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From the Leader

Welcome to this issue of Crawley Live – Keeping Crawley Safe. Last spring you told us that making Crawley safer is your top priority for the council – we heard and are acting.

This issue is dedicated to telling you about just some of the work the council and our partners in Sussex Police and the fire and rescue service are undertaking every day to make the borough safer. From checking homes for damp and mould to enforcement action against illegal fly-tipping, we are committed to delivering a borough that everyone can feel secure, and one that we can all be proud of.

And it has been a few months of great success at the council. Our Planning team was named South East planning team of the year, a great recognition of the scale of the challenges that they have had to overcome. Crawter's Brook was given a Green Flag, joining Ifield Mill Pond, Memorial Gardens, Goffs, Tilgate and Worth parks in being given this prestigious award.

In addition, the Regulator for Social Housing recognised the work that Crawley Homes has undertaken to address anti-social behaviour and dealing with complaints and gave us the second highest rating. We are deeply committed to delivering

better outcomes for all of our council tenants and I am really pleased that this has been recognised.

Thank you to all those who contribute every day to make Crawley an even better place to live. **99**



Councillor Michael Jones Leader of Crawley Borough Council

Worried about paying for care?

Long-term care in your own home or in a residential care home is expensive, but with expert advice from independent financial specialists, Carewise can help you to make informed decisions on choosing and paying for the right care.

The Carewise care fees specialists are all members of the Society of Later Life Advisers, and can give you peace of mind that you've explored all your options. Contact Carewise to find out how you could benefit.



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- carewise@westsussex.gov.uk
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Help keep the electoral register up-to-date

Crawley Borough Council has launched its annual canvass to ensure the borough's electoral register is accurate and complete. This is your chance to ensure all your details are correct so that you can continue to vote in forthcoming elections.

Over the coming weeks, residents will be contacted via email, text, post, or a personal visit. Some

communications will require a response, especially where changes are needed or no confirmation has been received. By law, the council must follow up with reminders, including door-to-door visits if necessary.

The canvass is not just about checking names. It's also a chance to update details, register new voters, and ensure everyone aged 16 or over is included. Residents can opt out

of the open register, request postal votes, or report changes such as new household members.

Responding promptly helps reduce costs and avoids unnecessary visits. Don't miss out on your chance to take part in elections, please do inform us of any changes.

For more information or to update your details, visit **crawley.gov.uk/democracy**







How to avoid misinformation and disinformation



Misinformation: false or inaccurate information that is spread without the intent to deceive.

Disinformation: false information that is deliberately created and spread to mislead or manipulate.

Misinformation and disinformation are common on social media, and they can be harmful in many ways. Misinformation can harm individuals and society while disinformation can be even more harmful because it is spread intentionally and can be used to manipulate people's opinions and behaviour.

Spotting misinformation and disinformation on social media can be difficult but being aware of the manipulation tactics can help. Look out for:

Fake experts: check people's credentials – do they really have expertise related to the topic they are writing about? Have they made questionable claims before?

Divisive content: is someone posting content just to make people angry and deepen social or political divisions?

Whataboutism: when someone responds to a point by raising a parallel one, asking "well, what about this?"

Conspiracies: misinformation and disinformation is often dressed up as a conspiracy. Straightforward explanations are much more likely

Trolls: people who use misinformation and disinformation to provoke a reaction.



News in Brief

Green Flag status for Crawter's Brook

Once a neglected area, Crawter's Brook has been revitalised into a retreat for local workers and a thriving habitat for wildlife.

Manor Royal BID secured funding to create the 'People's Park' comprising attractive seated areas, public art and landscaped areas, shared cycle and footpaths, information boards and boardwalks.

The park now offers a tranquil space for relaxation and connection with nature. Its role as a biodiversity corridor has also made it an important environmental asset for the town.



New sensory garden at Goffs Park

The Deputy Mayor officially opened a new sensory garden at Goffs Park, celebrating the life and legacy of Janet Roskilly, a passionate advocate for local heritage and inclusivity. Janet played a pivotal role in the establishment of Crawley Museum and worked closely with community organisations.

