

# Hate Crime and Social Housing: Taking Stock, Taking Action

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# **UK Government Hate Crime Strategy**



Table 2.1: Hate crimes recorded by the police, by monitored strand<sup>1,2,3</sup>, 2011/12 to 2019/20 England and Wales, recorded crime Numbers and percentages % change 2018/19 to 2013/14 2014/15 2015/16 2016/174 2017/184 2019/20 Hate crime strand 2011/12 2012/13 2018/195 2019/20 32,969 33,116 34,874 39,666 45,440 58,294 64,829 72,041 76,070 Race Religion 1.438 1,421 2,067 3,006 3,962 5,184 7,103 7,203 6,822 -5 Sexual orientation 4,044 3,960 4,278 5,168 6,700 8,569 10,670 13,314 15,835 19 1,844 1,953 2,354 5,254 6.787 7,786 8,469 Disability 1.676 3.393 296 352 538 572 820 1,195 1,615 2,183 2,540 16 Transgender Total number of motivating 40,423 40,693 43,710 50,766 60,315 78,496 91,004 102,527 109,736 factors Total number of offences N/A 39,130 41,406 48,567 57,676 74.967 86,254 97,446 105,090 8 Source: Police recorded crime, Home Office

#### Appendix Table 2: Breakdown of recorded offence sub groupings by monitored hate crime strand<sup>1,2,3</sup> 2019/20

England and Wales, recorded crime

#### Numbers

| _   | Monitored hate crime strand |                |                    |                |          |                    |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------|--------------------|
| Offence type                              | Race                        | Total Religion | Sexual orientation | Disability Tra | nsgender | Total <sup>4</sup> |
| Violence against the                      |                             |                |                    |                |          |                    |
| person                                    | 26,439                      | 2,477          | 7,169              | 4,404          | 1,349    | 41,838             |
| with injury                               | 4,724                       | 292            | 1,368              | 625            | 216      | 7,225              |
| without injury                            | 10,929                      | 868            | 2,192              | 1,057          | 317      | 15,363             |
| stalking and harassment                   | 10,786                      | 1,317          | 3,609              | 2,722          | 816      | 19,250             |
| Public order offences Criminal damage and | 43,691                      | 3,286          | 7,526              | 2,999          | 975      | 58,477             |
| arson                                     | 3,669                       | 851            | 536                | 441            | 94       | 5,591              |
| Other notifiable offences                 | 2,271                       | 208            | 604                | 625            | 122      | 3,830              |
| Total <sup>4</sup>                        | 76,070                      | 6,822          | 15,835             | 8,469          | 2,540    | 109,736            |

Source: Police recorded crime, Home Office

## LOCATION/PLACE OF HATE CRIME

| Evidence                              | Sample Size | Place based<br>Experiences   | Repeat victimisation           | Identifiable<br>perpetrator   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|--------------------------------|---|
| All Wales Hate Crime<br>Report, 2013  | N = 1810    | 31.3% victimised in or immediately outside the home                                    | 37% of victims of household HC | 43% knew their perpetrator  Disabled 50% compared to 32% for religion   |
| Leicester Hate Crime<br>Project, 2014 | N = 1421    | 32% victimised in, outside or near the home  |                                | 33% knew their perpetrator  |
| Demos, 2017                           | N = 6070    | 20% experienced in/near home<br>50% of disabled HC in/near<br>home, 14.3% for religion |                                | Of 21% where suspect known, 43% were neighbours.  45.7% disabled victims knew suspect, only 14.2% in religious HC |



| HATE RACISM         |
|---------------------|
| HATE DISCRIMINATION |
| HATE BULLYING       |
| HATE HOMOPHOBIA     |
| HATE DISABLISM      |

LET'S END HATE CRIME

| Operational    | Increased recording/reporting        |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
|                | Under-reporting                      |
|                | Resources and expectations           |
|                | Offline-online merger                |
|                | Care and burnout                     |
| Victims        | Low victim satisfaction              |
|                | Impacts and psycho-social affects    |
|                | Repeat and secondary victimisation   |
|                | Availability of support services     |
| Policy and law | Expansion of strands                 |
|                | Review of the law                    |
| Societal       | Community cohesion                   |
|                | Equity, inclusion and representation |

# Continuing need for housing-specific responses

| Victims     | Access to urgent/immediate support/response            |  |
|-------------|--|--|
|             | Response from the victim's perspective                 |  |
|             | Reduce repeat victimisation                            |  |
|             | Signpost to support services/information               |  |
|             | Special measures in court for vulnerable victims       |  |
| Agencies    | Reduce secondary victimisation/increase accountability |  |
|             | Evidence-led local approaches, partnership working     |  |
|             | After-care and self-care                               |  |
| Communities | Increase confidence and accountability in agencies     |  |
|             | Positive community relations                           |  |
|             | Partnership role in education and prevention           |  |

