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“Homelessness in Croydon”

London Borough of Croydon (Background)

Population over 390.000

- ❖ The population of Croydon have increased with 7.5%.
- ❖ The percentage by ethnic group(Asian-17.5%, Black-22.6%, Mixed-7.6%, White-48.4%, Other-3.9%.
- ❖ The percentage of employed people (excluding full-time students) increased in Croydon, but fell across England.
- ❖ The percentage of the main religion is 48.9%(Christian), 25.9% Do not have religion.
- ❖ Official language - English (ONS,2023)



Introduction to homelessness in Croydon Borough

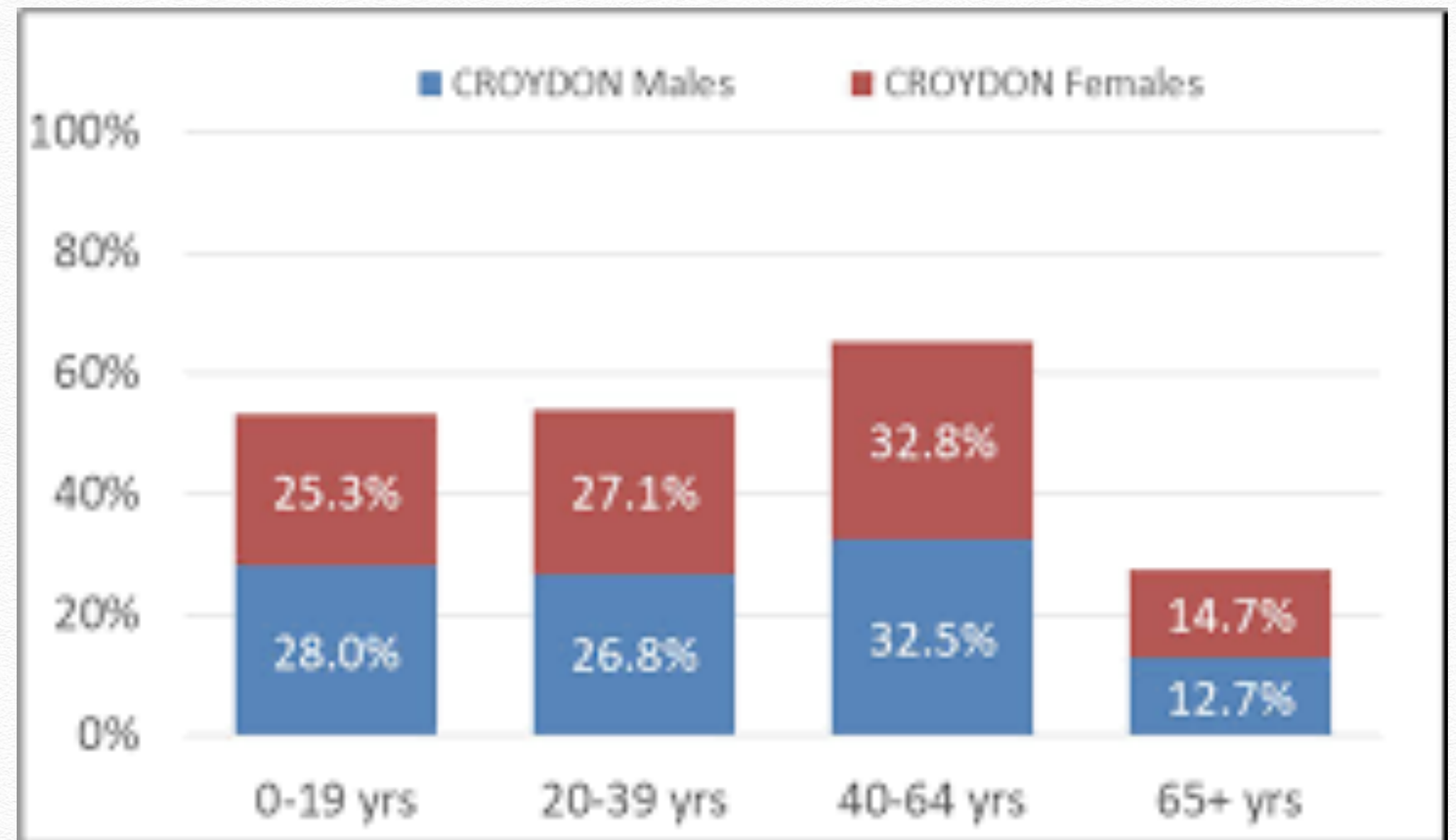
The Aim of my community project:

