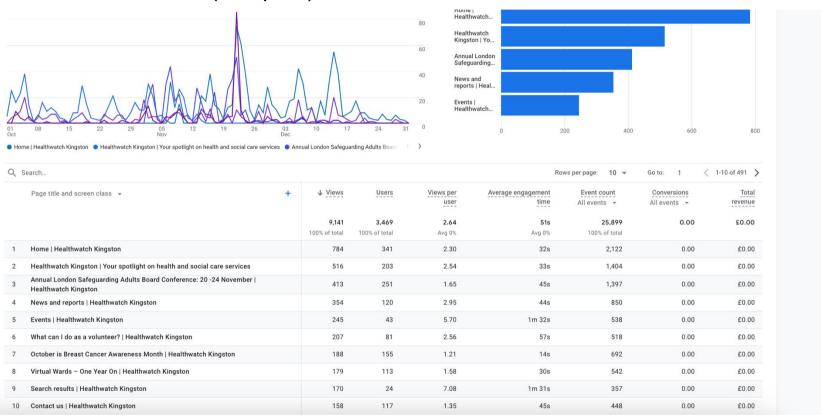




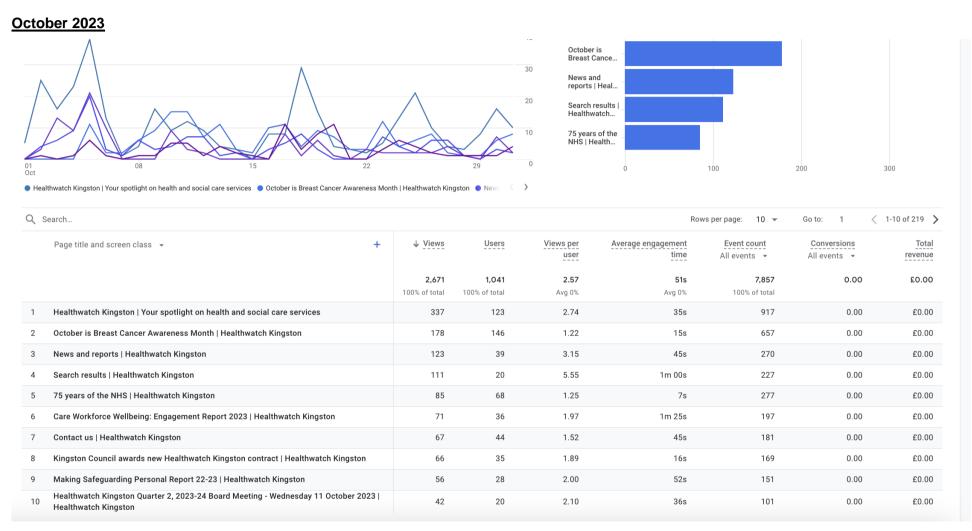
# **WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA**

# 1 October - 31 December 2023 (whole period)

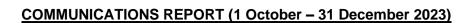


Above is a screenshot of a graph showing web traffic to the Healthwatch Kingston website from 1 October – 31 December 2023. We have had a total number of 9,141 visits to our website during this period, with 3469 'unique' page views which means it does not include the same person visiting multiple times. For the purpose of reporting I will look at 'unique page views'. Our home page has a total of 341 unique page views. This is followed by our 'Safeguarding Adults Board Conference with 251 unique page views, 'Your spotlight on health and social care services' with 203 unique page views and Breast cancer awareness month with 155 unique page views.





In July the page with the highest number of unique views (146) was the one about Breast Cancer Awareness month, then it's 'Your spotlight on health and social care services' with 123 views, followed by the 75 years of the NHS with 68 views.





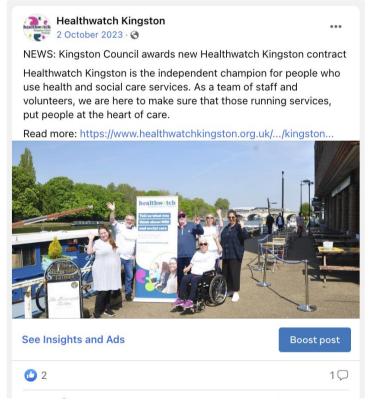
## **Twitter**

In October we received a total number of 317 impressions (number of people who have seen our content). Our top Tweet was the one about Healthwatch Kingston being awarded the new contract with 95 impressions.

