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# **Procurement of HPCDS Services in England and Wales from 1 October 2018**

## **Scheme Area Guide:**

Housing Possession Scheme Area: Bromley and Croydon

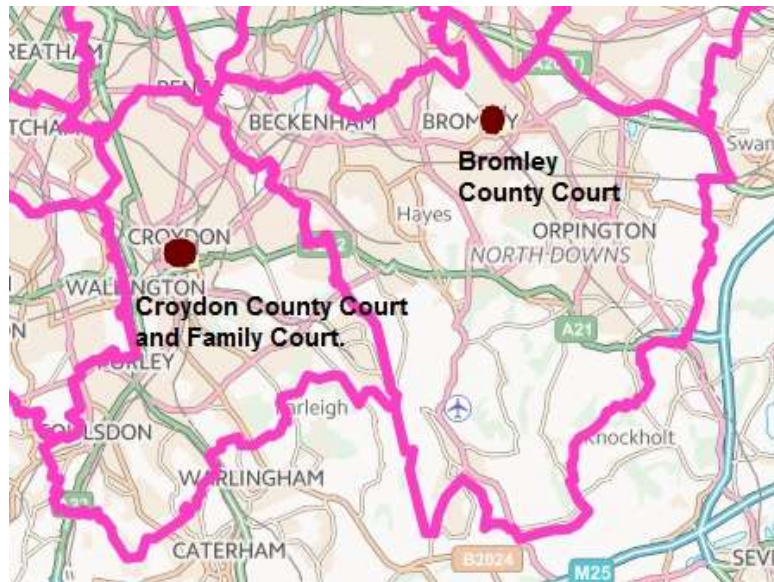
## **Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area: Bromley and Croydon**

### **Introduction**

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of Bromley and Croydon for HPCDS work from October 2018. It provides information on the area and courts locations covered.

### **About the court locations in this Scheme Area**

2. The court locations to be served in this Scheme Area are Bromley County Court and Family Court and Croydon County Court and Family Court.



Local Authority	Population <sup>1</sup>
Croydon	379,031
Bromley	324,857
Total	703,888

### **Alternative Hearing Venues**

3. It is possible that some listings may be allocated by Courts in the Scheme Area to Alternative Hearing Venues (e.g. another non-court venue). The use of Alternative Hearing Venues may begin or change throughout the life of the Contract. It is expected that Alternative Hearing Venues will be located either within or close to the Scheme Area. Currently, Bromley County Court will use Woolwich Crown Court as an Alternative Hearing Venue.

<sup>1</sup> ONS Mid-Year Ward Level Statistics 2015 – released 26 October 2016. (Refreshed Annually)  
<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationestimates/datasets/wardlevelmidyearpopulationestimatesexperimental>

Court locations covered by this scheme	Address	Contact details and Opening times	Parking Information
<p>Bromley County Court and Family Court</p> <p>Court location/tribunal no.152</p>	<p>Court House College Road Bromley Kent BR1 3PX</p>	<p>Enquiries: 020 8290 9620</p> <p>Fax: 0870 761 7689</p> <p>Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm</p> <p>Court counter open: By appointment only</p>	<p>There is a large multistory car park in adjacent roads to the Court.</p>
<p>Croydon County Court and Family Court</p> <p>Court location/tribunal no.182</p>	<p>The Law Courts Altyre Road Croydon Surrey CR9 5AB</p>	<p>Court building open: 9am to 5pm.</p> <p>Court counter open: 9am to 11am and 1:30pm to 2:30pm</p>	<p>There are disabled parking facilities.</p>

#### Projected HPCDS Scheme volumes in the Scheme Area

- The tables below indicate historical information surrounding the HPCDS Schemes in the Scheme Area.

