

Croydon nightlife - give us your views

111 Total responses

Night out in last year	Yes	69% 77
	No	31% 34

	Unweighted bases	74
		%
If YES - what venues visited (Multiple Response)	Alcohol free venue	2
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	3%
	Art gallery	6
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	8%
	Bar	34
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	46%
	Bistro/ cafe	15
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	20%
	Bookshop	4
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	5%
	Bowling alley	6
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	8%
	Clubs	11
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	15%
	Comedy venue	6
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	8%
	Community venue	7
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	9%
	Ice cream parlour	8
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	11%
	Jazz club	1
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	1%
	Live performance venue	19
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	26%
	Multiplex cinema	30
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	41%
	Music venue (large)	8
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	11%
	Music venue (small)	10
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	14%
Nightclub	12	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	16%	
Picturehouse cinema	10	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	14%	
Pop up venue	4	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	5%	
Pub	43	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	58%	
Restaurant	49	

		66%
	Retail/ shops	16
		22%
	Sports venue	5
		7%
	Theatre	17
		23%
	Other	2
		3%

Other venues
1. Cinema in Croydon Clocktower - David Lean
2. Hotel christmas party with food and music

	Unweighted bases	31
		%
	Atmosphere/ ambience	20
		65%
	Prefer to go out in London	14
		45%
	Hard to park	4
		13%
	No public transport	0
		0.00%
	Prefer to go out near my	4
		13%
	Prefer to go out near my home	3
		10%
	Too many chain venues	13
		42%
	Anti social behaviour	21
		68%
	Fear of crime	18
		58%
	Cost/ expense	2
		6%
	Nothing of interest	17
		55%
	Not convenient	2
		6%
	Venues too busy	1
		3%
	Other	4
		4

Reasons why not
1. Venues are badly mis-managed, leading to a bad crowd being dominant in said
2. No gay venues

3. Whilst South End is looking much better due to recent paving, the High Street from Edridge road to Katherine Street is greasy, crummy, treeless and desperate.. The
 4. Full of chavscum since before the so called riots makes me feel vulnerable riding my

	Unweighted bases	103
		%
What venues would you like to see more of (Multiple Response)	Alcohol free venue	13
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	13%
	Art gallery	35
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	34%
	Bar	42
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	41%
	Bistro/ cafe	45
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	44%
	Bookshop	31
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	30%
	Bowling alley	21
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	20%
	Clubs	21
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	20%
	Comedy venue	56
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	54%
	Community venue	23
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	22%
	Ice cream parlour	11
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	11%
	Jazz club	33
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	32%
	Live performance venue	59
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	57%
	Multiplex cinema	8
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	8%
	Music venue (large)	47
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	46%
	Music venue (small)	58
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	56%
	Nightclub	28
	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	27%
Picturehouse cinema	43	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	42%	
Pop up venue	32	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	31%	
Pub	28	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	27%	
Restaurant	34	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	33%	
Retail/ shops	24	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	23%	
Sports venue	17	
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	17%	

	theatre	63
<input type="checkbox"/>		61%
	Other	6
<input type="checkbox"/>		6%

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| 1. Independent bars |
| 2. it would be great to have more family venue that are restricted to family alone. currently the Vue offers teenage screening which is encouraging. a more contidential feel |
| 3. LGBT |
| 4. Without the ambience created by trees, good paving, lighting and clean streets (Crowdon's look greasy due to the asphalt and need washing due to overflowing bins) |
| 5. cocktail bar, somewhere adult to enjoy with friends. Not a mad night out! |
| 6. Individual restaurants / 'gastro-pubs' (not chains) offering good quality food (very few |

93 responses - if you could do one thing to improve Croydon's night life ...

Have more independent venues
Make it earlier to walk from one part to another
Places to park for free
Reduce the rent for businesses to encourage clubs and bars to reopen
Go back 15 years!!! Reduce ridiculous costs/hurdles!!! More bars and clubs - we used to attract crowds from all over the uk!!!
Make it safer
More open air events loved the mela in lloyd park & the kids thing at park hill, need more kids events
Allow a bit of freedom and enjoyment to the evening. Nice to see some pop up bars, food stalls, street music. At the moment everything is so controlled and regimented, it feels like people aren't allowed to have fun and enjoy themselves.
More bars/other venues catering for the over 30s
Make parking easier and more offers available.
Get a better balance between the pubs and the amount of good quality arts and music venues.
Put pedestrian refuges in the middle of South End to make it easier to cross the street and browse the different restaurant menus.
More independent venues with live entertainment
Remove the management of key venues so that the Civil Law complaints system actually worked again. Too many venues are chronically mismanaged (doing favours for friends instead of being impartial), and this causes a huge amount of trouble with the biases that are then produced.
Provide a choice
Co-ordinate activities more so there is more going on in one place at the same time.
More to do if you are over 25!
Outside spaces such as cafes and bars but well lit and heated.
Do something to make people feel safer when walking past the likes of Dice, Reflex, etc. The noise and drunken shouting should not be allowed to spill out like that onto the streets as people have to walk past it on the way to other places...
More upmarket venues.
Improve general atmosphere. The town centre is very sterile.
More small independent pubs, and more nightclubs
Keep the Fairfield partly open during its refurbishment.
no opinion as i don't live here
minimise the young drunk people - also the football crowd drinkers are also quite intimidating if you are out with your children
Encourage independent businesses (such as bars and restaurants) to flourish.
Quirky interesting bars like the ones in shoreditch
More variety, most nights out in Croydon is going to a pub or a club, I would like to see something different and a wider variety e.g live music or comedy, which you would otherwise have to go to central London for