The garden's planting scheme was thoughtfully designed to engage all five senses, creating a welcoming and inclusive space for visitors of all ages and abilities.



Enjoy our refurbished play areas

We have refurbished and reopened Bowness Close and Puffin Road play areas in Ifield West, fully funded from Section 106 contributions.

The work consisted of the installation of new gates and play equipment including a junior multi-play tower featuring a slide and fireman's pole, as well as a springer bowl. The play equipment was produced using two sustainable products, with the tower featuring Texmade™ posts made from recycled textile and plastic waste (instead of steel posts), and ocean-recycled waste (instead of plastic).

The play area in Puffin Road has benefitted from safer surfacing, path works, boundary fencing and new gates, as well as the installation of new play equipment including a junior multi-play tower with slide and climbing pole, and a daisy four-way springer.



Crawley Swimming Club awarded £1,000

Crawley Swimming Club was recently awarded £1,000 towards coaching fees for its Flamingoes disability swim group. Crawley Swimming Club's disability swim group 'Flamingoes' operates at K2 Crawley on a Tuesday evening from 7.45pm to 8.45pm.



Two new ravens at Tilgate Zoo

A pair of young ravens, Corbie and Foghorn, have been welcomed at Tilgate Zoo marking an exciting new chapter in the zoo's history following the sad loss of the legendary Terry.

Male raven Corbie came from a wildlife rescue centre after being hand-reared from a very young age. Foghorn is female and came from a private collection. She's already made a name for herself as the more confident and vocal of the two, taking part in walkarounds to meet the public.

Mayor of Crawley, Councillor Sharmila Sivarajah

C As Mayor of Crawley, I am continually inspired by the communities that make up our borough.

In May, I had the honour of welcoming a delegation of Jordanian parliamentarians to the Town Hall, where we exchanged ideas and thoughts around local government. Their gift – a beautiful souvenir from Petra – now resides in my parlour as a symbol of our links, as Crawley is the home of the only councillor of Jordanian descent.

Closer to home, I was delighted to host a reception for the Tamil Learning Centre, Crawley, recently awarded the prestigious King's Award for Voluntary Service. Their dedication to education and inclusion is a shining example of what makes Crawley exceptional. And exceptional service shone through when the Crawley Sea Cadets joined me in the Town Hall.

As we mentioned in the last issue, I was delighted that my reception at this year's Crawley Community

Awards raised £2,100 which has now been donated to The Russell Martin Foundation. My chosen charity for this mayoral year is Crawley Open House.

I do hope that as we return to work and school, that everyone had the chance to enjoy their summer holidays. We have a lot to look forward to, including our annual event, Unity: Crawley Together, on 13 September and I look forward to seeing everyone there.



Making Crawley safer

Councillor Yasmin Khan: My role as Cabinet member for Public Protection

As Cabinet member for Public Protection, my role is to ensure Crawley continues to be a safe, welcoming, and well-regulated town for everyone who lives, works, and visits here. I know that feeling safe is such an important part of loving where you live, and I am so pleased that in this issue of our magazine we put a focus on how we, the council, deliver that every day.

My responsibilities span a wide range of services that touch everyday life. I oversee our licensing policies – from taxis to alcohol sales – ensuring they are fair and transparent. I also support our Community Protection Officers, who provide a visible presence in our neighbourhoods and help maintain order and reassurance.

A key part of my work involves tackling anti-social behaviour and promoting community cohesion. Whether it's addressing nuisance complaints, supporting victims, or working with police and local partners, I'm committed to making sure everyone feels safe and respected.

I also lead on private sector housing regulation, ensuring landlords meet safety standards and tenants are protected.

We must be firm and act decisively with those behaving badly in our communities, but public protection is about more than enforcement – it's about building trust, listening to concerns, and acting with compassion.

I'm proud to serve Crawley in this role and will continue working hard to keep our town even safer, inclusive, and thriving.





