

CRYSTAL PALACE WOMEN VS IPSWICH TOWN WOMEN

SUNDAY 5 APRIL 2026, KICK-OFF 2PM

This match will be played at Sutton United's ground, VBS Community Stadium.

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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Information in this guide is as at 31 March and is correct to the best of our knowledge. Any updated information on this fixture will be published on the club website (www.itfc.co.uk), X (@ITFCWomen, @IpswichTown and @itfchelp) and Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/IpswichTownF.CWomen/).

INFORMATION FOR TOWN FANS

We visit Crystal Palace Women in the WSL2 on Sunday, 5 April 2026. The following guide has been produced for Town fans making the trip to the VBS Community Stadium, which is the stadium of Sutton United FC.

This is based on information from the Crystal Palace website plus additional information specific to this game.

For any further information, please contact Elizabeth Edwards, Supporter Liaison Officer, Ipswich Town Women on +44(0)7968 876504 or Tom Grover, Supporter Liaison Lead on slo@itfc.co.uk or +44 (0)7701 219724 or on X at @itfchelp.

CRYSTAL PALACE WOMEN INFORMATION

Stadium Address: Sutton United Football Club, VBS Community Stadium, Gander Green Lane, Sutton, SM1 2EY

Website: https://www.cpfc.co.uk/palace-women/

Phone number: 020 8768 6000

General Enquiries: reception@cpfc.co.uk

Supporter Services: customer.service@cpfc.co.uk

Disability Access Officer: dlo@cpfc.co.uk, 07960 880147

Matchday Queries: office@suttonunited.net

X: @cpfc_w

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/crystalpalacewomen

Ground Regulations: https://media-cdn.cortextech.io/cb0d8e4b-aebf-4fc7-9a7c-d1f6eafeb63a.pdf (see page 11 and 12)

Safeguarding:

https://media-cdn.cortextech.io/cb0d8e4b-aebf-4fc7-9a7c-d1f6eafeb63a.pdf (see page 8)

Spectator Conduct:

https://media-cdn.cortextech.io/cb0d8e4b-aebf-4fc7-9a7c-d1f6eafeb63a.pdf (see pages 9 and 10)

The Palace website includes a supporters guide to Sutton United. The link can be found here.

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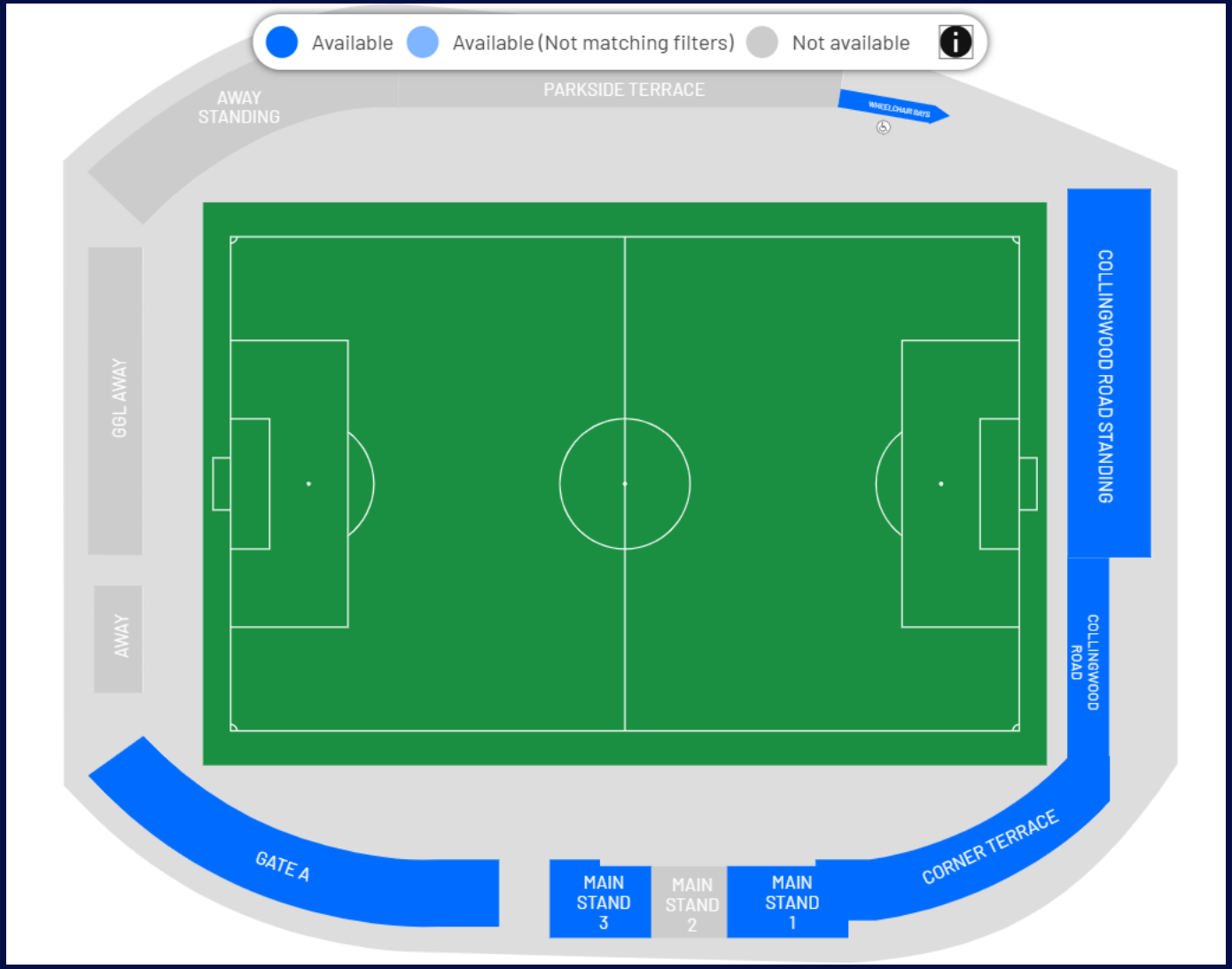
This guide is very detailed and is well worth a read.