Provide a small fund to support event promoters to underwrite them against a percentage of possible losses, with the percentage of cover dropping gradually over 12 months.
Better quality of nightclubs to attract better calibre of people!
Certain areas look 'seedy' st George's walk for example. Area in front of library doors needs better lighting, needs cleaning and better signage. Could be so much better
Keep Fairfield open for next 2 years
Safer nights would make me want to go out more. Bars are usually shabby and do not serve a young clientele. Different destinations, better advertising of new venues.
Make the streets feel safer. When you walk out of somewhere after dark there are always gangs of lads hanging around which makes you feel unsafe. And the police are standing around too doing nothing
For far too long, the vision of Croydon "as an exciting place with a vibrant night-time economy" in our rulers' minds has been one rooted in pubs, clubs and boozing, Let us change that --- for ever!
Ensure police and council support it, and not work against it.
Get rid of all the chavs.
Better lighting especially in side streets
Encourage a different type of nightlife, perhaps like Balham with more bars.
Encourage wealthier people (specifically, those with higher disposal incomes) to live closer to the town center and, thereby, support and encourage a more diverse and aspirational night-time economy, which has the potential to be a little more refined. N.B. "Picturehouse cinema" in 2016; WTF?
Much more restaurant and outdoor space with nice lighting and entertainment outside Fairfield area to make it a very community comfortable fun area which encourages you to relax after shoes a etc
I think it needs to have independent venues such as Antic and bars that are more creative. It would be good to have our own version of Busby Building. I think the venues in Croydon are too large chains and are dull and boring. The only good venue are Spread Eagle and Matthews Yard.
More independent stuff
Soul.. Piano bar.
Nicer bars/restaurants
Improve the diversity of the people attracted to the area
I would create a much greener environment. This is what people want, perhaps on a subconscious level. At present, the town centre is a dirty, bleak, dark and even hostile environment, OK maybe for filming. It is like TV before the invention of colour television. Or London in the smog.
Lots more independent (character) venues in the town centre.
Better calibre restaurants and night clubs.
Reduce late night music licences in local pubs. It often ruins the local area and makes going out at night feel unsafe.
Provide more variety
More police and less loutish behaviour.
Do things for the older families too. Eg theatre outdoor restaurant
Reduce the heavy police presence in town centre on a Fri/Sat night.
Invest in South Norwood

Make it more upmarket. Or have upmarket options. Picture house cinema would be great!
More alternative nights
Cant say I've seen much crime but scanning my fingerprint and photographing my id at the door instils a fear that something scary is going on outside
Shame that the pedestrianised part of town centre is dominated by shops and so all shut at night so makes that area less appealing and safe at night. With Westfield coming this will change but should be more mixed use so areas feel safe at different times of night.
Make it safer to walk around late at night.
Take the lorries and cars out of the town centre
Quality venues with music to suit all tastes and ages. The emphasis on quality rather than quantity is of greatest importance.
Better frequency of late night buses to out lying wards.
Cater for a wider age group, restart the events at the Clocktower like you used to have. Give the local arts students somewhere to perform regularly. I know that's not one, but you can pick one if you want.
Needs another tiger tiger and Yates. These buildings being closed makes it look rundown
Easy to relax venues,one that plays live music to customers who chill out especially after a hard days work, peaceful relaxation. Croydon leisure centre located in Croydon west or east to help us keep fit that is open till late because not every night is a bar/club/shopping night.
More sophisticated venues and entertainment.
Improve the safety of neighbourhood
More live music
Encourage alternative music genre pubs/bars to open. All the clubs play the same drivel, forcing me to head into central London for a decent music experience.
Rethink plans for Fairfield
Make the bars over 25 to stop the idiots on a night out.
Lots of biggish bars lined up so south croydon is a large strip of bars and restaurants as opposed to having a few far apart places. One big club is needed as well. Late night coffee houses would be good too to break it up a bit.
clean up the rubbish off the streets, too much mess everywhere. it doesn't look appealing
Better advertising of film venues and other entertainment and local restaurants locally and in neighbouring boroughs, to help bolster their economic viability.
The whole look of Croydon put me off coming here. It is not an attractive town. When you get off the train you are greeted by beggars. I don't feel safe. There are no green areas in the town, an avenue of trees in the high street and nice restaurants with outside seating would be nice; like Kingston
More independent (non chain) venues that offer variety i.e cask ales/good quality food
Cleaner venues.
support local businesses better in particular night economy
Create a welcoming atmosphere to be he streets.

Classier, more adult orientated rather than kids getting drunk
Make Croydon feel safer to walk around at night. Brighter lighting and policing
Make Central London party in Croydon! Open cafes for longer hours so that people with Kids and no preference to alcohol can go out as well. Appropriate security arrangements so that everyone feels safe going out late in the night
A sophisticated restaurant-cum-bar with a dance floor aimed at older (30+) people who still want to dance and have fun but don't want to be in a sweaty nightclub full of teens.
Stop closing down the bars and clubs.
Would need more than one thing
Colourful and interesting lighting in the town centre
Enforce the no drinking alcohol in the street bye-law more rigorously
Create independent bars/pubs, all with different music (or no music), inclusive, no stupid dress codes, Something like the Craft Beer Co would be good.
More variety - a wider variety of bars/pubs/clubs playing a wider variety of music and appealing to more than one market.
Increase variety of venues rather than adding yet more nightclubs/bars
Bring more of a café culture with outdoor tables, Put the responsibility on landlords to control crowds outside pubs. Choose an area, such as South End to pedestrianize, with independent restaurants, cafes bistros to make it a destination away from the anti-social atmosphere of the town centre pubs.
Stop closing independent venues like the back sheep bar, need safe, non drugy venues that cater for different styles and music tastes.