Bank holiday for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral

World news story

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Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II: condolence book in Brussels

World news story

Following the death of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the British Embassy has opened a condolence book for the public in Brussels.



For all those who wish to pay their respects in person to Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the British Embassy Brussels has opened a condolence book at the UK Ambassadorial Residence:

17 Rue Ducale 1000, Brussels

The condolence book will be open between 9am to 6pm every working day up to and including the day of the funeral on 19 September 2022.

You will be able to leave flowers if you wish, but please do not bring large or bulky items with you. Visitors will be subject to security checks.

Alternatively, we invite you to offer your condolences online. A condolence facility is available on the Royal website www.royal.uk.

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<u>Accessibility arrangements for Her Majesty The Queen's Lying-in-State</u>



• Accessible queueing scheme for disabled, D/deaf and neurodiverse people and people with long-term health conditions and mobility issues

• Step-free access and British Sign Language interpreters to help ensure people who need accessibility arrangements can pay their respects

<u>Accessibility arrangements</u> include:

- Step-free access along the whole route;
- Arrangements and facilities signposted along the length of the route;
- Guidance and information available in alternate formats including HTML compatible with screenreaders and with the ability to increase text size;
- A separate accessible route for people unable to stand for long periods, or who have specific accessibility requirements (either visible or nonvisible disabilities) — more detail below;
- Assistance dogs permitted throughout the route, including in Westminster Hall;
- British Sign Language (BSL) interpreters available at the accessible queue kiosk:
- TfL have worked with organisers to integrate accessible and step-free stations into route planning;
- Portable toilets and accessible portable toilets available throughout the route;
- All marshals and volunteers have received disability awareness training to signpost to nearest facilities, including nearby changing places toilets in Victoria Station and Guy's Hospital;
- Queue marshals monitoring the queue to identify guests with accessibility needs or those otherwise experiencing difficulty, to provide additional support.

Separate accessible route

An accessible queue will be open to people who have specific accessibility requirements or who are unable to stand for long periods of time. The scheme will enable people with specific needs to be admitted in the next available entry slot for the Lying-in-State. When it is time for your visit, you can join the accessible queue.

Disabled people who need to join the separate, accessible queue, should travel to a kiosk located outside Tate Britain, where accessible facilities — including accessible toilets, a water point, and BSL interpreters — will be available. If you require this queue, you may be accompanied by one carer or companion.

Capacity for each time slot will be capped. People can use the space in the Tate Britain which has seating, toilets and 'quiet space' areas while waiting for the next slot to open. We cannot guarantee everyone seeking a place in the accessible queue will be given access to the Lying-in-State because of overall capacity limits.

The route from the kiosk to Westminster Hall is approximately 800 metres and is step-free for people with mobility needs. Accessible toilets will also be provided on the route from the Tate Britain to Westminster Hall in Victoria Park South. Trained marshals and volunteers will be on hand to provide

support to people travelling to the Lying-in-State.

<u>British Sign Language video: Accessibility arrangements for Her Majesty The Queen's Lying-in-State</u>

Further information

- Time slots cannot be booked in advance.
- This guidance is also available in <u>easy read format</u> (PDF, 3.05 MB, 9 pages)

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BSL video added

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The information in the 'separate accessible route' section has been updated: "If you require this queue, you may be accompanied by one carer or companion."

3. 16 September 2022

Accessibility arrangements for Her Majesty The Queen's Lying-in-State: easy read has been added.

4. 15 September 2022

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Ceremonial and events guidance following the death of Her Majesty The Queen

Last updated: 19 September 2022

London

06:30

Lying-in-State will officially close.

11:00

The state funeral for Her Majesty The Queen will commence. At the close of the service the last post will sound and national silence will be marked.

Following the service the Coffin will be processed to Wellington Arch, where the Royal hearse will then depart for Windsor.

16:00

The service at St George's Chapel, Windsor, will begin.

19:30

Private burial, King VI Memorial Chapel.

Other Events

The following public events are taking place in towns and cities across the UK during the period of National Mourning. For more information about local events in your area please check your local authority's website.

Moments of Reflection — Sunday 18 September, 8pm

Antrim

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council will join in a National Moment of Reflection on Sunday 18 September with candle-light services at Antrim Castle Gardens and Mossley Mill.

Blackpool

The Blackpool Tower Illuminations- which have been changed to red, white and blue throughout the period of mourning in tribute to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II — will turn off for the Moment of Reflection at 8pm. You can

find more information here.

Cheltenham

A Moment of Reflection will be held outside Cheltenham's Municipal Office, led by the Mayor of Cheltenham, at 8pm on Sunday 18 September. For more details please <u>visit the Cheltenham Borough Council website</u>

Luton

The National Moment of Reflection will be observed in a special event at 7.30pm on the steps of Luton Town Hall to commemorate the life and reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Please <u>visit the Council's website for more details</u>.