# Facebook

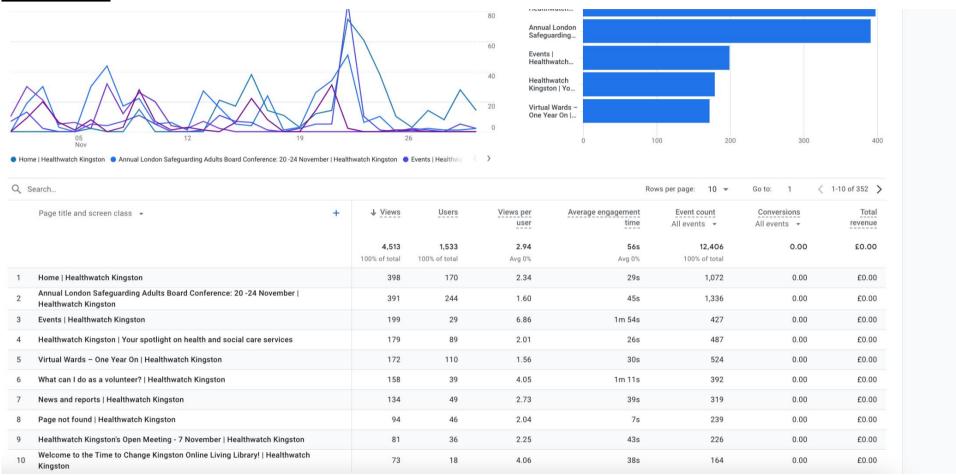
In October our most popular post of Facebook was also the one about winning the new contract, reaching 35 people.







# November 2023



In November the page with the highest number of unique views (244) was the one about the Adult Safeguarding Board Conference. This was followed by the 'Virtual Wards – One year on' (110), then 'Your spotlight on health and social care services' (89).



# Twitter

In November we received 282 impressions. Our top tweet in was the one about Free Dementia Friends session with 49 impressions.

# **Facebook**

In August most popular post was the one about Vaccines for unpaid carers reaching 29 people.



# Healthwatch Kingston @HWKingston

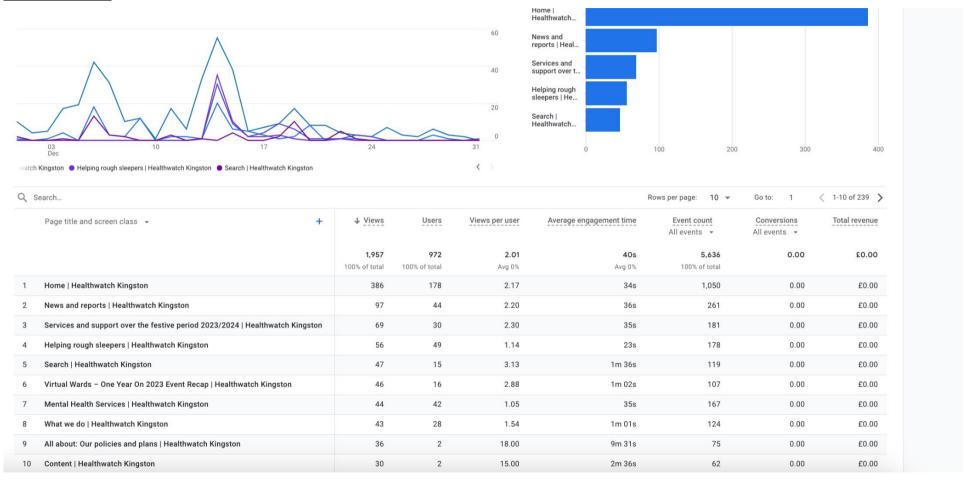
Free Dementia Friends session: Thursday 23rd November, 2023 - 10:00 to 11:00. More

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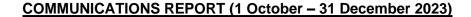




# December 2023



In December the page with the highest number of unique views (49) was the one about How to help rough sleepers. This was followed by 'Mental health services' (44) and then 'News and Reports' (42).





