

About AURORA

AURORA works together with Croydon police, to improve LGBT people's confidence in the police, and also takes action to address local concerns about LGBT policing issues.

AURORA meets with the police every two months:

- to hear reports from the police about recent LGBT hate crime incidents
- to raise issues and questions with the police
- to decide on future actions.

Between meetings, AURORA members keep in touch via e-mail and raise urgent matters with the police as they arise.

Third-party crime reporting

If you're not happy to speak to the police, you can report hate crime against LGBT people to:

- Galop on **020 7704 2040**
- Victim Support on **0845 450 3936**
- Broken Rainbow, to report LGBT domestic violence on **0300 999 5428**

Galop is a well-established LGBT organisation with a good third-party reporting service. You can also report hate crime using Galop's Online Report Form:



www.galop.org.uk/online-report-form

In an emergency, always dial 999

For other LGBT groups and events in Croydon, see www.lgbt-croydon.org.uk



How to get involved

AURORA is open to all LGBT Croydon people. We focus on direct experiences of crime and policing. We also undertake proactive work to improve safety, security, and confidence in the police service.

AURORA has successfully presented concerns, and undertaken actions, raised by LGBT people in Croydon. We want to act on your concerns. Please contact us:

www.aurora-croydon.org.uk
info@aurora-croydon.org.uk
07733 286954

Police contacts

To contact your local police, use the new non-emergency number:

101

You can also report hate crime online at <https://online.met.police.uk>

In an emergency, always dial 999



Croydon's LGBT Police Consultation Group

For lesbian, gay, bisexual, intersex and trans people with an interest in Croydon

www.aurora-croydon.org.uk



As a trans person, should you use the gents or the ladies? AURORA's 'Which Loo?' document was endorsed by Scotland Yard in 2006.



AURORA has supported several people who wanted to report hate crimes but weren't happy to go to the police.

AURORA was very concerned about the way the police handled one serious crime. We recommended improvements, which were taken up through the Met's LGBT Advisory Group.



The Advisory Group often helps and advises AURORA.



The AURORA School Bullying Project helped local teachers implement a ground-breaking approach to the bullying problem, based on equality for all (not just LGBT people).



AURORA helped publish guidance to gay asylum seekers, to help stop them "disappearing" and falling into crime.

A few things



has done

AURORA at Brighton Pride



A gay man came across a group on social media planning organised assaults on gay men in Croydon. AURORA got the key facts promptly to the right officers and prevented the attacks.

AURORA has regularly taken part in Croydon's event for IDAHO, the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia, on the 17th of May.



AURORA celebrated its 10th Birthday in 2013.



Every year in November, AURORA joins the local trans community to commemorate victims of transphobic murder worldwide.

