

Outside body: Runnymede Access Liaison Group
Councillors: Sam Jenkins and Margaret Harnden

Runnymede Access Liaison Group (RALG) was originally set up in 1991 as an advisory body to Runnymede Borough Council to suggest how the needs of people with disabilities might be best met within the Borough. RALG also acts as a channel of advice to individual residents and community groups on how to access services and facilities for people with disabilities.

Below is a summary of RALG's activities since May 2022 which we have been involved with. Please note that this list is not exhaustive:

- RALG conducted an Accessibility Assessment around Egham town centre, starting at the top of the High Street, walking towards the King John statue before turning right and walking along Church Road, completing the loop at Magna Square. A number of significant accessibility problems were reported to Surrey Highways.
- RALG members were involved with public discussions around accessibility for blue badge parkers at Waitrose in Egham.
- RALG created a new website to promote its work for local people with disabilities. The website was designed in a bespoke manner, complete with alttags, colours and fonts that are accessible for those who use screenreaders and those who are hard-of-sight. The website is www.ralgcomms.wixsite.com/ralg
- RALG is currently in the early stages of planning its bi-annual Accessibility Achievement Awards. The intended date for this event is September 2023. It will be the first time that this event has been held since Covid. If you know an inspirational person with a disability who should be celebrated, please use this link to submit a nomination: [CLICK HERE](#)

We are really enjoying our work with Runnymede Access Liaison Group and would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the RALG Committee for all that they do for residents in our Borough with disabilities.