# **Twitter**

In December we received 1,200 impressions. Our top tweet in was the one about Kingston Hospital's survey on blood tests with 458 impressions.

### **Facebook**

In December the most popular post was on Facebook was also the one about Kingston Hospital's survey on blood tests, reaching 2,730 people.



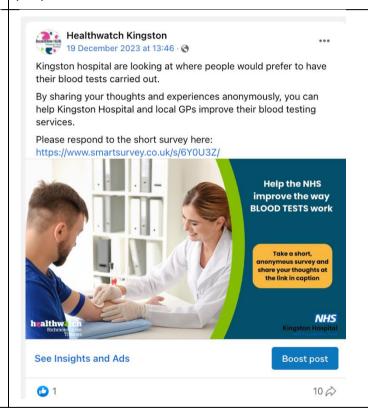
# Healthwatch Kingston @HWKingston

Kingston hospital are looking at where people would prefer to have their blood tests carried out.

By sharing your thoughts & experiences, you can help Kingston Hospital and local GPs improve their blood testing services.

Have your say here:

https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/6Y0U3Z/pic.twitter.com/HqOpoqtBXX





# MAILCHIMP AND HWK NEWSLETTER

# Healthwatch Kingston e-news (5 October 2023)

Out of 755 recipients, 344 people opened the email.

Article links performed at follows:

- 1. Care Workforce Wellbeing 27
- 2. Board Meeting 14
- 3. Black History Month 7
- New contract news 4
- Breast cancer 4
- Stoptober 4
- 7. World mental health day 3



#### Dear Healthwatchers!

In this newsletter we would like to share with you our Care Workforce Wellbeing: Engagement Report 2023.

October is a busy month for raising awareness of important issues. It is Black History Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Stoptober and it is World Mental Health Day on 10 October. We share how we are supporting these below.

#### Care Workforce Wellbeing: Engagement Report 2023

The research for this report was undertaken from August 2022 to March 2023, and builds on a wellbeing survey for care workers undertaken by RRK in late 2021. The views of 102 care workers were gathered by HWK through a survey, meetings and events approximately two thirds worked in care homes, and one third in home

Although the majority valued their work, gained satisfaction from it and felt that both their physical and mental health were taken seriously by their employer, there were also many stressors, such as being short staffed and feeling bereaved when a patient died. Carers generally felt respected. but over one third had witnessed disrespect and/or discrimination and a fifth did not feel confident in reporting it, or felt that clients who were disrespectful were unwell and not fully aware of their own behaviour.

Read the full report and recommendations.

#### In case you missed our news last week - Kingston Council awards new Healthwatch Kingston contract

now continue the great work that we are already doing to give a voice to Kingston residents on their experiences of health and social care services.

Read more

#### Stontober 2023: It's not too late to start Stoptober and Quit Smoking

Stontoher has begun but it's not too late to join Read more.



#### October is Black History Month

Black History Month takes place annually in recognising the contribution of those with African or Caribbean heritage. This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters' to remember black women who have marked our history and culture locally, in the UK and worldwide

Find out more

#### October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

This October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and we are focusing on raising awareness around secondary breast cancer.

There are an estimated 61,000 people in the UK who have been diagnosed with secondary breast cancer. That's why we fund research dedicated to giving those living with the disease, to give them more time to live their lives to the fullest.

#### World Mental Health Day is on 10 October

Mental health continues to be of significant concern locally, with people seeking information and requesting help to access support.

Healthwatch Kingston is committed to working in partnership with voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations (VCSE), Public Health and the NHS; whilst raising the voices of service users and people with lived experience of mental health issues.



#### Read more.

#### Next Board Meeting - 11 October

Our next board meeting will take place on Wednesday, 11 October at 5pm, face to face. Members of the public are welcome to join part A of the meeting.

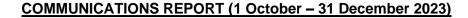
More details.













# **NEWS: Kingston Council Awards New Healthwatch Kingston Contract - 2 October**

Out of 758 recipients, 379 people opened the email.



#### NEWS: Kingston Council awards new Healthwatch Kingston contract



Healthwatch Kingston is the independent champion for people who use health and social care services. As a team of staff and volunteers, we are here to make sure that those running services, put people at the heart of care.

