

07 December 2022 KIFF Meeting Notes

Location

Kingston University, John Galsworthy building, JG2003 (second floor)
Time: 12:30 - 13:45 (hybrid)

Agenda

12:30 - 12:35	Welcome to new members	All
12:35 - 12:50	Agora - gathering together	Rabbi Rene
12:50 - 13:05	1. Holocaust Memorial Day	Rabbi Rene & Fleur Standring
13:05 - 13:10	2. Multi-Faith Room - Updates	Hamad Momin
13:10 - 13:30	3. Community approach to bereavement services	Kingston Voluntary Action, Health Watch Kingston and Kingston Council
13:30 - 13:35	4. A way for members to share information and events (website and member bulletin)	Marina Payen
13:35 - 13:45	5. AOB	All

Attendees

Rene Pfertzel – Kingston Liberal Synagogue
Hamad Momin - Kingston University
Sarah Mehdi - Huda Surrey Islamic Centre
Marina Payen - RBK
Caren Marcelline - RBK
Jeremy Rodell - Humanist
Stan Brown - Thames Methodist Circuit
Fleur Standring - Kingston Liberal Synagogue
John Azah - Kingston Race and Equalities Council
Claire Wilding - Hate Crime officer (Met Police)
Henna Biring - Kingston and Richmond Safeguarding Children Partnership
Michael Johns-Perring - St Andrew and St Mark
Keath Gaitskell - Kingsgate Church
Joe Moffatt - All Saints Church Kingston
Gwen Wild - Coroners court support service, coordinator for london, essex and kent
Howard Greenoff - RBK
Catherine Millington-Sanders - SWL ICB + Kingston & Richmond Place EOLC Clinical Lead.
David Morris, NHS
Danny Rich, Chaplain Kingston Hospital
Sanja Djeric Kane, CEO, Kingston Voluntary Action
Michael Lovell, St Raphael's RC
Susan Van Beveren, NHS
RashidAli Laher, Volunteer Lay Chaplain Kingston Hospital & Princess Alice Hospice Esher

Apologies

Greta Farian - Humanist

Suzanne D-Cruze - PC Faith Engagement Officer (Met Police)

Tracey Welding - Kingston and Richmond Safeguarding Children Partnership

Mahendra Thakar

Rosemarie Swinfield - Christian Science Society

Soltan Azizi - Bahai Community

Ignatius Edet - Our Lady Immaculate, Tolworth

Marilyn Leach - St Matthews, Surbiton

Meeting notes

1. Holocaust Memorial Day Commemoration

Update provided by Rene Pfertzel

A detailed discussion took place around the 2023 programme and focus. Call out for contributions.

- Speaker is confirmed as well as attendance from Mayor and Deputy Mayor.
- If you would like to contribute anything to the programme, please contact Rabbi Rene (rpfertzel@gmail.com)
- Hamad will organise Town House logistics and refreshments

Commemoration is taking place on Sunday 29th January, Kingston University, Town House. Time 2pm - 4pm

Action for all: Please register for event and share with communities using Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/kingston-holocaust-memorial-day-commemoration-2023-tickets-490389366797>

2. Future multi faith room

Update provided by Hamad Momin

Working Group couldn't go ahead as people were unable to attend. Discussion concluded that the best way is to partner up with someone in Kingston, i.e. Kingston First, Council, Bentalls. Reach out to potential partners with a letter soon, to see if anyone is interested in partnering.

Potential locations: Could we use the Urban Room consultation on the local plan to feedback on this idea and see if any interest? Also 'Not my beautiful house'? RBK and Bentalls has a prayer room but RBK one is for staff only. Any info regarding Bentalls?

Action: John Azah - To add on the agenda of the Kingston Strategic Partners Board.

Action for all: if you would like to be involved, contact Hamad.Momin@kingston.ac.uk

3. Community approach to bereavement services

Update led by Howard Greenoff, Catherine Millington-Sanders, Sanja Djeric Kane and Susan Van Beveren

Initiative overview: 'Healthwatch Kingston (HWK) and Kingston Voluntary Action (KVA) were commissioned by South West London Clinical Commissioning Group to undertake some research into people's experiences of bereavement services in Kingston.

A community engagement approach was taken that explored the lived experience of those accessing services/support, what mattered most when grieving and the intersection with culture, faith and language barriers. [Report linked here](#)

Would welcome the opportunity to work with the KIFF in identifying community volunteer 'Living with Loss Champions' who would provide a human interface across the bereavement journey. Question posed to KIFF members - is this possible? How could we action this? Please contact Catherine directly: catherinemillingtonsanders@hotmail.com

Gwen: Grief awareness week this week. The '[Good Grief Trust](#)' is good for signposting to. '[At a Loss](#)' is also good resource. There are also [support groups set up](#) in some local churches.

Helpful bereavement guidance for residents, developed by Kingston Local Authority, and relevant to SWL residents [can be accessed here](#)

Joe Moffatt: All Saints could hold the bereavement cafe.

Action: Susan and Joe to connect.

Action Sarah Mehdi interested in discussing further and helping where I can and liaising with our community. Am also a GP. Action to connect together.

Howard Greenoff, howard.greenoff@kingston.gov.uk, if you'd like further information in general.

4. KIFF notice sharing and KIFF colour design

Update provided by Marina Payen

Further to KIFF receiving a lot of requests for sharing information and notices, a general discussion around how best to share information was held. It was agreed that a monthly bulletin that all members can access to add on notices directly would be trialled.

After presenting two options, a colour palette was approved.

Action: Marina to set up a bulletin and share with KIFF members together in January.

5. AOB

Provided by Sanja Djeric Kane on Household Support Fund. [Information here](#)

Faith groups can apply for the grant as long as it is a neutral space and set up as a general warm hub, not as a faith hub. 'Churches Together' in New Malden already have warm hubs set up, so it may be worth linking in with them to prevent duplication in areas.