**Bromley and Croydon Scheme Area Key Facts<sup>2</sup>**

Number of courts in area	Three		Busiest days by Acts of Assistance																Bromley	Monday (34%)														
																			Croydon	Friday (47%)														
																			Woolwich	Tuesday (46%)														
Most common day for sessions	Bromley	Monday (29%), Thursday (24%)		Most common types of claimant																Bromley	Social Landlord (44%)													
	Croydon	Wednesday (29%), Friday (31%)																		Croydon	Social Landlord (37%)													
	Woolwich	Tuesday (33%)																		Woolwich	Social Landlord (55%)													
Most common time for sessions	Bromley	Morning (95%)		Most common types of hearing																Bromley	Claims (43%)													
	Croydon	Morning (64%)																		Croydon	Claims (42%)													
	Woolwich	Morning (88%)																		Woolwich	Claims (45%)													
Number of Sessions												Fees paid																						
Court	2014			2015			2016			Court	2014			2015			2016																	
Bromley	181			145			147			Bromley	£106,066.80			£92,232.00			£75,070.80																	
Croydon	324			310			289			Croydon	£95,180.40			£73,558.80			£77,565.60																	
Woolwich	104			95			131			Woolwich	£61,461.45			£59,028.75			£66,970.80																	
Total	609			550			567			Total	£262,708.65			£224,819.55			£219,607.20																	
Acts of assistance by day of the week																																		
Court	Monday		%		Tuesday		%		Wednesday		%		Thursday		%		Friday		%															
Bromley	1242		34		291		8		544		15		882		24		657		18															
Croydon	170		5		195		6		1066		33		270		8		1509		47															
Woolwich	642		24		1195		46		197		8		256		10		329		13															
Total	2054		22		1681		18		1807		19		1408		15		2495		26															
Acts of Assistance									Distribution of sessions by day of the week									Length of session																
Court	2014			2015			2016			Court	Monday			Tuesday			Wednesday			Thursday			Friday			All Day			Morning			Afternoon		
Bromley	1403			1220			997			Bromley	29%			10%			16%			24%			21%			0%			95%			5%		
Croydon	1258			961			1016			Croydon	11%			13%			29%			14%			31%			15%			64%			21%		
Woolwich	860			827			939			Woolwich	26%			33%			8%			11%			21%			1%			88%			11%		
Total	3521			3008			2952			Total	19%			16%			22%			16%			26%			8%			77%			15%		
Number of Nil Sessions				Listing Information																														
Court	2014	2015	2016	2014												2015								2016										
				Type of hearing					Type of claimant							Type of hearing				Type of claimant				Type of hearing				Type of claimant						
				A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4	A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4	A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4				
Bromley	0	0	0	3380	1681	1034	682	2042	3374	1216	1220	3009	3001	1637	1075	566	2004	3764	659	1054	2806	2528	1431	976	473	1612	2843	500	1104	2573				
Croydon	3	15	10	4739	2483	1407	887	2955	5162	2005	1668	3636	3975	2228	1326	611	2575	5495	932	1338	2950	3855	2025	1387	604	2208	4751	779	1428	3121				
Woolwich	0	0	0	2544	1109	749	607	1416	1920	883	913	2709	2443	1033	660	536	1249	1977	424	668	2852	2045	933	628	456	1101	1677	375	633	2478				
Total	3	15	10	10663	5273	3190	2176	6413	10456	4104	3801	9354	9419	4898	3061	1713	5828	11236	2015	3060	8608	8428	4389	2991	1533	4921	9271	1654	3165	8172				

<sup>2</sup> Sessions, fees and acts of assistance data is drawn from the Legal Aid Agencies internal Management Information data. Listing information is taken from HMCTS court listing data.

**1: Accelerated Landlord 2: Mortgage. 3: Private Landlord 4: Social Landlord: A: Claims B: Outright Orders C: Repossessions D: Suspended Orders E: Warrants**

***Please note that Woolwich County Court closed in July 2017. Housing possession cases previously listed at Woolwich are now listed at Bromley County Court. The data for Woolwich is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work transferred to Bromley.***

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