

WIHW The World Interfaith Harmony Week 2020 Kendal Cumbria UK

WIHW World Interfaith Harmony Week in Kendal and Cumbria 2020 was covered by *The Westmorland Gazette* newspaper.

<https://www.thewestmorlandgazette.co.uk/news/18224334.celebrations-peace-harmony-faiths-world-interfaith-harmony-week-2020/>

Tuesday 4th February 10-12 Event in The Mayors Parlour Kendal Town Hall

The Mayor of Kendal Councillor Alvin Finch invited guests to an event an event to celebrate WIHW. The guests included SLEDP South Lakeland Equality and Diversity Partnership and SLIF South Lakeland Interfaith Forum Committee. Explanations of the role and activities of SLEDP and SLIF were given. Readings and talks were given by representatives from local faiths: Baha'i Faith, Buddhism, Christianity, Islam and Judaism. The event included a talk about the Mayors Parlour. Attendees viewed artefacts held in the Mayors Parlour.

Thursday 6th February

Members of the SLIF Committee had lunch in Kendal with David Hampshire Assistant Director of the national organization the IFN Inter Faith Network of the UK.

<https://www.interfaith.org.uk/>

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WIHW celebration at Milnthorpe Presbytery led by 90 year old retired Roman Catholic Priest Monsignor Francis Slattery. This included an early celebration of his 91st birthday.

Friday 7th February

David Hampshire Assistant Director of the IFN Inter Faith Network of the UK and Jacquetta Gomes Secretary of Buddhist Group of Kendal (Theravada) attended the *Building Resilience Together: Learning from Cumbria's Experience* Conference at Carlisle Racecourse. They are both included as Advisors in the booklet *Religion, Belief and Culture in our Community: Understanding, respecting and valuing the diverse cultures of the United Kingdom*.

<https://www.nationalfirechiefs.org.uk/news/Page-6/focus-on-faith-during-inter-faith-week/216009>