

The Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy

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The Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy provides chaplains from a variety of faiths on the Greenwich Peninsula: at The O2, on the construction sites, and for any individual or organisation working on the Peninsula.

Chaplains visit the different venues in The O2, usually weekly, to join in conversations about whatever people want to talk about, but above all to listen and to keep confidences. For anything said to a chaplain will only be shared with someone else with their permission.

The chaplains' role is not to persuade anyone of the truth of any particular religion - but if anyone wants to talk about religion then the chaplain will of course be very happy to do so.

Messages can be left for chaplains on 020 8853 1336. The answering machine on this number is answered daily. Or email: info@greenwich-peninsula-chaplaincy.org.uk

The multifaith chaplains' team working at The O2 and elsewhere on the Greenwich Peninsula. (The Rev'd Nancy Odunewu and Mr. Harbhajan Singh were absent when the photograph was taken).

Chaplains from the team also visit the Laing O'Rourke construction site in the Greenwich Millennium Village and the food refinery on the western side of the Peninsula

Until July 2007 the chaplaincy provided chaplains every day from Monday to Friday on the construction site inside The O2. In the canteens and around the site chaplains were available for conversation with construction workers.

A high point of the year was the charity collection day in February 2007. £400 was raised for Elderly People's Advocacy in Greenwich and the Salvation Army's holidays for children at risk. The construction company, Sir Robert McAlpine, matched the construction workers' donations.

The team of chaplains which worked on the construction site from 2005 to July 2007. (The Rev'd Martyn Coe was absent when the photograph was taken).

A date for your diary

The Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy Steering Group, the charitable trust which governs the work of the chaplaincy, holds occasional conferences in order to report on its work and to consult with the local community and local faith communities on plans for the future. The next consultative conference will be on **Wednesday 5th March 2008**. We shall be distributing invitations in the new year; and you will also find an invitation on our website. In the meantime, please put the date in your diary.

Future projects

Chaplaincy on the construction sites which will open on the Greenwich Peninsula next year; and a building to manage for the work of the chaplaincy, the local faith communities, and community development.

The chaplains

For biographies please see the website:

www.greenwich-peninsula-chaplaincy.org.uk

Mr. Nigel Anderson

Mrs. Davinder Kaur Babraa

Sheikh Ali Hassan Barakat

The Rev'd Derek Clacey

The Rev'd Martyn Coe

The Rev'd Michael Dent

The Rev'd Cynthia Finnerty

Capt. Eileen Halliday

The Rev'd Nancy Odunewu

Mr. Harbhajan Singh

The Rev'd Malcolm Torry

The Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy Steering Group is grateful to:

The volunteer chaplains, for the many hours of hard work which they put in on behalf of the chaplaincy;

Members of our Council of Reference: a group of religious leaders with whom the steering group consults;

Meridian Delta Ltd., English Partnerships, Anschutz Entertainment Group, Greenwich Borough Council, Greenwich Local Labour and Business, Greenwich Multi Faith Forum, the borough's Ecumenical Borough Deans, Meridian Delta Ltd., Sir Robert McAlpine, Laing O'Rourke, McNicholas, and the managements of the restaurants, bars and other venues in the entertainment district in The O2, for all the help which they have given;

The Community Development Foundation and local faith communities for funding the chaplaincy.

Quoting from this newsletter

We are happy for people to quote from this newsletter provided the quotation is accompanied by a note to say that the material was first published in the newsletter of the Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy Steering Group.

The Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy Steering Group

The chaplaincy is managed by the Greenwich Peninsula Chaplaincy Steering Group which is a registered charity, no. 1107892. The trustees are: Mr. Saeed Ahmad, Mr. Peyman Beheshti, the Rev'd Elaine Cranmer (treasurer), Rabbi Tony Hammond, the Rev'd Harry Lanham, the Rev'd Mike Leader (Chair), The Rev'd Christopher Moody, Ms Kuheli Mookerjee, Cllr Jagir Sekhon, and the Rev'd Jim Teeling.

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The next newsletter

We plan to publish a longer newsletter next month.