

## CROYDON CRO

London Square Intelligence Presents

# **CROYDON** LONDON'S SOUTHERN POWERHOUSE

<b>2</b> 4%	TOP 10	<b>2.5</b> M
FIVE-YEAR PROPERTY	UK BUSINESS	EMPLOYMENT
PRICE GROWTH	LOCATION	OPPORTUNITIES
in central Croydon, compared	for Tech company	within a
to 13% in London	start-ups	30 minute commute
Dataloft, Land Registry	UHY Hacker Young, 2020	Dataloft, ONS, BRES

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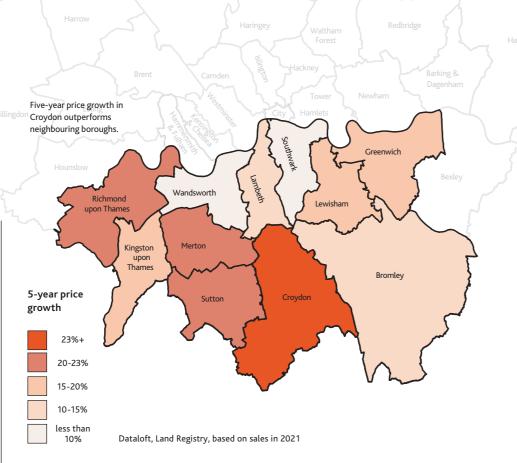
#### CROYDON: LONDON'S SOUTHERN POWERHOUSE | Analysis by Dataloft

### CROYDON London's Southern Powerhouse

lust 15 minutes from central London and considered the UK's best-connected business hub, property prices in Croydon remain highly competitive. The COVID-19 pandemic has heightened the desire by renters and homeowners alike for modern suburban living. and as lifestyle and working cultures have adapted, Croydon is perfectly poised.

Over the past twenty years London's heart has been pushed southwards. With an ongoing multi-million-pound investment programme, the potential for continued property price growth in Croydon is significant.





Croydon attracts tenants

Families

28.9%

8.5%

Sharers

Public

Media &

Creative

in all household types

28.9%

33.7%

Dataloft Rental Market Analytics, based on

new tenancies started over past 12 months

Over half of Croydon tenants

employed in 4 main sectors

Financial/

professional

services

11% 18% 19% 6%

Dataloft Rental Market Analytics, based on new

tenancies started over past 12 months

Single

Couples

Tech

#### **GROWING RENTAL MARKET**

The number of households in Croydon renting in the private rented sector has risen 47% over the past five years (Dataloft, ONS, 2021). The average age of a first-time buyer across London is 34 and in central Croydon, 78% of tenants are aged 20–39. Rents are significantly more affordable here than in other parts of London, yet connectivity means there are over 2.5 million employment opportunities within a 30-minute commute. As hybrid working patterns become the norm, affordability, access to green areas, a sense of local community, space to work from home and broadband speed are all important to renters and homeowners alike.

#### **CROYDON LONDON**



Dataloft Rental Market Analytics, Land Registry, DLUHC <sup>1</sup>Gross Yield based on average price of a 2-bed apartment sold/rented over past 12 months (to end January 2022)

#### **GROWTH AND GREENERY**

Croydon is in the top 10% of all London town centres for both current population growth<sup>1</sup> and "green" space<sup>2</sup>. An increasing number of younger professionals are set to call it 'home' in the future. Croydon is greener than surrounding locations, including Wimbledon and Bexleyheath. As the COVID-19 pandemic forced many to re-evaluate their priorities, homes with gardens and private outside space have risen up buyer and renter priorities.



20/209 Top 10% of London town centres for 'green' space

61% Home movers in 2021 stated a 'garden' was more important in their next property versus 35% in 2020

Dataloft, Ordnance Survey Dataloft, Property Academy, 2021

10.4% increase in population 2020-2022 Dataloft, ONS, based on ward level housing-led population projections (GLA). <sup>2</sup> Area covered by Public Parks and Gardens (Dataloft, Ordnance Survey)

#### **TOP MARKS**

A wealth of excellent schools and access to London's top universities make Croydon a prime location for education. Three of the UK's Top 5 universities<sup>1</sup> – Imperial, UCL and LSE are within a 45-minute commute. UCL and Imperial are ranked in the Top 10 worldwide<sup>2</sup>. London South Bank University (LSBU) officially opened its £750 million campus in Croydon in October 2021.