We have picked out the key information and added anything which is specific to our fans in the following information.

STADIUM MAP

Tickets for this game are available in the areas highlighted in blue: the Main Stand (seating), Collingwood Road (seating and standing), Corner Terrace (standing) and Gate A (standing).

Away fans are recommended to use Block 3 of the Main Stand (note that leg room is famously tight in this stand). At the Subway Cup game the Gander Lane Terrace was also available to Town fans – this is currently showing as not available to purchase.



TICKET INFORMATION

TICKET PURCHASES

Tickets can be purchased from Palace via this link: https://www.eticketing.co.uk/cpfc/EDP/Event/Index/890

We understand that tickets will also be available on the gate. No cash payments will be accepted.

PRICING

Seats

- Adult - £12.00
- U16 - £5.00

Standing

- Adult - £9.00
- U16 - £5.00

Accessible tickets are sold at the appropriate age band price with a complimentary PA/ Companion ticket available for eligible supporters.

For more information, please email dlo@cpfc.co.uk.

All tickets will be digital and will be emailed to the account holder before each game.

Tickets will be sent out as PDF files, which can either be scanned on your phone at the gates, or printed off at home.

SUPPORTERS COACH

The Ipswich Town Women Supporters Club will be running transport to this game.

For more information, and to book a place, please contact itfcwosc@gmail.com.

Full payment is required on booking to secure your space.



TRAVEL

There are no planned engineering works on the day of the game.

The nearest station to the VBS Community Stadium is West Sutton which is adjacent to the stadium. This is much closer to the stadium than Sutton station.

From Ipswich take a train to Liverpool Street. Change to the Circle, or Metropolitan Line to Farringdon where would pick up the Thameslink to West Sutton (note, the Hammersmith & City Line is closed). The journey time from Ipswich is around two hours 25 minutes.

After the game there are trains leaving West Sutton to Farringdon at 16:18, 16:48, 17:18 and 17:48. The journey time, due to connections, is slightly longer than the outward trip at two hours 45 minutes.

It is also possible to travel to Sutton out of Victoria (it is also on the Thameslink route above). Sutton is about a 20-minute walk to the stadium. If you don't want to take the walk from Sutton station to the stadium, bus number 413 stops on Gander Green Lane, close to the stadium entrance. Bus number 80 stops on Collingwood Road – to access the stadium take the path through Collingwood Rec. After the game there are buses and trains back via the routes taken to travel to the game.

We don't anticipate many fans travelling by train but if you are and you want any further information please do get in touch.

Whatever your travel plans, it's worth checking https://www.greateranglia.co.uk/ for updated times and any late changes.

TRAVEL

The Sat Nav postcode for the VBS Stadium is SM1 2EY although you may prefer to use the postcode of your chosen parking option.

Please note that there is an outer London ultra low emission zone (ULEZ) that will impact if you are driving an older diesel car (or very old petrol model). It is operated by TFL, and can be paid online or by app. Full details can be found here: https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/ultra-low-emission-zone/ulez-where-and-when

From Ipswich take the A12 to the M25 . Once reaching the M25 head south (clockwise) towards the Dartford Crossing. Cross the bridge remembering to pay the toll by the next day (https://www.gov.uk/pay-dartford-crossing-charge). At junction 8, take the A217 towards Sutton. Stay on the A217 to the traffic lights with Cheam Road (A232) and turn right on the A232 towards Sutton. Turn left into Gander Green Lane – the stadium will be on the right-hand side.

