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- Established 1995
- Patron Baroness Doreen Lawrence of Clarendon OBE, of Clarendon in the Commonwealth Realm of Jamaica
- Ambassador Adrian Derbyshire, Great Britain Athlete
- Ambassador Canon Mark Oakley, St. Paul's Cathedral
- Registered charity, Company Limited by Guarantee and Social Enterprise

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Our Vision

We dream of a society which is free from hate, harassment and discrimination, where all people are valued for their unique identity.

Our Ambition

As a means of realising this dream, we seek to work towards a society in which all people affected by hate, harassment and discrimination can challenge, report and change their experience, to support and empower people who are affected by Hate Crime, harassment and discrimination, to influence and guide organisations in their responses to Hate Crime, harassment and discrimination and to develop effective partnerships with other organisations which share our dream.





Disability Hate Crime

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Stephen Lawrence Enquiry

Recommendation 12

"A racist incident is any incident which is perceived to be racist by the victim or <u>any</u> other person."

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Hate Crime Strands

Criminal Legislation recognises 5 strands of identity:

- Disability
- Faith , Religion and Belief
- Gender Identity
- Race, Ethnicity and Nationality
- Sexual Orientation

Reports made to police will be recorded as Crimes or Non Crime Hate **Incidents**





Incidents and Crimes

Hate Crimes

Incidents that are perceived to be motivated by hostility and breach criminal legislation.

Hate Incidents

Incidents that are perceived to be motivated by hostility but in isolation do not breach criminal legislation.



Criminal Legislation in England and Wales

Crime and Disorder Act 1998

Covers Racial and Religiously motivated Crimes only Only covers Assaults, Criminal Damage, Harassment and Public Order offences Specific offences with increased sentences

Criminal Justice Act 2003

Covers Disability, Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation in addition to Racial and Religiously motivated Crimes Covers all offences within England and Wales



Discrimination

Oxford dictionary definition:

The unjust or prejudicial treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of race, age, or sex





Civil Legislation

Equality Act 2010

Covers 9 Protected Characteristics

Age

Disability

Faith and Belief

Gender Reassignment

Marriage and Civil Partnership

Pregnancy and Maternity

Race and Ethnicity

Sex

Sexual Orientation

Provides protection in relation to employment and provision of goods and services



The Reality of Hate Crime





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THE DIARY OF DESPAIR

THESE are just some of the 33 calls from Fiona Pilkington recorded on police logs.

- November 17, 1997: Miss Pilkington reports chequebook and disability book stolen from car.
- ■October 4, 2000: Her mother Pam Cassell, 72, calls police about youths lighting fires in the street.
- October 30, 2000; Youngsters throw eggs at the house. No officers available.
- March 26, 2003: Anthony, who is being bullied at school, goes missing. An officer visits and the teenager returns hours later.
- ■August 3, 2003: Anthony is punched in the mouth.
- January 9, 2004: Youths throwing stones and bottles and setting fire to gates and fences. No officers attend.
- ■January 24, 2004: Bullies threaten Anthony's life. Police say it is a matter for the school.
- ■January 28, 2004: Further threats to kill the teenager.

Police offer bullying advice but do not visit.

- June 11, 2004: Youths 'mooning'. Officer attends but rules no offence has taken place.
- June 22, 2004: Miss Pilkington reports youths taunting her daughter. She is given 'advice'.
- ■June 25, 2004: She calls to say her son is being abused. No officer attends.
- July 3, 2004: Anthony is locked in a shed at knifepoint.
- ■July 28, 2004: Anthony is attacked with an Iron bar. Police arrive but Miss Pilkington, terrified of reprisals against him, does not want a prosecution.
- ■October 28, 2005: Another call about yobs. Police do not attend.
- ■November 3, 2005; Gang jumping on hedge, shouting abuse. No officer available.
- ■October 13, 2006: Anthony pushed into a car, hurting his hand. Officer attends eight days later, no action.

- ■February 2, 2007: Youths smashing bottles in front garden. No officer attends.
- April 6, 2007: Anthony hit by stones as he rides his bike. Police contact council who write warning letters to the youths.
- ■June 2, 2007: Children smoking in front garden. Officer reports that Miss Pilkington is 'overreacting'.
- September 25, 2007: Window smashed. Officer arrives next
- ■September 26, 2007: Children throwing stones at the house. Officer speaks to them.
- ■September 28, 2007: Fifth window smashed.
- October 4, 2007: Youths throwing stones at windows. Email sent to beat officer but no one attends.
- ■October 23, 2007: Two girls jumping on the hedge and taunting Francecca. Miss Pilkington advised to draw the curtains.



The Reality of Hate Crime

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mates with brushes using the handles to back my hedge again. Its chucking down with rain	fed up cheesed off. why can't they just walk past in thous claims anything useful. walk on the other side of the road.	

have given above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

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The Impact of Hate Crime

The impact of Hate Crime is greater than for the same crime where there is no hate motivation:

- Annoyance: 61% compared to 64% for other crimes
- Anger: 78% compared to 68% for other crimes
- Fear: 46% compared to 15% for other crimes
- Anxiety: 38% compared to 9% for other crimes
- Depression: 25% compared to 8% for other crimes
- Loss of confidence: 39% compared to 15% for other crimes

Crime Survey England and Wales



Under-reporting - 2014/15

103,000 identified 42,930 recorded Race

Sexual Orientation 27,000 identified 5597 recorded

Religion 35,000 identified 3254 recorded

57,000 identified Disability 2508 recorded

Gender Identity 605 recorded

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So what about Mate Crime?