Making our parks safer

We are lucky to have such beautiful parks and green spaces in Crawley. In fact there are more than 1,554 acres of open space to discover in the borough.

Everyone should feel safe whilst enjoying our parks. To improve safety throughout Crawley's parks we have improved visibility through better lighting and clear sightlines. This creates open and welcoming spaces throughout the park.

We have worked with the Green Flag award programme to improve our parks particularly for women and girls who may feel unsafe in certain areas.

The initiative provides specific recommendations for creating safer and more inclusive green spaces.

Six of our parks were awarded Green Flag status again in 2025: Tilgate Park, Goffs Park, Memorial Gardens, Worth Park, Ifield Mill Pond and new for this year – Crawter's Brook. This means they have been recognised nationally by the government as being well maintained, clean, safe and welcoming.

Memorial Gardens in the town centre retained its Green Flag for the 17th



year. We have been working with Sussex Police to monitor anti-social behaviour in the park via our two CCTV cameras and improved lighting. The high specification cameras are equipped with infrared night vision capability to ensure that even with low-light conditions, those involved with crime can still be easily identified.

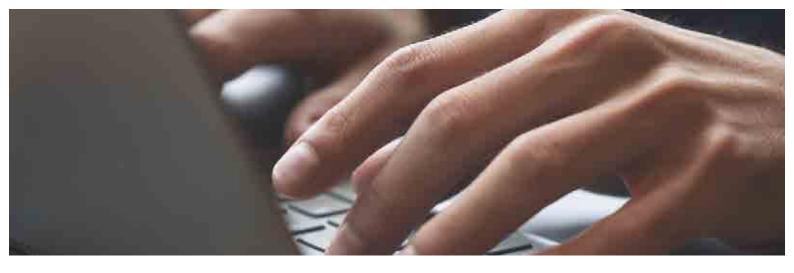
We have also removed benches and box hedging to make the gardens

more open and regularly hold free events in the park to make it a safer place to enjoy.

Tilgate Park celebrated its 23rd consecutive Green Flag this year, continuing its legacy as one of the town's most cherished green spaces.

Following a recent consultation, we have renewed the dog control Public Spaces Protection Order to keep dogs on a lead in specific areas of Tilgate Park for a further three years.

We will not tolerate anti-social behaviour in our parks or anywhere in the borough. And we will work with our partners Sussex Police to take action. If you do see any anti-social behaviour (ASB) in our parks or are experiencing ASB in your neighbourhood, you can contact our ASB Team at crawley.gov.uk/asb



Keeping you and your family safe online

In today's digital world, being online is part of everyday life – from shopping and banking to chatting with friends and accessing council services. But with convenience comes risk. Cybercrime is on the rise, and scammers are getting smarter.

Whether you're tech-savvy or just starting out, here are some essential tips to help you stay safe online.

Ose strong, unique passwords
Avoid using the same password
across multiple accounts. Create
strong passwords using a mix of
letters, numbers, and symbols.
Consider using a password
manager to keep track of them
securely.

Enable two-factor
authentication (2FA) It adds
an extra layer of security by
requiring a second form of
identification (like a code sent to
your phone).

Be wary of phishing emails
They often look like they're from
trusted sources but contain
malicious links or attachments.
Look out for poor grammar,
urgent language, or requests for
personal information.

- Keep software up-to-date Regular updates to your phone, computer, and apps help patch security vulnerabilities.
- Shop safely online Only shop from reputable websites. Look for the padlock symbol in the browser and make sure the web address starts with 'https://'.
- Talk to your family Children and older adults can be

especially vulnerable online. Have open conversations about safe browsing, privacy, and what to do if something doesn't feel right.

Clean up your digital footprint
Review your social media
privacy settings and remove old
accounts you no longer use. The
less personal information
available online, the better.

West Sussex County Council's Digital Safety and Fraud Prevention team runs in-person events and online webinars throughout the year, giving top tips and advice to help you stay safe when you're online.

Visit westsussex.gov.uk and search for fire, emergencies and crime for more detailed information on how to stay safe online and protected from fraud.

