

# THE WARREN

*(Residential Care Home)*



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# Property

The Warren is a Residential Care Home for the Elderly, registered by the London Borough of Croydon under The National Care Standards Commission.

It was established in 1982 by the present **owner** Mr.Safo.



The Warren specialises in caring for elderly people who are over 65 years old and have a past or present mental illness.

## The History of the Warren

The Warren is named after a house called "Warren Woods" which was set in a famous beauty spot in Shooters Hill, Kent, and which later became a home for Korean orphans in the 1950s.

The Warren has an unusual history having been owned by only three people since being built in 1900. The first owner of The Warren, a Mr Henry Kinsey, lived at "Warren Woods", and the internal structure of The Warren is an almost exact replica of the original house in Kent.

## Size and Location

In 1900 Mr Kinsey bought the land and plan of The Warren from property developer Douglas Young and Co. for 2,000 Guineas (£2,200.00).

The original Warren plot stretched from Binfield Road, and included six houses from 45-55 on Castlemaine Avenue, stretching to cover the present sites of 84/84a and 82 Coombe Road. Thus The Warren is the mother of eight houses.

The Warren was specially built with many strategic features. Rainwater from the roof was collected in a large tank and was available from a tap in the butlers pantry. All bath water was held in another tank and was piped to strategic points around the garden. A continuous damp course was engineered, replacing the more commonly used air bricks of the time.

The Warren gardens, tennis court, orchard, kennels and pond were all completed in February 1903.

During the First and Second World Wars, Croydon Tennis Club was closed. The club members came to use The Warren's two grass courts, whilst two additional courts were made by converting the croquet lawn. People regularly visiting The Warren at this time included General Sir Edward Woodward, Grandfather of Callen, Mr Davis, who opened the first theatre in Croydon, and Major Rodgers. Mr Kinsey served in the Artillery Rifles and 36th Ulster Division during the Great War.

In 1923, Mr Kinsey, Major Rodgers, and a third friend founded the Plessey Engineering Company in Ilford. Later, a Plessey Radiogram aerial was installed between the chimney stacks of The Warren.

During the Second World War, The Warren Cellar was converted into a shelter and accommodation for 14 A.R.P.'s and other soldiers when their own Head Quarters became uninhabitable.

## **LOCATION**

### **How to get to the Warren**

The Warren overlooks the pleasant Lloyd Park. A bus stop in front of the home has been replaced by a TRAMLINK and offers fast and reliable services. East and West Croydon railway stations are both 15 minutes walk away from The Warren - providing easy access to Central London and the South Coast.

## **TRANSPORT**

The transport links to The Warren are bus T33 and the Croydon to Wimbledon Tram Stop - Lloyd Park.

## **MANAGEMENT & STAFF**

### **Plans for the Future**

The Warren continues to evaluate and update its services and amenities. Rooms are periodically redecorated to suit individual residents choice. Other renovations are scheduled and will continue, so that residents are assured the finest care possible in the most comfortable setting.

## **Care Plan Team**

The Warren has some of the most comprehensive facilities in the area offering both skilled and restorative residential care.

The Warren prides itself on its holistic approach to resident care, ensuring that residents have physical recreational, emotional and spiritual opportunities for fulfilment.

We encourage residents to attain their full potential with the aid of assessment and individual care plan.

When a new resident arrives, the staff develop an individual care plan to meet the residents specific needs.

The care plan is reviewed and evaluated as often as necessary by our team of key workers management and doctors. With valuable input from the resident and his, or her, family, we can ensure that the very best personalised care is being provided, and that each resident has every opportunity for living as independently as possible.

# ACCOMMODATION

We provide both single and double/shared rooms, with 87% being single rooms and 13% doubles.

All bedrooms are fully carpeted, furnished, decorated, centrally heated and equipped with wash hand basins with constant hot and cold water.



Over bed lights with dimmer switch facilities, and comfortable arm chairs are also provided in every room.

Each resident is provided with a special bedside call bell which can only be cancelled at the source of the call, ensuring that staff respond to a resident immediately.

All rooms have good lighting and ventilation, and are fitted with approved locks to ensure privacy and security. Telephone and television sockets can also be provided. Front door key's can be provided upon request.

