



## Accessibility Guide for King's College

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**Contact for accessibility enquiries: Visitor Services Administrator**



### Welcome

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We are a member of the Visitor Attraction Quality Assurance Scheme.

King's College Chapel is accessible to wheelchair users.

## At a Glance

### Level Access

- The main entrance has step free access and a handrail. There is no lift. There is a ramp.
- There is level access from the main entrance to:
  - Chapel
  - College Grounds

### Access with steps

- There are steps into King's College Visitor Centre. There is a portable wheelchair ramp available for access.
- Inside the Chapel there are steps into the side chapels.



### Visual

- Some parts of the venue have low lighting.

### General

- We have a concessionary rate for disabled visitors.
- Staff are available during opening hours.
- We have emergency evacuation procedures for disabled visitors.

## Getting here

King's Parade  
Cambridge  
Cambridgeshire  
CB2 1ST

### Travel by public transport

- You can get to King's College by bus and train.
- The nearest bus stop is at Drummer Street Bus Station The bus stop is 0.50 miles / 62.8 km from King's College .

- The nearest train station is Cambridge. The train station is 1.5 miles / 2.4 km from King's College .

#### *Travel by taxi*

- You can get a taxi with Panther Taxis by calling 01223 715715. The taxi company has a wheelchair accessible vehicle.

#### *Parking*

- There is no on-site parking.
- Car parking information is available here: <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/free-parking-for-blue-badge-holders>
- The closest multi-storey car park is available at the Grand Arcade shopping Centre.

## Arrival

#### *Path to main entrance*

- From the street to the main entrance, there is level access.
- The path is 1600mm wide, or more.

#### *Main entrance*

- The door is 1000.00mm wide.
- The main entrance has step free access.
- This entrance has a handrail.
- The main door is side hung and manual.
- The doors can be fully opened to allow wheelchairs through. Staff members will open the doors fully.



Ramped entrance (South Door – main entrance)

## Getting around inside

### *Visual Impairment - General Information*

- Some parts of the venue have low lighting.

## Things to See and Do

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### Chapel

- From the main entrance to this area, there is level access. There is a permanent ramp. Some display information is low, for wheelchair users. There are seats.
- Virtual tour of the Chapel <http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/chapel/virtual-tour/index.html>  
Free leaflets are available inside the main attraction allowing visitors to follow a self-guided tour.

- The main areas of the Chapel are fully accessible with wide aisles to pass through.
- There is seating located throughout the Chapel for visitors to use. Access from the ante-chapel to the choir area is via an access ramp to the left of the organ screen.
- There is restricted access to the side chapels with entry via a steep worn step.



- Access to the Memorial Chapel is via four uneven steps.



- Access to the exhibition area is via two steps with handrail. The first three rooms of the exhibition have wide openings between rooms. The fourth room is accessed via three steps and a 610mm doorway. Access to the fifth room is via a 610mm doorway.



- The final exhibition room containing information about the stained glass can be accessed from the ante-chapel via a 670mm doorway.

The exhibition area has low lighting but has lit accessible information panels.

### *Shop*

#### *King's College Visitor Centre*

- From the main entrance to the shop, there is 1 step. There is no lift but there is a portable wheelchair ramp.
- The King's College Visitor Centre, on King's Parade opposite the main gate, has limited access due to the historic nature of the building but staff assistance and a ramp are available on request. It is located on a busy street opposite the main attraction.
- Access is via one step and the door width is 840mm.
- Assistance is available on request.
- Access to the rear of the Visitor Centre is via a 740mm corridor.
- The counter is accessible to customers when served from the side.

### **Getting around outside**

#### *College Grounds*

- From the main entrance to the gardens, there is level access.
- Virtual tour of the grounds <http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/visit/virtual-tour/>
- The grounds are accessible to visitors with wide, fairly even, paved paths. The path along the river is largely compressed gravel.
- There is a steep bridge over the river.

### **Customer care support**

- You can hire mobility equipment from Shopmobility by calling (01223) 457452 or (01223) 461858.

#### *Customer care support*

- Staff are available during opening hours.