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John Azah is currently Chief Executive Officer of Kingston Race and Equalities Council (KREC). He has worked for KREC since it was set up in 1990 and has been responsible for helping it develop into one of the more pro-active and dynamic RECs in the country.

John is a founding member and currently Vice Chair of the Independent Advisory Group of the Metropolitan Police Service that advises the Police Service on Critical and Strategic Issues. He serves the Police Services across the UK in a variety of capacities. He designs Critical Incident Training Hydra courses, and has worked internationally with a number of Police Forces around the world.

John is a Governor at South Thames College; founded the Milaap Multi-Cultural Centre, Refugee Action Kingston, Kingston Chinese Association and Multicultural Richmond.

John was awarded an Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2007 Honours list for services to Policing, Community and Race Relations in London and a contributing author of a book: Policing and the Legacy of Stephen Lawrence. He was awarded an Honorary Doctorate and a Fellowship at Kingston University in July 2019 for Community Engagement, Inclusion and Cohesion in the Royal Borough of Kingston and Race Equality, Human Rights and Community Relations in the UK.

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