Residents are encouraged to bring their own possessions - subject to suitability, size and safety -and because each bedroom is decorated with a different style of wallpaper with matching carpets, curtains, and bed linen, residents can enjoy the individuality of their own single or double bedrooms.

## W.C and Bathing Facilities

Our WC and bathing facilities exceed Registration Authority standards. These facilities are designed to cater for elderly people who may have some degree of disability. WCs are situated so that residents do not have to negotiate steps from their bedrooms or communal areas. Towels are provided and laundered, although residents are welcome to bring their own if they so wish.

A medic bath, suitable for the disabled resident, is available, allowing the disabled and elderly to bathe in greater comfort.

## Sitting Rooms

These are provided on the ground floor. The Warren has a main sitting room, a conservatory(dining room) and a second sitting room and smokers area.

## Main Sitting Room

The main sitting room provides a homely atmosphere, -and is designed so that residents can sit in small or large groups at their own choice. The room is spacious, and elegantly decorated to a high standard.

The furnishings include both hard and soft chairs with footstools to match and are ideal for elderly people.

The walls and ceilings are decorated with ceiling roses chandeliers, high quality wallpaper, niches and co-ordinating carpets and curtains.

The original fire place is adorned with a carved mantle with secluded lighting in the alcoves. There is a tropical octate fish tank display in the centre of the fire place which provides a source of relaxation, therapy and pleasure to the residents and staff.

Other features include a large colour television with cable and satellite services providing a minimum of 40 channels, and a hi-fi system with turn-table, tape deck and CD facilities, clocks tables, cabinet and corner units.

## Conservatory/Dining Area/Sitting Area

The main sitting room allows easy access through French windows to the very large well decorated conservatory.

One half is used as a sitting area, whilst the other half which is large enough for all of the residents, is used as a dining area.



The conservatory houses a large television with satellite and cable facilities, Hi-Fi system and a piano which may be used by residents or outside entertainers. The Conservatory is well carpeted, curtained, has blinds and centrally heated to provide the right temperature.

## Second Sitting Room (Smokers Area)

The home does not attempt to change the smoking habits of elderly residents, therefore a sitting room is provided for those who wish to smoke.

After smoking the residents may use the other communal areas.

Although full fire protection systems are in force, in other to ensure the comfort, safety and rights of all, smoking is restricted to the designated sitting room.

Smoking is not permitted in the bedroom or other areas of the house.

## Garden

The conservatory leads through two doors to a large, well kept, safely enclosed area with garden furniture, plants and flowers, garden lights and a tarmac area.

The home is well set back from Coombe Road, with a front lawn, flower borders and garden furniture. The front garden provides a direct view over the popular Lloyd Park.

# OTHER FACILITIES / SERVICES

All facilities are provided in accordance with the requirement and recommendation of the Registering Authority including:

- 24 hour staffing
- Qualified mental and general nurse available for advice 24 hours a day (or experienced staff will be on call)
- Health and Safety and Fire provisions
- Individual call bell points
- Well equipped bedrooms and communal areas
- Well kept gardens to the front and rear of the home

# RECREATION / ACTIVITIES

## A Place to Grow

Enhancement of life involves more than just respect and understanding. At The Warren there is always something interesting going on.

The staff regularly plan a comprehensive schedule of activities, offering both group programmes and one to one interaction, from discussion groups to inter-generational programmes and outings.

Residents participate in a wide range of activities, special performances and parties. There is something here for everyone. The variety of our services enrich and enliven the lives of the residents.

## Religion

There are several churches nearby, satisfying a wide range of religious needs.

Volunteers or next of kin may escort residents to church. The clergy also make home visits on request to hold a short service and to give communion.

# RESIDENTIAL PROVISION

## Aims

At the Warren, we aim to be open minded, and receptive to suggestions from residents, next of kin, staff, visitors and Social Services etc. at all times.

To promote the integration of the service in to the local community.

To promote privacy, dignity and independence and to offer as wide a choice as possible in their lives.

To provide a homely atmosphere in which each resident can relate to each other and to have a positive attitude to life.

All of these aims are underpinned with a recognition and promotion of individual client rights needs, desires and goals. We aim to provide tender loving care.

Striving constantly to improve the home, we aim to benefit both residents, staff and the community as a whole, through the provision of a pleasant place to work and live.

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