

## Be an 'upstander', not a bystander

There are things you can easily do to support a victim of hate.

For example, don't laugh at them, encourage the suspect, or become the audience. These actions can be interpreted as though you agree with the unacceptable behaviour.

**Instead, report the incident, or if it's an emergency, ring the Police.**

# Hate has no place



## What is hate?

It's any behaviour that the victim feels is driven by hostility on the grounds of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or religion. Examples include verbal abuse, assaults, violence, damage, cyber-trolling, threats, graffiti, arson and robbery.

Anyone can be a victim of hate and it can happen anywhere; at home, in the street, online, at work, in schools, colleges or universities.

When the behaviour breaks the law it becomes a hate crime.

## We support all victims of hate incidents

The Safer Kirklees Partnership considers it completely unacceptable that hate incidents still happen to people who are targeted simply for who they are.

## We work on the belief that there is no hierarchy of hate – so the same support will be offered to all victims regardless of the hate type.



## Why report an incident?

Reporting a hate crime helps the Police identify, arrest and prosecute if a crime has occurred. This may also prevent these incidents from happening to someone else.

The information you give us will only go to the agencies you have chosen to share the information with.

You can make a report anonymously, but if you do give us your details we'll be able to fully investigate and properly support the victim. Without these details this may not be possible, although the report can still provide vital information about what is happening in the area.

## How to report hate incidents

Always call **999** in an emergency where there is a danger to life, or a crime is in progress.

Report all hate that happen on trains, or at the station, via text to the British Transport Police on **61016**

If it's not an emergency call the Police on **101**, use **101 Live Chat**, or go online at **[www.westyorkshire.police.uk/hate-crime](http://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/hate-crime)**

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired you can use West Yorkshire Police textphone **18001 101** or mobile text phone **07786200200**.

Call into one our Hate incident reporting centres, report online or report via Kirklees Direct 24 hour Helpline service on **01484 414888**. All information can be found on **[www.kirklees.gov/hatereporting](http://www.kirklees.gov/hatereporting)**  
Contact our Victim and Hate Crime officer on **01484 221000**.