

Safer Kingston Partnership You Said, We did

Thank you for all your feedback, we have listened to you through:

Surveys, forums, local Councillors, police panels, community groups, businesses and community events

The following pages show how we have used the information to improve things across Kingston through the

The Safer Kingston Partnership Plan



Community Safety Team

Mission Statement

We are proud that the Royal Borough of Kingston continues to be one of the safest boroughs in London.

Kingston Council's Community Safety Team's mission is to keep Kingston a safe, strong and connected borough for everyone to live, work, study and visit. Community safety is everyone's business, which is why we work in partnership with our communities and local organisations to prevent crime, promote safety, and support community wellbeing.

We focus on prevention and early intervention and aim to ensure everyone feels safe and supported through funding vital initiatives, raising awareness and working closely with our communities.

Kingston Council is a part of the Safer Kingston Partnership which brings together local organisations, police, and agencies to create a safer environment for residents.



Partnership working to make places safer

Working with key internal and external partners, we address safety concerns and collaborate with the community to:

- Find solutions
- Raise awareness
- Tackle crime
- Keep Kingston safe.



Partnership working to make places safer

- Action based meetings with partners such as police, NHS, London Fire Brigade, and voluntary organisations to create action plans for locations and areas of concern.
- Work with all partners to deliver events and information stalls to raise awareness and give safety advice.
- ‘This is our estate’ - Joint initiative between the Council, Met Police, and other partners working to improve safety on the Cambridge Road Estate & Cambridge Gardens
- ‘£ntrapreneurship Project’ with Crying Sons and Project X focusing on young people in Kingston.



Coordinated Council Departments



The Community Safety Team has been working to improve safety with internal departments including:

- **Trading Standards**
- **Customer Services**
- **Adult Social Care**
- **Achieving for Children**
- **Regulatory Services**
- **Housing Services**
- **Regeneration Team**
- **Democratic Services**
- **Public Health**
- **Communications & Engagement Team**
- **Emergency Resilience Team & CCTV**
- **Bereavement services**
- **Green Spaces**
- **Neighbourhood Manager / Rangers**
- **Estate services**



Don't suffer in silence



Change policies for the safety of all

- Working with the charity 'ASB Help' who support victims of Anti Social Behaviour.
- We have adopted the 'ASB Pledge' streamlining the way Kingston Council conduct ASB case reviews
- ASB Help have delivered 'Victim Impact Training' for staff in Kingston.

Ending Violence Against Women & Girls

- Launch of the first Kingston 'Ending Violence Against Women & Girls' Strategy.

Co-produced with the Kingston Survivors Forum.

- Renewed White Ribbon Accreditation
- International Women's Day Event at Libraries in Kingston



**Kingston Ending Violence
Against Women and Girls
Strategy 2025-2030**

Co-produced with the Kingston Survivors Forum





Working together: Cemetery Clear Up

- **Concerns from local residents around crime and safety**
- **Lack of visibility on the grounds which obstructs views for passer-by's and police**
- **Community Safety volunteering day at the Cemetery in July to clear out overgrown**

Some of our engagement with residents and communities

- Being an Active Bystander training sessions
- Antisocial behaviour (ASB) and hate crime awareness sessions
- Sessions for parents on online safety and radicalisation
- Initiatives for adults: Including Tai Chi & Candle Decorating & info on scams, antisocial behaviour, support with online access, and crime prevention
- Kingston Libraries event for International Women's Day
- Young Parent Connect project supporting the mental wellbeing in partnership with the Mental Health Foundation
- Information stalls on all areas of safety including Anti Social Behaviour and Hate crime at London Fire Brigade open days, Celebrate Chessington, Kingston College and University freshers fair
- Sessions on domestic abuse and violence against women and girls
- Litter pick at Canbury Gardens



Engagement and training with professionals

- **Prevent awareness**
 - Terrorism, radicalisation & extremism
- **Cuckooing**
 - Taking over a home for illegal activity
- **Bystander**
 - Intervening safely and effectively when seeing things like harassment and discrimination
- **Domestic Abuse**
 - In couple relationships or between family members.
- **Victim Impact**
 - Personal harm caused by a crime
- **Coercive & Controlling Behaviour**
 - A pattern of abusive behaviour



Engagement and including everyone in the solution

Since April 2024, the Community Safety Team has

Engaged with the community:

- Delivered training sessions, hosted engagement events, and participated in community activities.
- Approximately 1515 community members attended.

Engaged with professionals:

- Provided staff training, attended professional events and boards, and contributed to wider engagement activities.
- Approximately 2554 professionals attended.

Key topics covered include:

Antisocial behaviour, Hate Crime, Prevent, Exploitation, Domestic Abuse, Violence against Women and Girls, Crime and Community Safety, Online Safety and Modern Slavery.



We'd like more police out and about

- **Safer Streets Summer Town Centre Initiative**
- **More Met Police Officers were out in the borough, the police also increased the number of officers in neighbourhood teams**
- **Launch of 'Met Engage' - An online platform keeping the community connected to their local policing team**



Whats next?

This survey would like to hear from anyone from the age of 16 and upwards.

Please give us your views!



A background image showing a community safety event. In the foreground, a crowd of people is gathered, some looking towards the camera and others looking away. In the background, there are trees and a yellow banner with text that is partially obscured. The overall scene is outdoors and appears to be a public gathering.

Community Safety

**Community safety is
everyone's business.**

**Together, with our partners
and residents, we're building
a safer Kingston for today
and the future.**