Fire service offers free home safety checks



West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service offers free home fire safety visits for vulnerable residents.

Station Manager, James Mcgrath: "A Safe and Well Visit covers many aspects such as having working smoke alarms, cooking, charging electronic devices, and planning an escape route.

"It also covers health and wellbeing topics such as smoking, using emollient creams, alcohol consumption, diet, and exercise — which can all have an impact on a person's safety at home.

"The crew can also fit smoke alarms or specialist smoke detection equipment during the visit free of charge.

"If you or someone you know would benefit from a free visit, please get in touch and we can help you enjoy your home and give you peace of mind."

Find out more at westsussex.gov.uk

Have your say on the future of fire and rescue service

West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service has launched a public consultation on its proposals for its next Community Risk Management Plan, setting out how it will keep communities safe over the next four years.

The five key areas are:

- preventing fires and emergencies from happening
- protecting people, firefighters and property by making buildings as safe as they can be
- responding to fires and emergencies quickly and effectively
- having a safe and valued workforce
- making best use of resources

Share your views at yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/crmp





Policing and safety priorities

Chief Inspector Steve Turner has been serving as a police officer for 23 years and has been working in Crawley for the past five years. This has included being the lead for Neighbourhood Policing, and for the past year he has been the district commander.

Here, he sets out the policing and safety priorities in the town.

Q: Can you tell us about your priorities for keeping the community safe in Crawley?

While we are focussing on making local areas safer, the town centre remains key, but every ward across Crawley is equally important and resources are allocated accordingly.

Enhancing public safety and community protection

Our primary focus is to reduce serious violence, drug-related crime, and anti-social behaviour (ASB). We will continue visible patrols and conduct targeted enforcement operations.

Our goal is to deter violence and ASB, improve community confidence, and create a safer environment for residents and visitors.

Protecting vulnerable people and engage with the community to build trust and gather intelligence. Hotspot monitoring and intelligenceled patrols will focus on areas like parks, transport hubs, and busy public spaces.

Addressing violence against women and girls

We are committed to protecting women and girls from harassment, stalking, and domestic abuse. This includes proactive law enforcement, targeted education campaigns involving schools and community groups, and training officers to recognise signs of abuse.

Increased patrols will be directed towards areas with reported incidents, such as parks and transport hubs, to deter offending and support victims.

All reported incidents will be thoroughly investigated, with victims referred to support services.

Reducing serious violence and ASB

Reducing violence and ASB, particularly in Crawley's town centre, will be achieved through high-visibility patrols, hotspot monitoring, and partnership work with the council and community organisations.

We will deploy intelligence-led patrols in known trouble areas and conduct joint operations to address issues in residential areas and parks.

Protecting vulnerable people

Safeguarding vulnerable individuals from exploitation, including child sexual exploitation modern slavery, and drug harm, remains a priority.

We continue to work closely with social services, charities, and housing providers to share intelligence and coordinate responses.

Targeted operations will disrupt county lines drugs networks and modern slavery rings, while community education campaigns will raise awareness about how to spot and report exploitation.

Tackling burglary, robbery and organised acquisitive crime

We will also be focussing on protecting residents and businesses from burglary and theft through targeted patrols, especially during the night, alongside crime prevention campaigns.

Initiatives like Neighbourhood Watch schemes, property marking, and security advice will be promoted to reduce opportunities for offenders.

Collaboration with local businesses will be strengthened to improve security measures.

Disrupting organised crime and crime networks

In addition to tackling specific crimes, a key priority is to disrupt organised crime groups involved in drug trafficking, modern slavery, and other exploitative practices. This involves intelligence-led operations, joint agency responses, and community reporting. By dismantling these networks, we aim to reduce overall criminal activity and protect communities from the harm caused by organised crime.

Building community engagement and trust

Throughout all these priorities, we recognise the importance of engaging with the community to build trust, gather intelligence, and ensure our actions are aligned with residents' concerns.

Regular community meetings, surveys, and outreach programs will be used to keep residents informed and involved.

