

Respondent profile

- Most responses were from **Warrington** residents; only a small number identified as being from **Halton**.
- The largest age groups represented were **55-64** and **65+**, although there were responses from younger adults aged 16-24, 25-34 and 35-44.

Key Findings

1. Strong support for an evening bereavement café

Among Warrington respondents, the majority indicated they would attend a 7 pm evening bereavement café. Only a minority said they would not attend.

Interpretation:

There appears to be clear demand for evening provision.

Evening sessions may help people who are working during the day or have daytime caring responsibilities.

2. Central Warrington is the preferred location

When asked about suitable locations, Central Warrington was overwhelmingly the most popular choice. Fewer preferred East Warrington, with very few choosing other areas.

Recommendation:

Pilot any new evening café in a central, easily accessible venue before considering expansion to other locations.

3. Childcare support would benefit some people

Responses suggest that childcare provision would help a proportion of attendees, although it is not essential for everyone. Several respondents indicated they would value childcare support, particularly if it was available within the same building.

Implication:

While childcare is unlikely to be the primary driver of attendance, offering it could remove a significant barrier for some younger bereaved adults and parents.

4. Accessibility and parking are major considerations

The most common barriers mentioned were:

- Lack of parking
- Poor lighting
- Accessibility concerns
- Limited public transport access
- Venues that are difficult for wheelchair users
- Locations such as pubs being unsuitable for some respondents

Representative comments included:

"Not having parking"

"Lack of safe accessible parking / poorly lit areas"

"Any that would not be easily accessible by public transport"

"Wheelchair user"

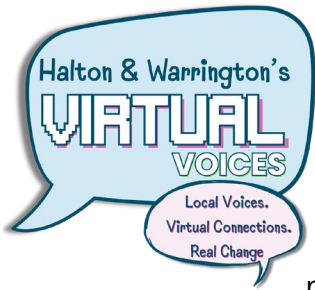
"Pub"

Recommendation:

Venue selection should prioritise:

- Accessible entrances and facilities
- Good nearby parking
- Public transport links
- A neutral, non-alcohol-based setting
- Safe, well-lit surroundings

Halton Responses



St Rocco's Evening Bereavement Review.

Although there were only a small number of Halton respondents, they generally showed positive interest in attending a bereavement café in Halton.

Caution: The sample size is too small to draw firm conclusions for Halton alone.

Overall Conclusion

The survey provides a clear message:

- There is strong demand for an evening bereavement café.
- Central Warrington is the preferred location.
- Accessibility, parking and transport links are critical factors when choosing a venue.
- Childcare provision would help some attendees and should be considered as part of future service development.
- Existing engagement with Virtual Voices appears high, but further consultation with non-members could broaden the evidence base.

Suggested next step:

Launch a pilot 7 pm bereavement café in a central, accessible Warrington venue and collect attendance and feedback data over 3-6 months before expanding the model to other locations.