



Charity Walk for Peace

NATIONAL PRE-CHARITY WALK RECEPTION

In association of with the MAYOR of MERTON

FRIDAY, 30th JULY 2021

We cordially invite you to our

NATIONAL PRE-CHARITY WALK RECEPTION

Friday, 30th July 2021

The Tahir Hall, Baitul Futuh Mosque Complex,
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6pm Welcome
6.30pm Formal Session
7.30pm Dinner
9pm Close



A wonderful opportunity to work together in the local community, for the local community, and raise funds for deserving causes.

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Pre-Charity Walk for Peace Reception Dinner
Friday 30th July 2021

Event Report

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The Ahmadiyya Muslim Elders Association UK hosted the annual national pre-Charity Walk for Peace Reception dinner on Friday 30th July 2021 in the Tahir Hall, Baitul Futuh Mosque Complex, Morden, Surrey. The event was co-hosted by the Mayor of Merton.

The National Reception is the foundation event for the various Charity Walk for Peace programmes throughout the year including regional receptions; charity walks; Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal campaign; and the cheque distribution ceremony at the end of the year. The national walks are scheduled in multiple locations across the UK on Sunday 19th September 2021. Due to the ongoing COVID situation the attendance was limited to the number of guests attending however the social media platforms were used to create the awareness. The event was chaired by the National President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community UK, Mr Rafiq Ahmad Hayat, and commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran.

يَسْأَلُونَكَ مَاذَا يُنْفِقُونَ ۗ قُلْ مَا أَنْفَقْتُمْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَلِلْوَالِدَيْنِ وَالْأَقْرَبِينَ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَابْنِ السَّبِيلِ ۗ وَمَا تَفْعَلُوا مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ بِهِ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٢١٦﴾

Translation: They ask thee what they shall spend. Say: 'Whatever of good and abundant wealth you spend should be for parents and near relatives and orphans and the needy and the wayfarer. And whatever good you do, surely Allah knows it well.'

Holy Qu'ran: Chapter 2, verse 216

The host of the event – Dr Ch Ijaz Ur Rehman
President – Ahmadiyya Muslim Elders Association UK

The events' host was the Ahmadiyya Muslim Elders Association UK and the President, Dr Ijaz Ur Rehman, delivered the welcome address.



Special Guests

Cllr Michael Brunt - The Worshipful the Mayor of Merton

We now welcome the co-host of today's event, The Worshipful the Mayor of Merton Cllr Michael Brunt. The Deputy Mayor, Cllr Edith Macauley MBE, has also very kindly joined us today and we welcome them both.

We are honored to have you at the reception this evening and I welcome His Worshipful the Mayor of Merton to please address us.



Special Guests

Cllr Trish Fivey - The Worshipful the Mayor of Sutton

I would now like to introduce Cllr Trish Fivey the Mayor of Sutton. It is a privilege to have you and your deputy Cllr Annie Moral at our reception this evening and I welcome you to say a few words.



Special Guests

Cllr Hina Bokhari – Member of the London Assembly

I now have the pleasure of introducing our next speaker:

Cllr Hina Bokhari - Hina was elected to the London Assembly in 2021 and also serves as a Merton Borough Councilor.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank her for joining us this evening and request her to say a few words.



Special Guests

We also have amongst us this evening some dear friends of the community I can see:

Leader of Merton Council, Cllr Mark Allison

Cllr Agatha Akygína

Cllr Daniel Holden

Cllr Stephen Alambritis MBE, Former leader of Merton Council

Cllr Peter Southgate

Cllr Helena Dollimore

Cllr Sunita Gordon

Cllr Nick Prescott - Leader of the Runnymede Council

Cllr Annie Moral, Deputy Mayor - Sutton

Anil Chauhan, RAF Squadron Leader

Cllr Edith Macauley, Deputy Mayor Merton

Ashok Chauhan, Warrant Officer, British Army

Thank you all once again for honouring us with your presence.

Special Guests

Lt Cdr Russell Haines, Royal Navy

Our next speaker who has joined us today from his busy schedule is Lt Cdr Russell Haines from the Royal Navy.

Russell is the regional engagement manager for London and the SE and works to raise awareness of the Royal Navy to the general population and especially under-represented groups.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to him and request that he delivers his message to the audience this evening.



Chair – Rafiq Ahmad Hayat
National President – Ahmadiyya Muslim Association UK

The National President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association UK delivered the keynote address.



Special Message sent in absentia
Siobhain McDonagh – MP Mitcham & Morden

"I am sorry that I am unable to join you for this evening's reception ahead of the Charity Walk for Peace. I hope, and am certain that you will have a wonderful evening.

I wish all of you who will be participating in the walk on September 19th the greatest of success, both on the day and in all of your fundraising efforts for so many great causes.

You make an enormous contribution to our entire community - a contribution that has never been so apparent or so badly needed as over the past 18 months - and for which I am eternally grateful."



Siobhain attending our reception during 2018.

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