

# **Location Overview**

# Kingston

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### LOCAL AREA

Kingston Upon Thames, part of the Royal Borough of Kingston Upon Thames is an ancient market town. Within the local area of the Keep and Richmond there are many independent and smaller trading shops and retailers. Kingston is also a thriving market shop town with weekend Farmers' Markets.

A map of the location is available at this link <a href="www.kingston.gov.uk/mapofkingston">www.kingston.gov.uk/mapofkingston</a>

Local life in Kingston upon Thames website is: www.locallife.co.uk/kingstonuponthames

### **LOCAL FACILITIES**

Kingston provides a variety of amenities including, leisure centre, cinema, tennis courts, squash courts, and a basket ball court. The main shopping centre is called the Bentalls shopping arcade. The shopping centre is approximately a twenty minute walk from the Keep. Just out side the Keep there are several stores ranging from a local newsagent, groceries and a fish and chip takeaway.

The Community centre hosts many various activities such as Mums & Tots, Play sessions, and Snr youth club. Community Centre, 29 The Keep, Kingston, KT2 5UA

**Sainburys** 6-12 Eden Road, KT1 1 BU Mon -Wed 0700 -2000 Thu -Fri 0700-2100 Sat -0700-2000 &Sun-1100-1600 **Shell Petrol Station**- 164 Richmond road, Kingston, KT2 5HD

**SPAR Shop** – 100yds from the Keep

Post Box – 200yds from The Keep

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

### **Service Families Accommodation (SFA)**

The Keep is a tri-Service accommodation site, sitting within its own boundaries, There are 200 SFA units in Kingston consisting of flats, houses and maisonettes.

The Keep: Postcodes: KT2 5UF, KT2 5UA, KT2 5UB, KT2 5UD, KT2 5UE, KT2 5UF, KT2 5UG

#### Local accommodation

Kingston Lodge Hotel Kingston

KT2 7NP

www.kingstonlodgehotellondon.co.uk

Tel:0208 5414481

www.chaselodgehotel.com

Hampton Wick, Kingston

Chase Lodge Hotel, 10 Park Road

Tel: 020 89431862

KT1 4DA

Travelodge Hotel Limited 21-23 Old London road Kingston,

KT2 6ND

www.travellogde.co.uk Tel: 08719 846241 White Hart Hotel, High Street Hampton Week. Kingston KT1 4DA

www.whitehearthotel.com

Tel: 020 89771786

#### **TRAVEL**

By car: M4 to The Keep

- Head west on M4 junction 3, take the A312 exit to Hayes
- At the roundabout take the M4 ramp to Central London
- At Chiswick roundabout take the 5<sup>th</sup> exit onto Chiswick high road A205
- Continue to follow A205 until you come to Kew road
- Turn left at Kew gardens B353
- Turn left at The star and garter hill B353
- Continue onto Petersham Road A307
- Turn left at Kings road
- Turn left at The Keep

For all Visitors and new arrivals it is recommended that you check the transport for London Website:

www.tfi.gov.uk

This website will link to bus, tube train maps, waterway services travel directions (including an interactive real time planner) information on parking, congestion charge, emissions charging as well as disabled drivers permits discounts. This site will also hold information on future service charges and peak times travel advice during the 2012 Olympics. See link below for essential information on Oyster cards.

http://www.tfi.gov.uk/tickets14386.aspxx - You can get further discount on tube travel if you have an Armed Forces Railcard – you will need to visit a station in person to register this.

By train: Kingston Railway Station, Wood street, Kingston Upon Thames KT11UJ. Approximately 1.5 Miles from the SFA.

National Rail Enquiries – for times and information call 08457 484950 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

Taxi: Surrey car service, Gibbon Road, Kingston Upon Thames KT2 6AE

Tel: 020 84810033

## **SCHOOLS AND CHILDCARE**

Lachmere School (3-11yrs) Tel: 02085467181 www.latchmerej.kingston.sch.uk/

Chessington Community College (11-18yrs) Tel: 02089741156/7 www.kingston.gov.uk

Coombe Boys School (11-18yrs) Tel: 02089491537 www.kingston.gov.uk

Coombe Girls School (11-18yrs) Tel: 02089429481 www.kingston.gov.uk

## **Families Information Service**

Tel: 020 8547 6582 Email: fis@rbk.kingston.gov.uk

Applications for school places are made through the Local Education Authority (LEA).
The LEA for Kingston is School Admissions, Guildhall 2, Kingston Upon Thames KT1 1EU
Tel: 02085474610

• Ofsted reports can be accessed at www.ofsted.gov.uk

### **USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS**

| These are the main local contact details. For any other local or unit contact numbers please |            |                   |
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| call the HIVE on 01753 832285  |            |                   |
|  | Mil        | Civ               |
| Army Welfare Service   | 94253 5198 | 01753 862307      |
| Housing Allocations Service Centre   |            | 0800 1696322 Opt1 |
| Modern Housing Solutions (MHS)   |            | 0800 707 6000     |
| Defence Community Police Officers  |            | 07500 991011      |
| (DCPO)   |            | 07920 070675      |

This is a brief overview of the area and facilities available at Kingston. The HIVE holds further information and will research information on your behalf.