guards** An incremental public duties company with a wide range of ceremonial commitments.

<http://www.army.mod.uk/infantry/regiments/3484.aspx>

## UNIT FACILITIES

Located within Woolwich Barracks is "The Hub!" restaurant which runs on a Pay as You Dine (PAYD) basis for Junior Ranks. Also available within the Hub is a bar, large screen TV, internet access, a pool table, cash machine and Londis shop. The nearest post box is located just outside the entrance to the Hub. There is also a gym on barracks.

The Woolwich HIVE Information Centre is in Victoria House on Shooters Hill Road. Other facilities within Victoria House include Unit and Station Welfare offices, the Army Welfare Service, SSAFA and the Victoria House Pre-School. Youth club is also run from Victoria House which offers various sessions for children 8 to 11. Victoria House also runs a Parent and Toddler group which occurs on Monday mornings and a Wives Coffee Afternoon fortnightly on a Wednesday.

### **HUB! Restaurant** provides PAYD

Mon-Fri:

Breakfast: 0700-0745hrs

Lunch: 1230-1315hrs

Dinner: 1700-1745hrs

Sat/Sun:

Breakfast: 0745-0845hrs

Lunch: 1230-1315hrs

Dinner: 1645-1730hrs

### **Londis Shop on camp**

Mon-Fri: 0700-1800hrs

### **Army Education Centre**

30 AEC, Woolwich Station, SE18 4BB

Tel: 0208 781 3735 / 3289

**Victoria House** – Location of community centre for all welfare including Station and Unit welfare offices and The Army Welfare Service (AWS), SSAFA and the HIVE.

## ACCOMMODATION

### **Service Families Accommodation (SFA)**

- Greenhill: Postcode: SE18 4BN  
48 SFA – All-ranks. Approximately 0.4 miles from Woolwich Station
- Woolwich Common: Postcode: SE18 4DE  
70 SFA – All-ranks. Approximately 1.4 miles from Woolwich Station
- Prince Imperial: Postcode: SE18 4JU  
70 SFA – Officers and Other ranks. Approximately 1.4 miles from Woolwich Station.
- Gunner Lane: Postcode: SE18 6XN  
41 SFA – All-ranks. Approximately 1.0 mile from Woolwich Station
- Mill Lane: Postcode: SE18 6XJ  
16 SFA. All-ranks. Approximately 1.1 miles from Woolwich Station
- Academy Place: Postcode: SE18 4LQ  
15 SFA – Officers. Approximately 1.6 miles from Woolwich Station.

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

## Single Living Accommodation (SLA)

All SLA rooms are fully furnished doubles with built-in wardrobes, en-suite bathroom, walk in store room and facilities for TV and internet. The rooms are organised into 'flats' of 6 to 8 personnel and contain a communal kitchen which has full cooking facilities. There is also a common room and a bath. The accommodation rooms are secure, each room locks independently within a flat which is also locked, and entrance can only be gained by the personnel living there.

Service personnel should contact the numbers below for more information:

Officers	Civ: 0208 781 3131	Mil: 94691 3131
Senior Ranks	Civ: 0208 781 3192	Mil: 94691 3192
Junior Ranks	Civ: 0208 781 3292	Mil: 94691 3292

## Local accommodation

**Contact Houses** – Woolwich benefits from 2 contact houses located on the Greenhill estate. Availability can be checked and bookings made by phoning 0208 781 3331.

### Ebenezer Lodge

1 St Marys Street, Woolwich, SE18 5AN

Tel: 020 8855 3051

[www.ebenezerlodge.co.uk](http://www.ebenezerlodge.co.uk)

### Express by Holiday Inn

85 Busby Way, Charlton, SE10 0GD

Tel: 0870 400 8166

## TRAVEL

**By car:** Unit Postcode for Sat Nav is SE18 4BB

### From the North:

- From the Blackwall Tunnel. Once through the Blackwall tunnel follow A2.
- On the A2 take exit toward Central London/Peckham/Greenwich.
- At roundabout take the 1st exit onto Shooters Hill Rd/A207 heading to Welling/Woolwich.
- At traffic lights turn left at Academy Rd/A205.
- Turn left at Circular Way. Continue onto Ha-Ha Road.
- Turn right at Repository Road. Follow road round. Turn right into Woolwich Royal Artillery Barracks

### From the South:

- Travelling on the M25. Head Northeast.
- At junction 2, exit toward A2 (W)/London (SE & C)/Bexleyheath.
- Merge onto A2.
- Exit onto A2 toward C. London/Peckham
- At roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto Shooters Hill Road/A207 heading to Welling/Woolwich.
- Turn left at Charlton Park Lane.
- Turn left onto Repository Road. Follow road round. Turn right into Woolwich Royal Artillery Barracks.

**By train:** The nearest direct railway station to Woolwich is Woolwich Dockyard For train times or more information visit [www.southeasternrailway.co.uk](http://www.southeasternrailway.co.uk) . The closest DLR station is Woolwich Arsenal for further detail visit [www.tfl.gov.uk](http://www.tfl.gov.uk)  
National Rail Enquiries – for times and information call 08457 484950 or visit [www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)

**Taxi:** Call one of these taxi firms to book a journey: Amber Cars: 0208 316 1000  
Super Cars:0208 3171414, Data Cars:0208 850 0000

## HEALTHCARE

### Service Personnel:

Station Medical Centre - Civ: 0208 781 4350. Mil: (9) 4691 4350

Station Dental Centre - Civ: 0208 781 3234. Mil: (9) 4691 3234

### Dependents:

Medical – Ferryview Medical Centre, 25 John Wilson Street, SE18 6PZ.  
Appt Tel: 0208 319 3402, Enq Tel: 0208 319 5401

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 Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Stadium Road, Woolwich, SE18 4QH  
Tel: 020 8836 5819, A&E Tel: 020 8836 4360. Website: [www.qehospital.com](http://www.qehospital.com)

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](http://www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk)

## SCHOOLS AND CHILDCARE

- **Victoria House Pre-School** (2 ½ -5 years)  
405 Shooters Hill Road, SE18 4LH. Tel: 0208 781 4387
- **Eglington Primary School**  
Paget Rise, SE18 3PY. Tel: 0208 854 6917
- **Notre Dame Catholic Primary School**  
169 Eglington Road, SE18 3SJ. Tel: 0208 854 0585
- **Blackheath Bluecoat CE Secondary School**  
Old Dover Road, SE3 8SY. Tel: 020 8269 4300
- **Kidbrooke Secondary School**  
Shooters Hill Road, SE3 8EP. Tel: 0208 516 7977.

For more detailed information on nurseries and schools please contact the HIVE directly.

Applications for school places are made through the Local Education Authority (LEA). The Woolwich is served by **Greenwich LEA**, Education Services, 9th Floor Riverside House, Beresford Street, Woolwich, SE18 6DF. Tel: 020 8854 8888, Fax: 020 8855 2427  
[www.greenwich.gov.uk](http://www.greenwich.gov.uk)

Ofsted reports can be accessed at [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://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
Army Welfare Service	94691 3628	0208 781 3628
Guard Room	94691 3181	0208 781 3181
HIVE	94691 3622	0208 781 3622
Padre		0779 909 1793
2PWRR Welfare Office	94691 3626	0208 781 3626
Woolwich Station Welfare Office	94691 3331	0208 781 3331

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