Having been awarded the new contract, we can now continue the great work that we are already doing to give a voice to Kingston residents on their experiences of health and social care services.

We have six priority areas, the first of which is around NHS and social care transformation which means we will continue to monitor the commissioning, provision and transformation of NHS and social care in Kingston and the South West London Integrated Care System.

Secondly, we will continue to address health inequalities, in particular the health and care needs of women, neurodiverse people, and people with long term medical conditions.

We will continue to support meaningful engagement with local people with learning disabilities and we also have a keen focus on mental health, young people and safeguarding.

#### Our Healthwatch Kingston Chief Executive Officer, Stephen Bitti said:

"Over the past six and a half years Healthwatch Kingston has demonstrated the power of public feedback in helping the health and care system understand what is working, spot issues and think about how things can be better in the future. Services are facing unprecedented challenges and we look ferward to collecting further experiences from everyone in our community, giving local people a voice to help shape increvements in access to and the quality of care."

### Our Healthwatch Kingston Chair, Dr Liz Meerabeau said:

"We are pleased that Kingston Council have shown confidence in our work by renewing our contract after a rigorous tendering process. We are critical friends to a wide range of organisations in Kingston, and look forward to maintaining these fruitful relationships and forging new ones."

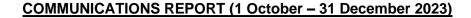
You can find out more information about the work of Healthwatch Kingston by visiting our website at <a href="https://www.healthwatchkingston.org.uk">www.healthwatchkingston.org.uk</a>. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

We look forward to continuing our work with residents and partners in Kingston for many years to come. Please get in touch if you would like to share any experiences with us, or if you need any help with your health and social care needs.











Healthwatch Kingston E-News Update - 12
October 2023 – Making Safeguarding Personal
Report

Out of 755 recipients, 363 people opened the email.





# **Healthwatch Kingston E-News Update - 2 November**

Out of 757 recipients, 367 people opened the email.

Article links performed at follows:

- 1. Open Meeting 55
- 2. Virtual wards one year on 18
- 3. Adult Social care 17
- 4. Cost of living 15
- Safeguarding Conference 14
- MSP Report 4
- 7. Care Workforce Wellbeing 2



#### Dear Healthwatchers!

In this newsletter we invite you to our Open Meeting taking place next Tuesday 7 November, online. The meeting will focus on Social Care. We are also sharing a Cost of Living survey which is being run by Kingston Council - please have your say

Healthwatch Kingston invites you to our Virtual Wards one year on event, to see how Kingston Hospital have been getting on with this new initiative. You are also invited to the London Safeguarding Adult's Board Conference 2023 with events taking place each day between 20 - 24 November.

If you haven't already seen them, we also provide links to two of our recently published reports on Care Workforce Wellbeing and Making Safeguarding Personal.

#### **Healthwatch Kingston Open Meeting -**Tuesday 7 November

We invite you to join our next Open Meeting which will focus on Social Care.

12.00 - Welcome and introductions - Stephen Bitti. CEO Healthwatch Kingston 12.15 - Update on RBK Adult Social Care developments and Q&A - Sam Morrison, RBK Interim Director of Adult Social Care 13.00 - Cost of Living Crisis and Q&A - Emma Crowe, RBK Communications Lead

13.30 - Lunch break 14.00 - Update on work of Kingston Safeguarding Adults Board and Q&A - Nicola Browniohr Chair, Kingston Safeguarding Adults Board 14,45 - Wrap up - Stephen Bitti

15.00 - Close

#### Read more.

#### All About: Adult Social Care

Do you or a loved one need help with social care? Read this article to find out answers to key questions about who can access adult social

Read more

# **Kingston Residents Cost of Living**

We know this is a challenging time with increasing costs for everyone. Kingston Council is working closely with a range of community organisations to provide as much support as possible. Complete the survey to let them know how you are being affected.

Take the survey.



## Virtual Wards One Year On Event

Healthwatch Kingston will be joined by staff from Virtual Wards at an event on Tuesday. 21 November at 10 45am.

Read more

# London Safeguarding Adults Board Conference 2023: 20-24 November

Safeguarding is everybody's business. You are invited to join the LSAB Conference taking place during National Adult Safeguarding Awareness Week 2023. This year's conference agenda focusses on how you can safeguard the welfare and wellbeing of yourself and others.