Within 45 minutes of Croydon

Universities and Higher

Education Colleges

210.000

Students, of which 41%

are from overseas and

45% are postgraduate

Dataloft, HESA, 2022



Independent schools within 4 miles of Croydon London Square site, ISC



Homes with an Ofsted Outstanding school as their nearest

<sup>1</sup> Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2022, Imperial College London, University College London and the London School of Economics. <sup>2</sup> QS World University Rankings 2022



Protected increase in population across

+17,000

Croydon Borough

2022-2042

Dataloft ONS







#### **BUSINESS MAGNET**

With premium grade office space and co-worker space at a fraction of the cost of central London. Croydon is well placed to benefit from the changing business environment in the wake of COVID-19. The town is a magnet for company headquarters and earns the accolade 'Silicon Valley of South London'. Croydon's Tech City is one of London's fastest expanding, and the 2-year business survival rates are higher here than the London average. Croydon's smart city ambitions are driving forward digital connectivity: 77.3% of premises have access to ultra-fast broadband (+300 mbps) and there is an ambitious programme of IoT (Internet of Things).

<sup>1</sup>Dataloft Inform, Ofcom



Prime office space Croydon, compared to £110 in the West End Dataloft, Knight Frank (2021)



Best place for a post-COVID satellite office

Knight Frank 2021 based or London and the South East

#### **CROYDON CONNECTED**

Croydon boasts superb connectivity via train, tube, tram and air. The redevelopment of West Croydon station is set to complete in 2023 and East Croydon is Outer London's second busiest station<sup>1</sup>. Gatwick, the UK's second busiest airport is easily accessible and Croydon is also home to the 39-stop Tramlink, London's only tram network.



#### Homes within a 200 metre walk









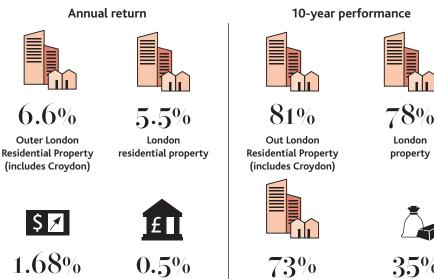
Gatwick Airport London Bridge West End, via Victoria St Pancras, Eurostar

Dataloft, Department for Transport, Ordnance Survey <sup>1</sup> 6.7 million passenger entries and exits 2020/21 (ORR)

### **PROPERTY A SAFE HAVEN ASSET**

Property has long been considered a haven asset in times of economic and political volatility. Residential property values have outperformed other assets and yields remain attractive in the continuing low-interest-rate environment. The costs of buying, holding and selling a property in London remain globally competitive. Price growth of 17.1% is forecast for London's outer commuter belt between 2022-2026 (Savills, 2021).

#### **RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY VALUES OUTPERFORM OTHER ASSETS**



US 5 year **Government Bond** 

Bank of England UK base rate

Inner London

**Residential Property** Dataloft, <sup>1</sup> UKHPI (December 2021), Bloomberg, LBMA Gold Price (£ sterling)



#### WE ARE LONDON SQUARE

Founded in 2010, the company has already created a development pipeline worth over £2 billion. By focusing solely on the capital and its surrounding areas, we are specialists in developing homes that are worthy of this magnificent city and the demands of its residents.

We take our name from the ethos of London's famous squares and the sense of community and enduring legacy they have provided over the centuries. Respectful of the past and inspired by the future, we are committed to creating exceptional properties which reflect the aspirations of our residents, stimulate thriving communities and set a new benchmark for modern living in the capital.



## LONDON SQUARE CROYDON

London Square Croydon is an exciting contemporary development of 108 private one, two and three bedroom apartments, minutes from the shops, restaurants and transport hubs. Centrally located and positioned next to West Croydon station, it is set to become the place to live and socialise.

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- A new public square will provide a focus for ground floor shops, cafés and restaurants
- The landmark tower offers spectacular views over Croydon and towards London's famous skyline
- Stylish apartments with flexible, open plan layouts incorporating work from home stations and private winter gardens
- · A residents' lounge with wi-fi, leading to one of three communal landscaped terraces
- 24hr Concierge
- 14 minutes by train to Gatwick Airport
- 14 minutes by train to central London

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