Southend

In the City of Southend-on-Sea, the Mayor will lead a moment of silent reflection at 8pm on Sunday 18 September, to reflect on a lifetime of service which Her Majesty devoted to the United Kingdom, the Realms and Territories and the Commonwealth. For more details please visit the Southend-on-Sea website

Stoke-on-Trent

Stoke-on-Trent will hold a commemoration service on the eve of the funeral, at 6.30pm on Sunday 18 September at Stoke Minster. It will be followed by the observation of the national moment of reflection at Stoke Cenotaph at 8pm. For more details please <u>visit the Stoke-on-Trent council website</u>.

Swindon

The National Moment of Reflection will be observed on Sunday, 18 September with a short service on the steps of Swindon's Town Hall. Members of the public are asked to arrive by 7.45pm for the service to begin at 7.55pm. For more information, please visit the Council's website.

Ceremonial events

Northern Ireland

Belfast

The state funeral of Queen Elizabeth II will be broadcast live on a big screen in the grounds of Belfast City Hall.

Coleraine

Coleraine Town Hall will broadcast the National Moment of Reflection on Sunday 18 September. On Monday they will also show the State Funeral.

Lisburn

The State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II streamed from Westminster Abbey will be shown on the screen in Lisburn City Centre on Monday 19 September from 10.00am.

Scotland

Edinburgh

Edinburgh Council will be screening the State Funeral on a big screen in Holyrood Park in front of the Palace of Holyrood House. More information can be <u>found on the council's website</u>.

Scottish Canals

In partnership with The Church of Scotland, Falkirk Council will hold a service of reflection at the Kelpies this Sunday 18th September 2022 at 7.30pm. Further details can be <u>found on their Facebook page</u>.

East of England

Great Yarmouth

Great Yarmouth Borough Council will hold a civic service of thanksgiving and remembrance for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at 6pm on Sunday 18 September at Great Yarmouth Minster. For further information visit the Council's website.

Ipswich

A big screen will be showing the funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II on the Cornhill, Ipswich on Monday 19 September.

The screening of the funeral at Westminster Abbey will start at 10am. You can find further information on the council website.

Norwich

The funeral of HM The Queen will be live streamed in the Nave of Norwich Cathedral. All are welcome to watch the live broadcast from 9am, free of charge. No ticket is required. You can <u>find more information on the</u> Cathedral website.

Norwich Theatre Royal will also broadcast the live coverage of the State Funeral of HM The Queen, free of charge. Please book tickets in advance here.

Midlands

Bedford

Bedford Borough Council will be holding a public screening of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's funeral on Monday 19 September at Bedford Corn Exchange. Residents must book their place to watch the proceedings in advance. For further information <u>visit the Bedford Borough council's website</u>.

Birmingham

The State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be shown on a big screen in Centenary Square on Monday 19 September. For further information visit the Birmingham council's website.

Coventry

The State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be screened live in Coventry city centre on Monday 19 September. A large screen is to be set up in University Square — between the Cathedral steps and Coventry University — to help people watch the 11am service and pay their respects. For further information visit the Coventry council's website.

Chasetown

There will be a minute's silence and outdoor vigil at the Memorial Park at 8pm, Chasetown. You can <u>find more information can be found on the Cathedral's</u> website.

Lincoln

The grounds of Lincoln Castle will remain open and a large screen will be displaying the funeral for those wishing to pay their respects. Please check local information for details.

Nottingham

A multi-faith event remembering Queen Elizabeth II will take place in the Old Market Square from 7pm, incorporating the national Moment of Reflection at 8pm. More information can be found on the <u>Council's website</u>.

Stoke-on-Trent

The City of Stoke-on-Trent Council will be holding a service of commemoration (with procession) for Her Majesty The Queen at 6.30pm on Sunday 18 September at Stoke Minster. For further information <u>visit the Stoke-on-Trent council's website</u>.

Wolverhampton

A screening of the State Funeral will take place on Monday at Queen's Square. <u>Visit the council's website for further information</u>.

North East

Durham

Durham Cathedral will hold a special Service of Reflection to give thanks for Her Majesty The Queen's life. This event will be ticketed, and the service will also be live streamed on Durham Cathedral's Facebook page. For further information, please visit Durham Cathedral's website.

The National Moment of Reflection will be marked with an event at 8.00pm on Sunday 18 September in Durham Market Place. More <u>details are on the council's</u> website.

Newcastle upon Tyne

Live coverage of the State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be shown on a screen in Old Eldon Square, Newcastle on Monday 19 September. Further information on the screening can be found on the council's website.

North Tyneside

North Tyneside Council will hold a service a service of remembrance to commemorate the distinguished service of Her Majesty The Queen at 6pm on Sunday 18 September at the Christ Church in North Shields. For further information visit the North Tyneside council's website.

North West

Blackpool

A moment of reflection for Her late Majesty The Queen by the Blackpool Standard Bearers will take place at 11.00am, at the Fylde Memorial Arboretum on Moor Park Ave. Please refer to the Council's social media and website.