The Safer Towns program emphasises community partnership working, which is essential for sustainable crime reduction and creating a safer, more resilient Crawley.

Q: Where is the current police demand needed?

Making the town centre a priority

The town centre is a key focus for us because it experiences higher footfall, and consequently, tends to face more challenges related to anti-social behaviour, violence, and crime.

We dedicate significant resources to ensure it is a safe, welcoming environment. Addressing issues in the town centre remains a top priority, and we will continue to implement targeted patrols, enforcement, and community engagement initiatives to reduce crime and improve safety.

For all other areas in Crawley

We recognise that issues of safety and crime are present across all wards in Crawley.

Every community, deserves attention and support. We prioritise responses based on local intelligence, community feedback, and emerging risks to ensure every part of the borough is kept safe.

Our ongoing commitment is to make every ward safer, fostering confidence and wellbeing throughout Crawley.

What's on this autumn?

13 September

Unity: Crawley Together, Memorial Gardens 11.30am to 3.30pm

Join us to celebrate the unity and diversity of Crawley's community with family entertainment, community stalls and activities.

13 September

Plant-based market, The Walled Garden, Tilgate Park 10am to 4pm

A vibrant mix of plant-based food, cruelty-free products, and eco-

conscious brands all in one place.

No need to book in advance. **kordiaevents.com**

2 November

RM Sotheby's London to Brighton Veteran Car Run, town centre From 8.30am

This year, the world's longest-running motoring event will commemorate the famous Emancipation Run of November 1896.

Watch the historic vehicles as they pass along The Boulevard and

Southgate Avenue on their 60-mile journey to the finishing line.

veterancarrun.com



crawley.gov.uk/events

All events are subject to change or cancellation.

Major investment for K2 Crawley

K2 Crawley is celebrating a significant milestone following a £2.5 million investment from Crawley Borough Council with the completion of its brand new, state-of-the-art gym.

Managed by Everyone Active, on behalf of Crawley Borough Council, the centre is currently undergoing a wide range of improvements designed to meet the growing needs of the local community and encourage residents to keep active. The newly refurbished gym, which is now open to customers, features the latest Life Fitness equipment including additional squat racks, benches, Watt bikes, and equipment that supports emerging fitness trends such as Hyrox.

Alongside the gym, a second new group exercise studio has been created featuring new mats and equipment including weights.

This marks the completion of the second phase of the refurbishment, which also included the introduction



of a brand-new group cycling studio, fitted with top-of-the-line Keiser bikes, upgraded lighting, and a high spec sound system.

A new multi-purpose studio for group exercise classes and a fully renovated reception area were also delivered as part of the first phase.

Work continues on the final upgrades, which are expected to conclude by early autumn.

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Bulky waste collections

Our bulky waste service is for collection of up to 10 household waste items that won't fit in your bin.

If you receive certain benefits such as Universal Credit or Job Seekers Allowance, you will be eligible for a £50 discount against one booking per calendar year.

We will collect:

- white goods and large electricals such as fridges, freezers, washing machines and TVs
- furniture such as beds, sofas, tables and bookcases
- floor coverings such as carpets, rugs, lino and laminate flooring

- garden and outdoor items such as lawnmowers, benches, washing lines, play equipment and bicycles
- fixtures and fittings such as internal doors, baths, toilets and radiators

Book a collection by calling **01293 438772** or find out more at **crawley.gov.uk/bulkywaste**

If the bulky waste service isn't right for you, there are alternatives:

 the items we collect will be disposed of, but not recycled or re-used. So, if your item is in usable condition, you might consider swapping, selling or donating it instead

- textiles can be collected along with your recycling bin
- batteries and small electrical items can be collected along with your rubbish bin
- book to take items free of charge to the Recycling Centre on Metcalf Way at westsussex.gov.uk This includes some hazardous, building or garden waste that are not included in the bulky waste service
- sign up for our garden waste collection service at crawley.gov.uk/greenbin
- order a bulky bag for collection of building or DIY waste from horsham.gov.uk

From eyesore to action: Tackling fly-tipping in Crawley

Did you know that Crawley Borough Council spends a whopping £1.3million a year clearing fly- tipping?

