



Kingston Faith and Belief Forum

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Author	Kingston Faith and Belief Forum
Short summary	The next meeting is taking place on September 23 from 10:00 - 11:30 at All Saints Church, Kingston. Agenda → Dialogue: Women in Leadership → Local Black History: Cesar Picton, a legacy resting at All Saints Church, Kingston → Community Resilience and upcoming inter-faith events
Request of the Kingston Faith and Belief Forum	Please note that the presentation from the 2 July meeting which includes analysis from the <i>'Youth: Faith and Belief in a digital world'</i> survey and the recent interfaith trip to Bosnia is linked here

Title of article or notice	Promoting Accessibility Guides across the borough
Author	RBK Strategy & Partnerships
Short summary	We are proud to share that Kingston Council commissions AccessAble, a service dedicated to providing thorough

	accessibility guides for key public spaces, shops and venues across the borough. This is incredibly useful for people with accessibility needs as it removes the guesswork about a venue's facilities ahead of time (as the guides include information about lifts, toilets and changing places, disabled parking, entrances, lighting, seating and so much more).  Visit Kingston's very own AccessAble page to discover more, or use their search function to find the accessibility of specific venues. A few of our faith & belief venues already have guides which can be found using the following link
Request of the Kingston Faith and Belief Forum	Please share these guides with your communities, a full information leaflet is attached to the email. If your venue has a guide we also encourage you to add a link to the guide on your website or social media.

Title of article or notice	Camino de Santiago - 2027 trek	
Author	Princess Alice Hospice	
Short summary	Join our 2027 Camino de Santiago Trek for Princess Alice Hospice in conjunction with St Raphael's Hospice on a journey that has inspired	

	pilgrims for over a thousand years. This bespoke 5-day journey will follow 117 KM along the eighth and final stage of the iconic French Way, the most renowned of the pilgrimage routes to Santiago de Compostela. Walking through the rolling hills of Galicia, participants will experience breath-taking scenery while discovering a rich tapestry of cultural and historical landmarks along the route. Click here for full details
Request of the Kingston Faith and Belief Forum	We would be incredibly grateful if you could help us raise awareness of this event by sharing the information within your community - whether through newsletters, noticeboards, social media, or during gatherings. If you would prefer printed materials or talk with someone from the hospice please contact Rehman at rehmananwer@pah.org.uk

Title of article or notice	Breast Screening Awareness: Early Detection Saves Lives
Author	South West London Breast Screening Service / NHS
Short summary	Breast cancer affects 1 in 7 women in the UK, with risk increasing with age. Women aged 50–71 are invited for a free NHS breast screening (mammogram) every 3 years, conducted entirely by female staff. Women over 71 can also self-refer for an appointment. Finding cancer early can lead to simpler treatment and more successful outcomes. Uptake for breast screening remains low especially amongst women who are invited for the first time. Other reasons may be fear, embarrassment, language barriers and the stigma of cancer.
Request of the Kingston Faith and Belief Forum	Please share this vital health message with women in your faith community to help reassure women that screening respects modesty and privacy. A full information leaflet is attached to the email.

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Title of article or notice	Consultation on Kingston's new Local Plan
Author	Kingston Council
Short summary	The final consultation on Kingston's new Local Plan is now open and we'd really welcome your views. The Local Plan sets out how Kingston could grow and change over the next 15 years, including where new homes, jobs, infrastructure, community facilities, culture and leisure opportunities could be located, while protecting the things that make our borough special, such as our parks, green spaces and local character. The Plan also sets out where development can take place and the planning policies that will be used to make decisions on future planning applications.
Request of the Kingston Faith and Belief Forum	The Local Plan and all related consultation documents are available on our Kingston Let's Talk engagement portal. If you need the Local Plan in another format, or if you have a question, please email localplan@kingston.gov.uk or call us on 020 8547 5000 and we'll call you back.

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