



**Bail & Remand  
Supervision Scheme**

- investing in young people to reduce crime

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## **General Information**

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**The Youth Justice Board states that Bail and Remand Supervision is the preferred alternative to custody and/or remand to Local Authority.**

### What is a Bail & Remand Supervision Scheme?

The Youth Offending Team '*Bail & Remand Supervision Scheme*' offers supervision to young people in Croydon who are remanded into custody or Local Authority accommodation, or those who have been given specific bail conditions.

Croydon's *Bail & Remand Supervision Scheme* endeavours to obtain the appropriate balance between the young person's needs and those of the Criminal Justice System. To allow the scheme to be successful, Croydon Youth Offending Team seeks to ensure that their scheme is pro-active and localised.

### Aims of the Youth Justice Board

The Youth Justice Board aims to ensure that all Local Authorities fulfil their statutory obligations and provides bail supervision for their service users.

The Youth Justice Board has three key objectives in helping YOTs to deliver bail supervision, namely to:

- Reduce the unnecessary use of custody/secure facilities/or local authority accommodation for young people on remand;
- Reduce re-offending on bail
- Reduce delays caused by non-appearance in Court.

## What are the local aims?

The aim of the scheme is to help young people to complete successfully their period on bail or remand by ensuring they return to Court on the due date, having abided by all conditions and without committing further offences or interfering with witnesses. This should enable the Courts to consider a practical and credible alternative to custodial remand.

The *Croydon Bail & Remand Supervision Scheme* is a conditional scheme. As a requirement of bail, there is a condition of compliance with the scheme - the Courts make this Order.

## How is this achieved?

Each young person who is accepted onto the scheme is individually assessed, and a tailor-made programme is then drawn up by the Bail & Remand Officer, based on the needs and history of the young person. The programme assists the young person with accessing or re-integrating into education, employment or training. The contents of the programme will vary, and will include such interventions as one-to-one counselling, mentoring and recreational activities.

Regular sessions are held with the young person and the Bail & Remand Officer, as well as referrals to other appropriate resources.

## Who can be referred?

Anyone between the ages of 10 and 17 years, who is at risk of remand into custody or Local Authority accommodation, can be referred.

### Target Group



## Who can make a referral

The bail and Remand Officer will consider referrals from:



### Referral Process

If the referral is appropriate and is accepted, the Officer would then devise a tailor-made programme and present it to the Magistrates.

### Conditions of the programme

Each young person offered a place must agree to the conditions and sign a contract. At the time the bail is set, a condition of compliance with the scheme is made by the Courts. Failure to comply with the scheme will result in the young person being brought back immediately before the Courts for the bail decision to be reviewed.

### Length of the programme

The programme lasts for the duration of the bail or remand set by the Courts. At the end of the programme, there is a comprehensive handover to the YOT Officer, who will be submitting reports for the Courts.

## What does the Bail & Remand supervision programme provide?

### The programme

The Bail & Remand Supervision programme will have a high level of input to prevent further offending. Such as, *supervision, information sharing, support*. The programme will specifically address the following areas;

- **Offending**

Firstly, he or she will meet with the Youth Offending Team on one afternoon a week, to deal with issues regarding behaviour. Such as, *anger management, offence related work, counselling, advice*.

- **Education**

We aim to access appropriate resources dependent on age such as, *schooling, careers advice, life skills programmes at Croydon College and employment advice*.

- **Leisure**

Provide an Outreach Worker, who will work with him or her two evenings a week, dealing with specific issues such as, *response to the supervision programme, interaction with peers, appropriate use of leisure time, promoting a positive self image and developing self-esteem and confidence*.