This is money that could be spent on new play equipment, new sports facilities or even cutting the grass. Not only does fly-tipping ruin the borough for others, it also takes away from money that could be spent on other services. We are determined to drive out fly-tipping and littering from the borough. From 1 September, fines for those caught fly tipping will increase from £400 to £1,000. Residents are also responsible for ensuring that their own waste is disposed of correctly when using waste carriers. If your waste is then fly tipped, you can face fines of £500. Always check that your waste carrier is licensed by the Environment Agency and that you receive a waste transfer note.

Additionally, if you are caught dropping litter deliberately you will face fines of £150.

Currently, council staff pick up an extra 250 bags of litter a day which are sent to landfill. It's all our environment and if you do spot any fly-tipping in Crawley, please do report it at my.crawley.gov.uk, we will investigate and we will seek the highest possible penalty.





Private
Client specialist,
Roshni, returns
to Crawley office!

After some time away on Maternity Leave, Roshni Patel is once again back in Mayo Wynne Baxter's award winning Private Client team based here in Crawley. Roshni; "I am very pleased to be back here in the team and reconnecting with my existing clients as well as meeting the needs of new clients in the region.

I look forward to helping you and your families with all your estate planning and estate administration matters"

Please get in touch with Roshni Roshni Patel - Solicitor 01293 649038 rpatel@mayowynnebaxter.co.uk

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Healthy homes

Living in a damp, mouldy home can be bad for your health.

Rising damp and penetrating damp tell us something is wrong and needs fixing.

The key to getting rid of mould and stopping it from returning is to keep moisture to a minimum. This can be solved by fixing any leaks, improving insulation and draughts, improving air ventilation, and using a dehumidifier to keep your house at a constant humidity level.

Treat mould when you notice it.

Don't use bleach as it doesn't

remove or kill the mould spores. It's best to find a fungicidal wash which carries a Health and Safety Executive approved number.

Too much condensation can lead to damp and mould. There is always some moisture in the air, even if you can't see it. It tends to appear on cold surfaces like windows and outside walls and in places where there is little or no movement of air, like corners of rooms, near windows or behind cupboards and wardrobes.

You should keep your house at the ideal humidity, regularly open your windows and use extractor fans,

clean your house and then keep it clutter-free.



Reporting antisocial behaviour

Anti-social behaviour can negatively impact the safety and wellbeing of our communities.

If you witness or experience issues such as vandalism, noise nuisance, intimidation, or public disturbances, it's important to report them. You can do this via our online form at crawley.co.uk/asb

Reports help us take appropriate action and work with local partners to resolve problems. All information is treated confidentially, and your voice plays a vital role in keeping Crawley a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Let's work together to protect our neighbourhoods.







Help at the press of a button

Our Lifeline personal alarm service allows you to maintain your independence and feel safe in your own home, while a GPS tracker option is suitable for those who like to get out and about.

Installation is free and there's a small weekly rental charge that includes a responsive repair and replace service, an annual service visit from the Lifeline team and access to an operator 24 hours a day.

And for extra peace of mind, we can offer a key safe as part of your Lifeline package.

Call 01293 438468, email lifeline@crawley.gov.uk or find out more at crawley.gov.uk/lifeline





Celebrate Halloween and Bonfire Night safely

For a safe and enjoyable Halloween and Bonfire Night, follow these tips to celebrate in the safest way possible.

Halloween

- when trick or treating, ensure all children are always supervised by an adult
- buy costumes from reputable suppliers and ensure they have a UKCA or CE mark
- not everyone celebrates
 Halloween or likes people
 knocking on their doors at
 night. Only knock if there are
 Halloween decorations or a
 pumpkin outside

- you can let people know whether you want trick or treaters by downloading a Halloween poster to display in your window at sussex.police.uk
- use battery-operated tea lights for decorations instead of candles

Bonfire Night

- think about attending an organised firework display
- only purchase fireworks for private use from licensed retailers and ensure they have the European safety standards CE mark

- always light fireworks or sparklers at arm's length with a taper, and then stand well back
- never go back to a lit
 firework or try to re-light it.
 Once the fireworks and
 sparklers have been used, put
 them into a tub of water or
 sand, and dispose of them in
 a bin the next day
- never let fireworks off around pets. The RSPCA has tips on how to keep pets calm

You are not alone

Taking care of your mental health is just as important as looking after your physical wellbeing.

