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## A new project to tackle hate crime... come and find out more!

**Metropolitan Police Service  
Community Engagement  
Introducing a new drop in  
session at the ADKC Centre  
Tuesday, 5th July,  
09:30 - 13:30**

Kensington & Chelsea  
Hate Crime Liaison Officer,  
Alexander Bekker from  
the Metropolitan Police  
Service will be attending  
the ADKC Centre to discuss  
and address your questions  
and concerns around Hate  
Crime.

**Promoting public  
confidence  
and building  
relationships in the  
community**

Disability Hate Crime is  
hugely underreported.  
Working together with you,  
RBKC Council and other  
organisations we can put a  
stop to abuse.

**At the workshop session I will  
discuss a variety of issues  
with you, such as:**

- What is Hate Crime?
- How To Guide on reporting  
a crime and what happens  
next.
- Available support during  
the police or court process.
- Advice on dealing with  
neighbour disputes.
- Issues around Notting Hill  
Carnival.
- What the Metropolitan  
Police Service is doing to  
stop abuse.

# Editor's word

Jamie Renton



Welcome to the summer issue of Newsflash

With this issue, you should find an invitation to our Kensington and Chelsea Disabled People's Question Time event on 14th July (if you haven't received this, please let us know). This is an opportunity for local disabled people to ask questions to a panel of local politicians and decision makers. We're organising it in response to requests from some of our members, who were concerned about some of the decisions being made about us as disabled

people, both locally and nationally.

This is your chance to talk to the people with power around the borough. Please make use of it!

The next issue should be with you in the late summer.

**Jamie Renton**  
Chief Executive

## Regular Events

### ADKC Wheelchair Hire

Short term loans at reasonable prices. £5 per day or £25 for a whole week (7 days).

### Internet Café:

Every Friday at ADKC Centre 10am-1pm FREE  
Come meet other ADKC members and surf the net

### ADKC Photo Service:

Only £3 for four passport-size photos

### Massage and Reflexology:

At the ADKC Centre on Wednesday and Friday £20/£15 Unwaged. Please note that if you fail to turn up to your appointment or cancel it 48 hours or less before the time it is due, you will be liable for the full cost of the appointment. *Please contact Eric at ADKC for prices and to book a session.*

**Please contact ADKC on 020 8960 8888 for more info on any of these activities.**



At the ADKC Internet Cafe

## Personal Independence Payment (PIP) and Qualifying for Accessible Transport...

### Do you qualify for a Disabled Parking Person's Parking Badge or Taxi card without a mobility assessment?

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) has replaced Disability Living Allowance (DLA) as the benefit to claim towards the extra costs of living independently if you are disabled. The DWP have been writing to people aged 16-64 telling them when their DLA is ending and that they can claim PIP instead.

People who received the higher rate mobility component of DLA were automatically entitled to accessible transport schemes such as the Blue and Purple Badge scheme for disabled drivers/car users, help with the cost of taxi

fares – the Taxi card Scheme, or the Disabled Person's Freedom Pass. All that was needed was proof of your DLA entitlement to be sent with your application, and you did not need to have a mobility assessment.

People with mobility problems who receive PIP may be awarded the mobility component at either the Standard Rate or the Enhanced Rate. To qualify automatically for Disabled People's Parking Badges or accessible transport schemes, people receiving PIP need to have been awarded 8 points or

more for physical problems moving around in their PIP assessment, and unable to walk more than 50 metres.

You can still apply, even if you do not have automatic qualification, to request application packs, call the Council's Accessible Transport Scheme on 020 7361 2390.

**Call Marian at ADKC on 020 8960 8888 to book an appointment for help with your application once you have your form/s.**

## Time to Say Goodbye

Hi Guys,

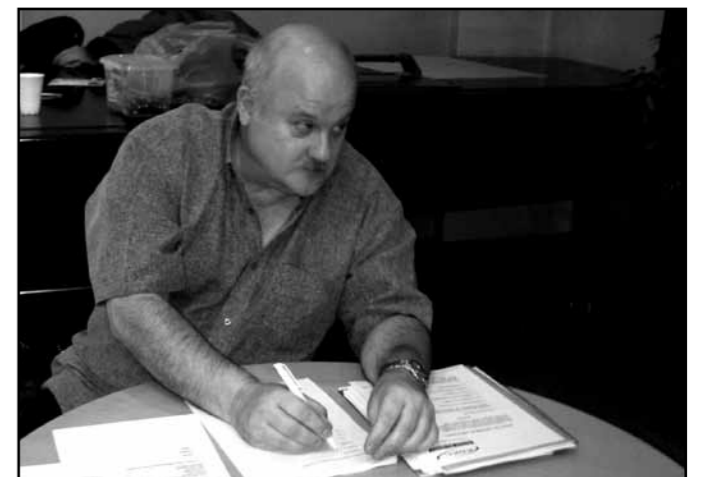
I joined ADKC in 1998 after working something like 28 years for the same company at various locations in the City and Mayfair. Working in North Kensington was certainly a culture change but I have enjoyed every minute of it (apart from the unblocking of toilets at the Centre when the need arises). The time has now come to put me out to stud or at least grass! Therefore, I will retire from ADKC at the end of July (yes, I know I do not look old enough).

Over the years I have made many friends from all walks of life including Councillors,

Borough officers, staff from other voluntary organisations and many of our members. I will miss every one of them.

The staff that I have worked with over the years, I have found to be genuine and caring and I would not change any of them for the 'wide boys' I worked with in the City. I do not want to single out anyone as they are all absolutely marvellous.

I will miss everyone immensely but in my



retirement I will be re-energised to visit many City locations with which I have a passion. My other passion is cooking, so I will probably put on weight and waddle into the centre over the years to come.

Thank you everyone for being such good friends.

Eric

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# ADKC Positive Rights Action Group (PRAG)

Are you interested in joining a group that campaigns for equal rights for disabled people?



The PRAG group meet at ADKC every month to campaign about issues that are important to disabled people.

They invite guest speakers in to the meetings, contribute to local and national campaigns and organise campaigns of their own.

## ***For more information:***

Talk to Jamie at ADKC on 020 8960 8888 or email [adkc@adkc.org.uk](mailto:adkc@adkc.org.uk)

## ***Next meeting:***

Monday 25 July, 11am-1pm

## ***At:***

The ADKC Centre  
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