Carlisle

A live screening of the State Funeral will be shown on a big screen in Carlisle's Bitts Park on Monday 19 September. You can <u>find further</u> information on the council's website.

Chester

Church services will take place on various dates across Chester, including at Chester Cathedral, Neston Parish, St Thomas Ellesmere Port and St Chad's Winsford. For further information visit the Chester council's website.

Manchester

On Monday 19 September, big screens will show coverage of the State Funeral at three locations from 9am: Cathedral Gardens, Exchange Square and inside Manchester Cathedral. Each site will be open to the public without the

need for tickets. More information can be found here.

South

Reading

Live coverage of the State Funeral and procession to Windsor will be shown in Reading's Forbury Gardens. Further information can be <u>found on the Visit</u>
<u>Reading website</u>.

Winchester

On Monday 19 September, a screening of the State Funeral will be held at 11am, with doors opening at 9am. The day will end with a 'Closing Act of Remembrance' at 7.30pm. Details for Monday can be found on the Cathedral's website.

South East

Hastings

The State Funeral of Her Majesty The Queen on Monday 19 September will be shown on a big screen in Alexandra Park on the top lawn (nearest entrance is in Dordrecht Way).

Hastings Borough Council is organising the event, in partnership with Love Hastings, the Business Improvement District for Hastings. <u>Visit the council's website</u> for more details

Hatfield

On Monday 19 September from 10.00am, Hatfield Park will be showing live coverage of the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II on a large screen in Palace Green outside the Old Palace. Please refer to the <u>website</u> for more details.

South West

Bristol

Bristol Cathedral will offer a ticketed screening of the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II. Please check Bristol Cathedral's website for further information.

Exeter

The funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Monday 19 September is being screened at Northernhay Gardens and Sandy Park at the Exeter City Football Club. Further details are available at Exeter City Council's website.

Plymouth

Her Majesty's funeral will be screened on Monday 19 September at the Lyric Theatre. More information can be found on the Plymouth council website.

Salisbury

Salisbury Cathedral will be live streaming the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Monday 19 September at 11:00. The Funeral service will be shown on a large screen and seating will be available in the Nave. No booking is required. For more details, visit <u>Salisbury Cathedral's website</u>.

Truro

Truro City Council, working with Truro Cathedral, has arranged for a large screen to be placed within Truro Cathedral on the day of the State Funeral for those wishing to attend a public viewing. Further information can be <u>found on Truro City Council's website</u>.

South Yorkshire

Sheffield

Sheffield Cathedral will hold a commemorative service on Sunday 18 September at 6pm, with a National Moment of Reflection at 8pm. The service will also be shown on a large screen outside the cathedral on the forecourt, and streamed on the Cathedral's Facebook and YouTube pages. Head to the Cathedral's website for more details.

Sheffield Cathedral will also be screening the funeral of The Queen inside and outside the Cathedral. The Cathedral doors will open from 8:30am with morning prayer at 8:45am. Please refer online for more details.

West Yorkshire

Bradford

Bradford Cathedral will be screening the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Monday 19 September. Further details are available on Bradford Cathedral's website.

Leeds

Live coverage of the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be shown on Leeds Big Screen in Millennium Square on Monday 19 September between 10am — 6pm (times subject to confirmation of TV broadcast schedules). Further details are available on the Leeds City Council website.

<u>Ceremonial and events guidance</u> <u>following the death of Her Majesty The</u> <u>Queen For Thursday 15 September 2022.</u>

London

Her Majesty's Lying-in-State at the Palace of Westminster is now formally open. You can view guidance on the event here. Details of accessibility arrangements are available here.

International

15:00

The UN General Assembly will convene a special session in New York paying tribute to The Queen. You can view the proceedings here.

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There will be a Civic Service at Bradford Cathedral on Sunday 18 September. The Cathedral will also be screening the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Monday 19 September. Further details are available on Bradford Cathedral's website.

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Newcastle on Tyne

Live coverage of the state funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be shown on a screen in Old Eldon Square, Newcastle on Monday 19 September. Further information on the screening can be found on the <u>council's website</u>. A Service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will take place at 4pm the same day. Further information on the service can be found on Newcastle Cathedral's website.

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North Tyneside Council will hold a service a service of remembrance to commemorate the distinguished service of Her Majesty The Queen at 6pm on Sunday 18 September at the Christ Church in North Shields. For further information visit the council's website.

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West Northamptonshire

West Northamptonshire Council will be holding a remembrance service for Her Majesty The Queen at 11am on Sunday 18 September at All Saints Church, Northampton. For further information visit the <u>council's website</u>.

A service of commemoration for Her Majesty The Queen at 3.30pm on Sunday 18

September at St Peter and St Paul's Church in Market Place, Kettering. For further information visit the <u>council's website</u>.

York

The City of York Council will hold a service a service of commemoration for Her Majesty The Queen (with a respectful procession of City of York Council members and the civic party, between York Mansion House and York Minster) at 4pm on Sunday 18 September at York Minster. For further information visit the council's website.