Start by building small habits: get enough sleep, eat nourishing food, and move your body regularly. Make time for things that bring you joy, whether that's reading, walking, or connecting with loved ones.

Don't be afraid to ask for help – talking to a friend, therapist, or support group can make a big difference

If you or someone you know is struggling with their mental wellbeing, for example anxiety, stress or low mood, there's support available 24/7.

Text **SUSSEX** to **85258** for free, confidential support at any time of the day or night.

You'll be connected to a trained volunteer who can help you feel heard and supported.

This service is provided by Shout who can be contacted at **giveusashout.org**



Help stop domestic abuse



Domestic abuse is a serious crime that has a significant impact on victims, survivors, their children, and other members of their households. It is estimated that one in five people in the UK have experienced domestic abuse since the age of 16, but it is known to be significantly under-reported.

This means many victims spend many years suffering abuse before help and support is provided. Social housing providers, like Crawley Borough Council, play a key role in recognising and identifying the signs of domestic abuse and working with victims and survivors to provide help and support.

Anyone can report a concern or incident of domestic abuse including a resident who has experienced abuse, a neighbour, a family member, a member of staff, other professional or anyone else.

We will treat all cases as a high priority and provide a swift and confidential response where domestic abuse has been disclosed, reported or is suspected.

Homelessness emergency If you are experiencing homelessness as a result of domestic abuse outside of

office hours and need assistance with somewhere to stay, call **01293 438000** and ask for the emergency accommodation officer.

Support for victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247. Live chat via nationaldahelpline.org.uk or email supportercare@refuge.org.uk

Worth Services Provide support and advice to victims and survivors of domestic abuse and sexual violence abuse. You can self-refer by calling 0330 222 8181 Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm.



Creating safer spaces for young people across Crawley

We are working with partners including West Sussex County Council, Sussex Police, youth providers, and schools to help keep young people safe in public places and online.

The Crawley Contextualised Safeguarding Group looks at public spaces outside the home and online, where young people might be at risk or vulnerable to exploitation or anti-social behaviour.

By sharing information and working together, the group aims to take action to reduce the risks including:

- directing targeted engagement at locations with young people to understand their needs and promote positive behaviours
- improving environmental factors, such as lighting and layout
- · increasing support and presence from police and other services at the location

Safer Crawley Schools event

Now in its seventh year, the next Safer Crawley Schools event will take place on 17 March.

This annual initiative is delivered in partnership with Crawley Borough Council and local secondary schools. The event brings together all Year 8 students from Crawley's secondary schools to participate in three engaging workshops.

The aim is to raise awareness and build resilience around critical issues such as gang culture, knife crime, county lines and the grooming process.

The workshops are led by the St Giles Trust, who provide expert insight and create a safe space for young people to ask questions and explore these topics in depth.

Waste less, recycle more



The average rubbish bin in Crawley contains:



44.2% Food waste

12% Recycling

1.7% WEEE

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment

2% Textiles

1.8% Garden waste

38.2% General waste



Food waste

Most of the food that is thrown away in the UK is avoidable – 70 per cent could have been eaten at some point before being thrown away. Of that, 41 per cent is just not used in time and 25 per cent is binned because too much has been cooked.

Saving food from going to waste is not only good for the environment but can also save you money. On average this equates to around £20 per person, per month. That is £80 a month for a family of four.

In summer 2026, households in Crawley will start to receive weekly food waste recycling collections. More information will be released nearer the time.