- ❖ Reduction of the homelessness.
- ❖ Prevention of homelessness.
- ❖ Support.



- ❖ (56%) of homeless people in Croydon are age 25-44 years old. One in 6 (16%) are aged between 16-24 years old, and one in 4 (23%) are aged 45-64 years. There are only few people aged 65 years and over (2%).
- ❖ According to, the same document 37% Black, 34% White, 7% Asian, 9% Mixed, 2% Other, 11% Unknown are the percentage of the ethnicity homeless in Croydon. (CROYDON BOROUGH PROFILE, 2021, pp. 50-51)

Homelessness by Age & Ethnicity Croydon Borough



What causes the homelessness in Croydon Borough?

- ❖ 50.4% of the homeless in Croydon become that way due to family or friends no longer want or able to support them.
- ❖ 37.6% when a private rented tenancy comes to an end.
- ❖ 5 available properties per week, and more than 5,000 are waiting. Large number of more than 3,000 people are join the number of the waiting list. (Croydon Gov.Uk, 2023)

Policy and Legislation Implemented in Croydon

(Homelessness) Part 1

- ❖ **Homelessness Reduction Act 2017:** 'The Act introduces preventing and relieving homelessness as a statutory duty for anyone who is eligible (i.e. has a legal right to remain in the UK) and is homeless or threatened with homelessness.' (Pitt, Aston, and Head, 2018).

Policy and Legislation Implemented in Croydon

(Homelessness) Part 2

10 years ambition working with Crisis: the strategy is too priorities for preventing homelessness.

- ❖ Build 2000 home for the residents.
- ❖ Extend the Landlord Licensing Scheme.
- ❖ Develop a strategic partnership with Crisis to develop our 10 year strategy to end homelessness. (Croydon.gov.Uk, 2022)



Use of digital media and technologies for community development

- ❖ The Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) in Croydon - Croydon benefits from a strong VCS which makes a vital contribution to the borough and provides support for some of Croydon's most vulnerable residents. (Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy 2019-2023 Council, n.d)
- ❖ Crisis- is the national charity for homeless people. Crisis Skylight Croydon help people experiencing homelessness or risk getting there. (Crisis, 2023)



Recommendation & Conclusion

- ❖ Lack of housing as we know is the fundamental problem that the homeless communities are facing. According to, Homeless link (2023) recommend an increased supply of and access to truly affordable homes.
- ❖ It is hard to keep going and help homelessness of being at the streets from past few years . However, Croydon is doing well. The strategy that are implemented with the new housing and the support from the different organisations will increase the help for those who needs the most.

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Food Bank & Community Kitchen

Providing emergency parcels & hot take-away meals

Every Tuesday

6:00PM - 7:30PM

When: Every Tuesday at 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Where: Croydon SDA Church Hall, 95 Selhurst Road, London, SE25 6LH (access via side entrance)

Contact: 07930 167 812 or email communitykitchen@croydonadventist.org

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Family: The Foundation of Society Series

Saturday | 10:00 am

24 JUL

Stellar: Vacation Bible School 2023

Monday | 10:00 am

31 JUL

Mentoring Programme

All day

04 AUG

End-Time Preparation Camp Meeting

Friday | 11:59 pm

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