



Caption: the front of 1 Town Barn Road.

1 Town Barn Road

Visual and Sensory Story

This guide is to help you find the Creative Crawley activities at 1 Town Barn Road in West Green and to explain what you might find when you get there.

The guide aims to support children, young people and adults with autism, communication difficulties, neurodivergence, other learning disabilities and those with English as a second language. Others may find it useful too.

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Caption: The main entrance has ramped access from both sides.

1: About Unit 79/80

1 Town Barn Road is a **temporary artist and event space** based at the **Theatre Centre** in West Green. It is a hub for creatives and creative events. There are artists' studio spaces there, and a space for events and workshops. You can hire some of the space. It is managed by Creative Crawley in partnership with the Theatre Centre.

2: What to expect when you visit 1, Town Barn Road

What does 1, Town Barn Road look like?

The building is a brick building on one floor. You enter at the side of the building which faces the street where you can see the circular design shown in this picture.



Caption: Our foyer space has brick walls, a green floor and blue sofas.

There are two different ways of entering the site:

1. From West Green Drive (next to the bus stop)



2. From Town Barn Road via the car park



There are two different ways to enter the building.

At the front of the building there are double doors which take you through to our foyer space. There is a doorbell to ring to gain access.

Sometimes you will be asked to access through the garden entrance which also has a ramp. This is to the right of the building if you are facing it.



Our partners, Theatre Centre, work here too – so you might see people getting on with their jobs, having conversations and using computers.



There may also be artists getting on with making things. Sometimes there might be banging or the sound of sewing machines.



We have recently decorated the building so there might be a smell of fresh paint.



The lighting levels

During the day, the lighting in 1, Town Barn Road will be strong white light like lighting in a shop or office space, but if a special event is happening, it might be darker, with coloured theatre lights in the main hall and groovy green light in the hallways.



What does Unit 79/80 sound like?

If there is an event on, like a talk or the opening of an exhibition, there might be a lot of people standing and talking so it might be quite noisy. There will always be a quiet space. If you need a break ask one of the people in blue lanyards, they will take you there.

If you come early in the day or there aren't many people in the space, it might be quiet.



Caption: For special events, the lighting in the foyer might be green instead of white.



Caption: the Large Studio

The Large Studio

The Large Studio is a big room with light coloured walls and a hard floor. If you are there for a workshop, there will probably be tables and chairs to work at. If you are going to an event, the space might be empty so people can stand or dance.

If it is for a performance, there might be seats set out in lines or in a circle so you can sit and watch. If a special event is happening, there might be coloured stage lighting in the main hall.

3: Opening times and contact information

1 Town Barn Road is **only open to the public for events and open days.**

It is also open for special events. Visit creativecrawley.com/whats-on to see the programme of upcoming events.

If you have any questions or access needs, please **email: hello@creativecrawley.com** or **call: 07951 122157**



Caption: photograph shows the junction of West Green Drive and Town Barn Road.



Caption: The bus stop for Metrobus 2 & 3 is outside Crawley Hospital on West Green Drive.

4: Getting to 1, Town Barn Road

The address is: 1, Town Barn Road, West Green RH11 7XG

1, Town Barn Road is on the corner of Town Barn Road and West Green Drive, opposite Crawley Hospital. You will see a large sign for the Theatre Centre at one of the entrances.

Buses

Bus services 2 and 3 (Metrobus) stop outside the hospital on West Green Drive.

5: Accessibility Information



Toilets

There are toilets in the foyer on the left, just before you enter the Large Studio. There is an accessible toilet but it is not a changing places toilet.

Parking

There are parking spaces opposite the main entrance but these are limited so please contact hello@creativecrawley.com or call 07951 122 157 to reserve one.



Caption: Parking spaces opposite the main entrance.

Help with getting to 1 Town Barn Road

Creative Crawley may be able to help with transportation to our events by arranging a taxi for you, providing accessible transportation by mini bus, or offering discounted travel.

Please contact hello@creativecrawley.com or call 07951 122 157 to find out how we can help you.