

KHFT Newsbytes



Transforming our Emergency Department

This month building works started on our new Urgent Care Centre which will be located at the front of our existing Emergency Department. The urgent care centre will care for patients with minor injuries and ailments allowing patients with life threatening conditions to be cared for in the Emergency Department. The expanded Majors and Resus areas will provide six additional Majors cubicles and two additional Resus areas. As part of these building works, the car park outside of the hospital’s Emergency Department is closed for approximately 7 weeks, followed by a phased reopening. The pedestrian entrance to the Emergency Department will also be closed. Patients and visitors will need to access the Emergency Department from the Main Entrance or via the Main Outpatients entrance at all times.

<https://www.kingstonhospital.nhs.uk/news-events/news/£15million-investment-to-transform-and-expand-kingston-hospitals-ae.aspx>

Kingston Hospital commended for achieving the biggest increase in recruitment to clinical research

Kingston Hospital has made the greatest improvement in recruiting to clinical trials according to the latest figures from the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR). More people in the local community have the opportunity to access new and better treatments through participation in clinical research than ever before.

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Kingston Hospital unveils new Garden of Reflection

Kingston Hospital has a newly refurbished reflective outdoor space for those supported by neonatal charity Born Too Soon, this garden area provides a quiet space for people to reflect take a minute out of their busy day or stressful situation. The garden’s makeover was funded by M&S, who chose Born Too Soon as their charity for the year.

[https://www.kingstonhospital.nhs.uk/news-events/news/kingston-hospital-unveils-new-garden-of-reflection-\(1\).aspx](https://www.kingstonhospital.nhs.uk/news-events/news/kingston-hospital-unveils-new-garden-of-reflection-(1).aspx)

Transforming Dementia Care Film

One of the highlights of our journey over the last few years has been the transformation of Derwent to become a dementia friendly ward. We have been very keen to share what has been achieved and to help spread our success story the Kingston Hospital Charity has created a short film to highlight what has been done and to encourage more people to support our appeal to raise money to begin work on transforming our other elderly care wards. You can watch the film [here](#).

Elections to the Council of Governors

Later in the year we will be holding elections to our Council of Governors. There will be elections in the following constituencies: Kingston, Richmond, Elmbridge, Wandsworth, Merton, Sutton, rest of Surrey & Greater London We will hold information sessions for those interested, if you are interested in standing for election please contact FTMembership@kingstonhospital.nhs.uk. We will be holding information sessions on the following dates:

- Wednesday 6th September - 6-7pm – A Kingston Governor will be present to talk about their experience of the role.
- Tuesday 19th September – 6-7pm – A Public Governor will be present to talk about their experience of the role.

Click [here](#) to view our Council of Governors leaflet

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