Find out more and how to book

#### Save the date! Enter & View Training 27 November

Healthwatch Kingston will be running Enter & View training on 27 November for anyone interested in becoming an Healthwatch Authorised Representative.

#### Please get in contact with

candy@healthwatchkingston.org.uk by end of Monday, 20 November if you would like to register for the training

#### Care Workforce Wellbeing: Engagement Report 2023

The research for this report was undertaken from August 2022 to March 2023, and builds on a wellbeing survey for care workers undertaken by RBK in late 2021. The views of 102 care workers were gathered by HWK through a survey, meetings and events approximately two thirds worked in care homes, and one third in home

Read the full report and recommendations.

# Making Safeguarding Personal Report 2022-23

Building upon the work of the Healthwatch Kingston Adult Safeguarding Community Reference Group, the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames (RBK) Adult Social Care (ASC) Adult Safeguarding asked Healthwatch Kingston independently to collect feedback from people who have been through the Kingston adult safeguarding process.

This Healthwatch Kingston report provides anonymised feedback shared by local people who have been through experience of the Kingston adult safeguarding process.

Read the full report and recommendations.























# **Healthwatch E-News Update - 14 December** 2023

Out of 742 recipients, 316 people opened the email.

Article links performed at follows:

- 1. Help Rough Sleepers 39
- 2. GP appointment 16
- 3. Services and support 16
- 4. Virtual Wards 5
- Resilience Fund 4
- Mental Health 3

# healthwatch Kingston upon Thames



#### Dear Healthwatchers!

Festive Greetings! It is that time of year again and everyone at Healthwatch Kingston would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Healthwatch Kingston will be closed from 5pm on Friday, 22 December 2023 - 9am on Wednesday, 3 January 2024. We've brought together links to local services and support during this period.

Homelessness is everyone's business - here's how to help rough sleepers

Safeguarding is also 'everyone's business'. If you are concerned about a child or adult at risk, in an emergency call 999 or please report through Kingston Council.

You can also catch up on our Virtual Wards - One Year on 2023 Event.

#### Services and support over the festive period 2023/2024

Healthwatch Kingston will be closed from 5pm on Friday, 22 December 2023 - 9am on Wednesday, 3 January 2024.

We understand this time of year can be difficult. There are a wide range of services available to residents of Kingston to help during this time.

Read more

#### Helping rough sleepers

Rough sleeping is often the most visible sign of homelessness. It is the job of local services to help rough sleepers, especially during the cold winter months. If you notice someone rough sleeping, here's what to do.

Read more.

#### Virtual Wards - One Year on 2023 **Event Recap**

On 21st November Healthwatch Kingston was joined by Dominic Ward (Frailty Lead for Virtual Wards) and Tracey Moore (Chief Operating Officer for Kingston Hospital) for our 'Virtual Wards - One Year on' event. For a list of questions and answers, a video of the full event, and to download the presentation click on the link

Read more.

#### **RBK Community Resilience Fund**

The third and final opportunity to apply for the RBK Community Resilience Fund, opens on 3rd Jan 2024. The fund aims to support voluntary, cultural and community groups to survive the cost of living crisis themselves, strengthening our communities and enabling them to thrive.



#### Looking after your mental health all year round

In a post-pandemic world where the cost-of-living crisis is challenging for many of us, prioritising our mental health and wellbeing is necessary.

One in four people in the UK suffers from a mental health condition. With everything going on in our daily lives, awareness of our mental health and how to care for ourselves or others is essential

#### Find out more.

#### How to get the most out of your GP appointment

Do you struggle to speak to your doctor about your medical concerns? You're not alone. Take a look at our top tips to make the most of your GP appointment.

Most GP appointments are just 10 minutes long. That doesn't give you much time to explain your symptoms, get a diagnosis, discuss a treatment plan, and get your questions answered.

#### Read more.

#### Dates for you diary in January 2024

Healthwatch Kingston Q3 Board Meeting Wednesday 17 January 2024 - 5pm - Online

Healthwatch Kingston's Open Meeting Tuesday, 23 January 2024 - 12pm - Online

