Recycling

Please recycle these items in your kerbside recycling bin and nothing else



paper and

card



foil









plastic bottles and containers

metal cans and aerosols

cartons

glass bottles and jars



X No thanks

Plastic bags, food or any other rubbish

WEEE and textiles

Please reuse or recycle your electrical items and textiles and don't put these in your bins. These items can be taken to the Recycling Centre at Metcalf Way or small electricals can be recycled by placing them

in a carrier bag next to your rubbish bin. Place small amounts of textiles in a carrier bag next to your recycling bin on your normal collection day. You can also place batteries in a small clear bag on top of your rubbish bin.

Recycle your textiles, small electricals and batteries





crawley.gov.uk/recycling



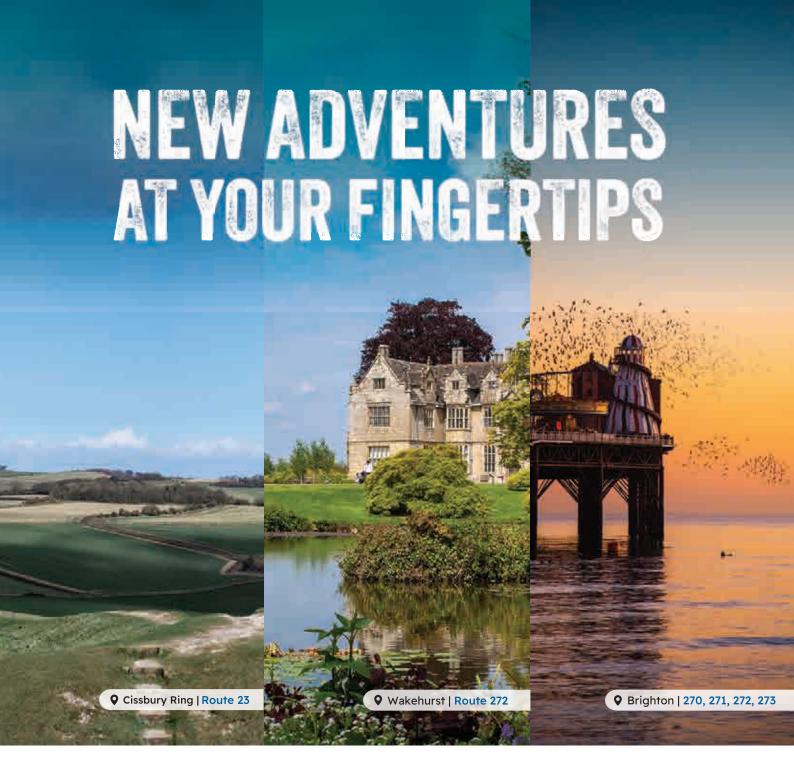


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Council meetings

All meetings take place at **7pm** unless stated otherwise.

Live streaming committee meetings:

Some committee meetings will be live streamed via the council's YouTube channel and then stored on the same channel.

Go to youtube.com/crawleybc

- Planning Committee (7.30pm) 16 September
- · Licensing Committee 23 September
- Extraordinary Meeting Full Council (7.30pm) 24 September
- Cabinet
 - 24 September (8.30pm)
- Overview and Scrutiny Commission 6 October
- Cabinet
- 8 October
- Planning Committee (7.30pm) 14 October
- Full Council 22 October
- Overview and Scrutiny Commission
- Planning Committee (7.30pm) 4 November
- Cabinet
- 5 November
- · Licensing Committee 10 November
- Governance Committee 11 November

Local services

A reminder where responsibilities lie for local services.

West Sussex County Council:

- Highways
- Potholes
- Footpaths
- Road maintenance
- Street lighting
- Education
- Children's services
- Social services
- Trading Standards
- Health
- Libraries
- Recycling centre

Crawley Borough Council:

- Waste and recycling collections
- Dog bins and dog fouling
- Social housing
- Environmental Health
- Business rates
- Council Tax
- Open spaces (council-owned)
- Planning
- Economic development
- Car parks (Orchard Street, Town Hall and Kingsgate)
- Grass cutting

Peter Lamb MP

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