

Understanding hate crime

How to offer initial basic support and signposting to victims of hate crime

Overview:

In response to appalling racist and Islamophobic violent unrest across the UK, we are offering free online training sessions on understanding hate crime to community organisations and local authorities. We know the racist riots have provoked a surge in organised intimidation that will see increases in identity-based discrimination and hate crime. We are here to support local services, organisations, and authorities to be able to provide knowledge on recognising hate crime, how to report it, and varied ways to support victims.

This two-hour course has been designed for those who work with people at risk of hate crime and to build confidence in providing support. The content is designed to help participants feel more able to have informed discussions with community members about hate crime and the reporting and support options available to them.

The sessions are online, fully interactive and based around a series of group activities which help participants to investigate:

- **What is hate crime:** the definitions of hate crime and non-crime hate incidents including the behaviours that are classified as crime, and the specific hate crime offences
- **Barriers to reporting or seeking support:** Why do so many victims or witnesses not report or seek support?
- **Reporting and support options:** Where and how can witnesses or victims report hate crimes or hate incidents and what options are available to seek support? What are the benefits and drawbacks to different support and reporting options?
- **Impact of hate crime on victims / witnesses and the community:** why is support so important in hate incidents and what additional support needs do victims of hate crime have verses victims of crimes not motivated by hate?

When:

Thursday 8th of August 2 pm – 4 pm *online*

Tuesday 13th of August 2 pm – 4 pm *online*

About us:

[Protection Approaches](#) is a national charity working to prevent all forms of identity-based violence and to improve support for victims. Our team are experts in hate crime and have a decades of combined experience working with community groups and local authorities supporting them to develop and implement programmes to better raise awareness of hate crime, and ensure victims can access support and reporting services.

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