- **Accommodation**

The scheme will always assess the young person's home situation and, if appropriate, provide a bail programme that supervises the young person at home or with their foster carer, if in care with the Local Authority. Also, looking at specific issues such as, *family support, assistance with benefits/housing advice*

- **Attendance at court**

Through regular communication with the young person and their family, every effort will be made to ensure attendance at court. Such as *telephone contact, letters, escorting.*

- **Boundaries**

As a part of the programme a curfew, with all the above mentioned, will enable us to work effectively with the young person.

**Example**

**Name:** Young Person

**B & R No:** 0000

Day	Time	Location	Activity	With whom
Monday	9am - 4pm	Croydon College	Education	Prospects
Tuesday	9am - 4pm 6pm - 9pm	College -----	Education Outreach	Prospects Lincoln
Wednesday	9am - 4pm 6pm - 9pm	College YOT	Education Supervision	Prospects Paulette
Thursday	9am - 4pm 6pm - 9pm	College -----	Education Oureach	Prospects Lincoln
Friday	9am - 4pm 5pm - 9pm	College YOT	Education B & R Support	Prospects Elayne

**Supplementary Tasks**

- To reside at 00" .....Road
- To comply with instructions given by YOT
- To attend and retain Educational placement

**Specific Requirements set by the Court**

- Curfew 10pm- 7am

**Name of Court:** Croydon Youth Court

**Bail and Remand Support Officer:**

**Youth Offending Team Officer:**

**Equal Opportunities Policy**

The Croydon Youth Offending Team is a diverse team that acknowledges and respects differences. We seek to provide a service that is fair to all.

We will not accept racist, sexist or any other offensive remarks or behaviour from members of staff or those under supervision.

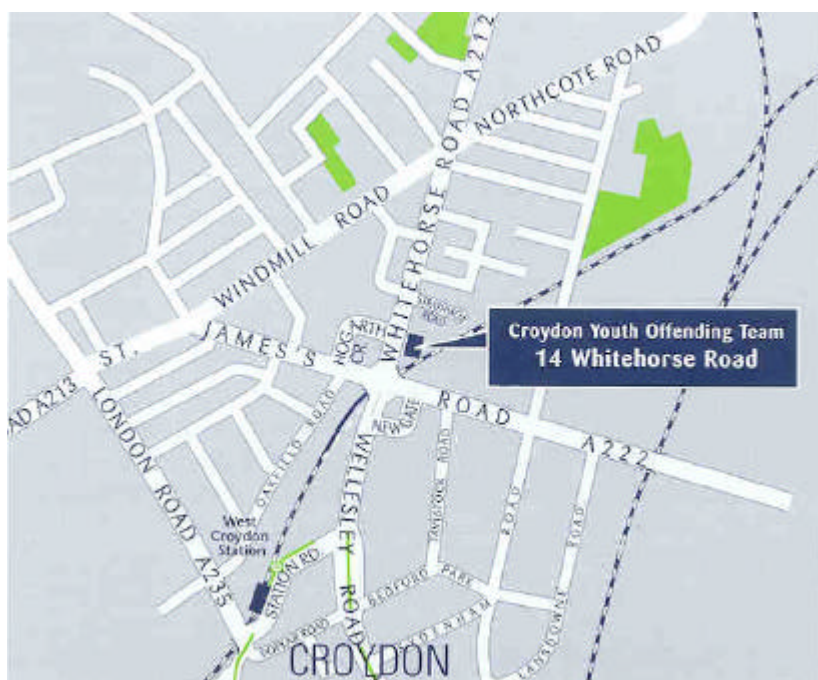
You can also get help from the Commission for Racial Equality on 020 7828 7022, and the Equal Opportunities Commission on 020 7379 6323.

## Complaints procedure

If you have any complaints about the service you receive, please take them up in the first instance with The Youth Offending Team Officer or, if necessary, with the Operational Manager. If you remain dissatisfied, please write to:

Ray Maguire  
YOT Manager  
The Croydon Youth Offending Team  
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## Where to find us



**“We need to avoid young people being punished for being a bad bail risk”**

## To contact the Bail & Remand Officer

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