

Canning & Clyde Monthly Update – January 2026

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Happy New Year. Hope 2026 brings you many good things.

Addiscombe Railway Park

Saturday 24 January 2026 – Orchard Wassail

The orchard in the Addiscombe Railway Park is by the entrance from East India Way.

For more details about timing and what will happen, keep an eye on the Friends of Addiscombe Railway Park pages:

<http://foarp.co.uk/>

https://www.facebook.com/AddiscombePark/?locale=en_GB

Met Engage – asking for your help

I am including this because some residents in Canning Road have told me they have seen drug dealing in Canning Road near Princess Court. The dealer(s) may also currently be operating in other parts of our roads.

Project Web – Helping fight organised crime and drugs in Croydon

Project Web is all about making Croydon a safer place for everyone. Led by the Neighbourhood Policing Team and working alongside the Local Authority, Operation Orochi, National County Lines Coordination centre, partner organisations and community groups to stop County Lines drug activity and protect those at risk—especially young people. Focusing on five key areas:

- Taking action against drug dealers and those who seek to exploit children and vulnerable adults
- Helping people whose homes are being taken over (cuckooing)
- Providing referrals, education and support
- Managing offenders
- Using data to drive Precision Policing

The goal is simple: reduce harm, build trust, and keep our neighbourhoods safe.

Why Your Voice Matters

By reporting what you see or hear, you help local officers act faster and smarter. Whether it's suspicious activity, signs of cuckooing, or concerns about young people, your input could protect someone vulnerable and help remove dangerous criminals from our streets. Let's work together—stay informed on Met Engage, speak up when it matters, and keep Croydon safe for all.

How You Can Help....

- In an emergency, always call 999.
- For non-emergencies, use 101 or the 'Report a Crime' section on the Met Police website.
- **Prefer to stay anonymous?** Contact **Crimestoppers** using the dedicated page for Croydon:



Speak Up About Organised Crime in Croydon – 100% Anonymously

December newsletter – just a reminder

Thank you as ever to Nigel and Sally for delivering the Canning Road paper newsletters. Most households in Clyde Road have received theirs. The last few in Clyde Road will get their paper copy of the newsletter in the next couple of days.

What do you want from a residents group?

Do please look at the questionnaire and email your ideas! Am attaching the digital newsletter again for your convenience.

Warm spaces this winter

To see a list of local warm spaces people can visit this winter go to

<https://www.croydon.gov.uk/warm-spaces-directory>

In summary the closest ones to us are:

BETTER Ashburton Hall & Park Café

Ashburton Library

Central Library

There are plenty of others only a bus or tram ride away.

Free exhibitions in the warm

The Museum of Croydon (Clocktower, Katharine Street) currently has three free local exhibitions:

[Samuel Coleridge-Taylor](#) Ends 31 January 2026

[Croydon Through the Lens of Charles Harrison Price](#)

[Forge: Industries of Croydon](#)

Cooking on a budget - using food produced in the UK or not too far away

Post Christmas may see some of us thinking about our pennies and well-being!

The website Love British Food on a Budget supports close to home food. It says the advantages of buying food produced not too far away are:

Lower transport costs and smaller carbon footprint

Relatively high welfare standards compared to some other countries.

<https://www.lovebritishfood.co.uk/on-a-budget>

The British Dietetic Society has a handy list of food generally in season during each month of the year.

<https://www.bda.uk.com/food-health/your-health/sustainable-diets/seasonal-fruit-and-veg-a-handly-guide.html>

Outside in the month of January – Frost and ice

Did you know there are any number of different kinds of frost and ice?

There is Ground frost, Air frost, Hoar frost, Glaze and rime.

There is Glaze (clear ice), Black ice, Ice pellets, Hail, Hair ice, Ice pancakes, Ice pellets, Ice spikes, Diamond dust.

The most common type of frost is Hoar frost. This may form on clear winter nights when the temperature of a surface falls below zero and there is enough moisture in the air to form frost. The air may be a little above zero. This is because the

temperature of surfaces (eg the metal of a car, tarmac or grass) cools more quickly than the air around them. The temperature of grass falls more quickly than the surface of a car so we may see frost on the grass but not on cars.

The Met Office has this and more information and short videos on ice and frost at

<https://weather.metoffice.gov.uk/learn-about/weather/types-of-weather/frost-and-ice>