### LGBT\*Q residents social housing experiences (N=260+)

#### LGBT\*Q residents:

- don't believe they are listened to, taken seriously or treated equally.
- are hyper vigilant around their neighbourhood and home.
- 33% felt their neighbourhood not a safe place to live as an LGBT\*Q person.
- 20% gay men modify their home if their landlord/repairs person visits to make their sexuality less visible.
- 33% felt their housing provider not able to deal effectively with harassment.
- 50% felt a they belonging to their neighbourhood, 25% reported feeling lonely.
- want their housing provider to be more proactive on inclusion and be openly supportive of LGBT\*Q.

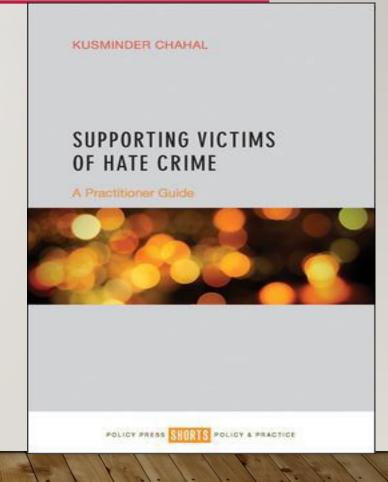
Source: No Place Like Home? University of Surrey, 2018

# Care for the victim: reducing secondary victimisation

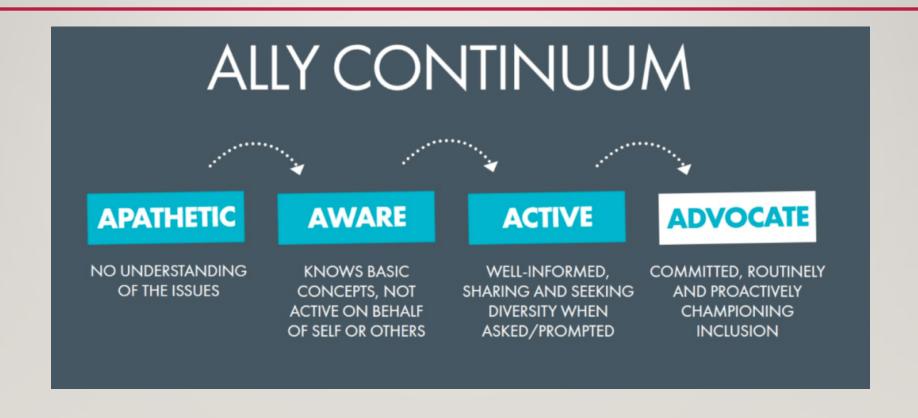
| Competency          | Actions  |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Supporting          | Recognise/respond to every client as unique                          |  |  |
| Empathy             | Listen. Believe. Re-assure   |  |  |
| Communication       | Verbal, non-verbal and written communication to meet different needs |  |  |
| Openness            | Be honest, accessible, flexible                                      |  |  |
| Non-judgemental     | Limit your own world-views: focus on the story                       |  |  |
| Direction           | Offer information, rights, signposting                               |  |  |
| Action              | Co-produce solutions and next steps                                  |  |  |
| Resolve             | Strength to advocate, confidence with powerful agencies              |  |  |
| Your responsibility | Commitment to anti-discrimination, inclusion and diversity           |  |  |

### Self-Care

- Burnout and vicarious trauma
- Stress management and supervision
- The supervision relationship
- Reflective practice
- Accessing external counselling
- Being allies



### **ALLY CONTINUUM**





# HDN Diversity Groups: Emerging issues

- How to identify support agencies and what they are doing when housing stock geographically spread.
- How is hate crime defined, reported and recorded in housing
- Awareness on hate crime but particularly focused on mental health
- Role and access to mediation services/restorative justice
- Hate crime reporting centres/joint working
- How can victims report as we rationalise staff (eg, non-staffed receptions)

### **Actions for Service Providers**

- Consider embedding restorative justice for place based hate incidents/crime
- Recognise and respond to the nuances and intersections of hate crime, its victims/communities
- Gather robust evidence from residents and and co-create solutions/responses
- Explore third party and online reporting/supporting/signposting?
- Target resources/partnerships to evidence based responses
- Training and awareness root and branch
- Prevention based partnerships and intelligence gathering
- Increase the diversity/inclusivity of housing/organisational leadership
- Do residents know about the community trigger? How well is it used?