The journey time is between two-to-three hours, but we would recommend allowing at least an hour, and preferably 90 minutes, beyond the AA / Google / SatNav suggested journey time. The return journey may well be impacted by queues for the Dartford Tunnel.

PARKING



No on-site parking at the stadium is available., other than for disabled fans (see below).

The Palace supporters guide advised that parking is available:

- on the surrounding roads (please check for any parking restrictions which may be in force)
- at the Gibson Road Municipal Car Park which is no more than a 15-minute walk from the VBS Community Stadium. To get to the car park follow the car instructions on the previous page. Instead of turning into Gander Green Lane, keep going until you reach the Sutton one-way system and turn left into St Nicholas Way and then left again into the Gibson Road municipal car-park (https://www.sutton.gov.uk/w/car-parks-gibson-road). The cost is £2 on a Sunday, with the car park closing at 6:30pm.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING

Accessible parking is available, and free in the VBS Community stadium car park on Gander Green Lane. Spaces are limited so we advise that you book yours in advance by emailing dlo@cpfc.co.uk. Please note you will not be permitted to access the car park if you haven't pre-booked your space.

OUTSIDE THE STADIUM

TICKET OFFICE

There is a ticket kiosk at the stadium where tickets can be purchased on the day. We would, however, recommend purchasing in advance.

FANZONE

The Fanzone is expected to open at 12:30 with a number of family friendly activities.

PROGRAMMES

A complimentary matchday programme is available online at: https://www.cpfc.co.uk/crystal-palace-women-digital-programme/

AUDIO DESCRIPTIVE COMMENTARY

Audio commentary is available for supporters who are partially sighted or blind. This service is only available through prior arrangement.

Anyone wishing to use the audio descriptive commentary service should pre-book through dlo@cpfc.co.uk once tickets to the game have been purchased.

GETTING INTO THE STADIUM

TURNSTILES

Turnstiles open 90-minutes before kick-off.

SECURITY CHECKS

Full searches are carried out by stewarding staff prior to entry and supporters are urged to arrive at the stadium at least 45 minutes before kick-off in orde to avoid delays upon entry. . Bags larger than a rucksack (48cm x 33cm) will not be permitted.

FLAGS AND BANNERS

Flags are permitted but must be accompanied by a British Standards zero spread of flames fire certificate. Flags on poles are allowed as long as they are no larger than 2m x 1m in size and the flag poles need to be no more than pencil thick. Please send details of the flag with the appropriate fire certificate to neil.robinson@cpfc.co.uk at least five working days before the game.

FOOD AND DRINK

Food and drink items purchased outside the stadium are not permitted, but homemade picnic style food is allowed at the discretion of stewarding staff at the turnstiles. I f you have particular dietary requirements that are not catered for inside the stadium, please email dlo@cpfc.co.uk and, if eligible, you will be sent an exemption letter.

PYROTECHNICS

As with all grounds and to comply with legislation, the use of pyrotechnics or even trying to get them into the stadium is a criminal offence and will not be tolerated.

INSIDE THE STADIUM

FOOD & DRINK FACILITIES

A range of refreshments are available at the stadium to purchase. Note that Palace warn that the only gluten free option is chips. A price list is on page 7 of the Supporters Guide.

The stadium is part of the trial allowing alcohol to be consumed in the stands.

ROWLEN'S BAR

Rowlen's Bar opens 90 minutes before kick-off. Please note that there currently isn't a lowered counter for those in a wheelchair, but catering staff/stewards will be more than happy to help should you require assistance.

CASHLESS STADIUM

The VBS Community Stadium is a cashless stadium.

.NO SMOKING

The VBS Community Stadium is smoke-free and smoking or the use of electronic cigarettes is not permitted inside the stadium.

TOILETS AND ACCESSIBLE TOILETS

There are accessible toilets under the Main Stand and one close to the wheelchair viewing area.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SAFEGUARDING

Only children over the age of 14 are permitted to attend a match alone. Children 13 years of age and under must be accompanied by a responsible adult (18+).

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

On the day, please report any incidents or poor behaviour to a steward, who will take appropriate action.

You can also report any discrimination or anti-social behaviour to Kick it Out using the Kick It Out app which is available to download from the App Store or Google Play, or via: Facebook /kickitoutofficial; Twitter @kickitout; email info@kickitout.org; phone 0800 169 9414.