False befriending No mate in 'mate crime' False imprisonment, theft, verbal and physical abuse, sexual exploitation, rape, murder Hidden impact – what are neighbours doing? Evidence – 'but you were friends'



INCIDENT DETAILS:

Caller is reporting on behalf of victim who is a 20 year old female with Asperger's and a mood disorder. She is a vulnerable adult. Caller said the victim is being targeted by her cousin. Victim's grandmother has dementia and has gone to a new care home. To help with the transition of this the victim researched dementia and tried to set up her grandmother's room to help her transition easily. However since doing so the victim's cousin moves items around in the room and hides them specifically to upset the victim. Caller said the cousin is aware of the distress this causes and has been spoken to by multiple family members. Caller has spoken to the police on Saturday who have said there is nothing they can do but they will speak to perpetrator. Caller said the victim wrote a short story which got an award and was in her grandmother's room but her cousin hid it on top of a cabinet. Caller feels her daughter is being targeted because of her Asperger's. Caller said the behaviour of the cousin is causing the victim to have meltdowns and self harm. She is now afraid to go see her grandmother on her own. She feels she is being harassed and this is causing her distress. Caller feels like the police view it as a family dispute instead of being a hate incident due to the victim's disability. Caller would like a referral to Police. Referral to Merseyside Police

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What would you do?





INCIDENT Ongoing Incidents for last 2 years. Caller is registered disabled and suffers from a number of conditions which affect her with varying degree of seriousness at different times. She has been assessed and is eligible for Disabled permit for her car and a designated parking bay at her address. However this bay was not painted big enough and when the council have tried to re paint it they have been stopped by the caller's neighbours. This incident is one example of the type of incident the caller is facing. She currently has to park her car two streets away and her friends have to bring it for her when she needs it. Caller states that she believes the incidents started because she raised Child Protection concerns against one of her neighbours who are Foster parents. It appears that the neighbours found out who raised the concerns and the incident have continued since then. Other type of incidents include being assaulted, Threats to Kill caller's friends, and continued refusal to accept caller is disabled. Caller has reported most of the incidents to police and she has had a meeting with the ASB coordinator - but feels she is not being taken seriously. Caller states that there are about 4 homes involved in the continuing incidents. She also believes that her car has been tampered with on a number of occasions. Caller is awaiting contact from the local Police Inspector and Victim Support. Remit of service explained to the caller and in light of recent events that we can make a referral to police in spite of being out of area. Caller did not want referral at this time as happy enough to continue with current police reports. Caller advised to ensure that police understand she believes she is being targeted because of her disability. Also providing advice on how to get best value from Victim Support and also potential use of Law Society and CAB to find pro bona lawyers if the police route proved fruitless. Caller wishes details to be logged by Stop Hate UK for time being and is aware that can call again if there a more incidents or needs further advice. Caller grateful for time and advice.



What would you do?





What do you think are the barriers to reporting



Barriers to reporting

Non recognition of hate motivation Ashamed or embarrassed (believe they are to blame)

Disclosure of personal information

Not serious enough

Will not be believed/credible witness

Low chance of a positive outcome

Normalised to abuse

Cultural issues

Communication skills

Poor life skills

Poor mental health

Self-denial

Poor physical health

Fear of reprisals

Not knowing how/where to report

Accessibility difficulties

Fear of interventions by

professional agencies

Mistrust and Negative past

experiences

Fear / lack of understanding of

Criminal Justice System



The Stephen Lawrence Inquiry

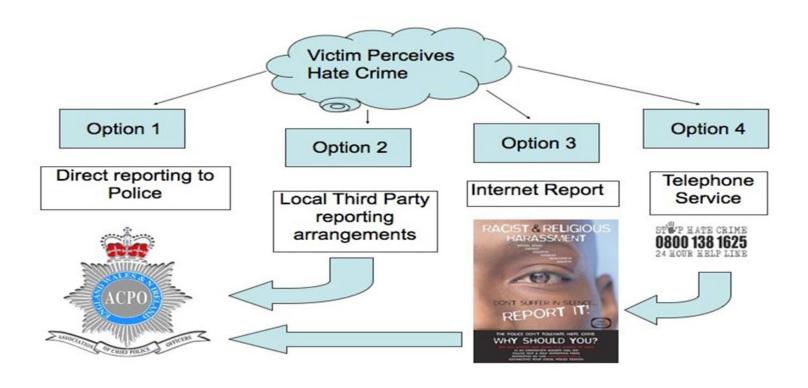
Recommendation 16

"The ability to report at locations other than police stations"

"The ability to report 24 hours a day"



Reporting Options



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The Third Party Reporting Mechanism for Hate Crime in Thames Valley was commissioned by the PCC in early 2015 and begun in June 2015. The contract was awarded to Milton Keynes

Equality Council who are now providing a service across Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire through the Thames Valley Hate Crime Network.

Report It!

You can report hate crime to the Network by:

Phone: 0300 1234 148

Web: http://www.hatecrimenetwork.org.uk/re

port-it.html

App: You can also download their app to find out more about hate crime and to report it when and where it happens.

The app 'TVHCNetwork' is available to download

to Apple, HTML and Android phones.

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You're not alone

Hate crime affects 3 out of 4 people with mental health problems

Don't suffer harassment or intimidation alone.

We can help.

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