

Ref: FOI / 1407

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Mr C/O Studio 151 15 Ingestre Place London W1F 0JH

Email: info@nationalhcaw.uk

Dear Mr

# Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request National Hate Crime

I refer to your FOI request as above. Please see response to points raised detailed below in blue.

### **Council Details**

1. Name of Council

Derry City and Strabane District Council

2. FOI Reference Number

FOI 1407

3. Name of Person responding to FOI

Mr Dermot Harrigan, Policing and Community Safety Manager and Ms Amanda Biega, Good Relations Officer.

4. UK Region council is located in

### Northern Ireland

Derry Strabane

C/o Council Offices
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## **Hate Crime Policy**

1a Is hate crime included in the councils current community safety plan?

Yes

1b Does the council have a separate hate crime policy?

No

1c If no current plans are available - which year did the last plan end?

Hate crime initiatives is included in the Derry and Strabane Policing and Community Safety Partnership Action Plan for 2017/18 and the Good Relations Action Plan 2017/18

1d Can you send a PDF copy of the above documents? <a href="mailto:info@nationalhcaw.uk">info@nationalhcaw.uk</a>

To be forwarded by relevant Officers accordingly.

# **Hate Crime Staffing**

2a Does the council have a designated hate crime lead/team?

Yes. Policing and Community Safety Partnership Manager and Community **Development Officer** 

2b If 2a = yes, what is the name of the designated hate crime lead/team?

Dermot Harrigan/ Patrick O'Doherty

2c Does the council employ designated hate crime officer?

No

2d If 2c = yes, how can we contact them?

## **Hate Crime Reporting**

3a Does the council facilitate hate crime reporting in its area?

Yes, through the Policing and Community Safety Partnership

3b What methods of reporting does the council support?

Telephone, email, through the Council website or Council/PCSP facebook pages, face to face

#### **Hate Crime Resources**

4a Does the council have a designated page on its website for hate crime information?

#### No

4b If 4a = yes - what is it's URL website address?

4c Does the council produce any hate crime materials (Posters, Leaflets, Cards, Campaign materials, training resources etc.)?

No; Hate crime materials produced by the Department of Justice can be disseminated locally through the PCSP.

4d If 4c = Yes - can you send us PDF copies of any of these resources? <a href="mailto:info@nationalhcaw.uk">info@nationalhcaw.uk</a>

# **Hate Crime Advocacy**

5a Does the council provide direct hate crime advocacy services to people affected by hate crime?

#### No

5b If 5a = yes - how many hate crime advocates does the council employ?

5c Does the council refer people affected by hate crime to external hate crime advocacy services?

#### No

5d If 5c = Yes, please can you provide a list of hate crime advocacy services that the council refers people to?

### **Hate Crime Funding**

6a How much did the council budget to tackle hate crime in 2017/18?

PCSP budget of £5,000 to tackle hate crime and £10,000 from Good Relations

6b How much did the council budget to tackle hate crime last year 2016/17?

PCSP budget of £4,500 to tackle hate crime and £7,000 from Good Relations

6c How much did the council budget to tackle hate crime in 2015/16?

No PCSP budget allocated to tackle Hate Crime in 2015/16. Good Relations budget of £7,000

6d Can you provide a list of organisations funded by the council to tackle hate crime? In 2016/17 Tinderbox Theatre Company was awarded £4500 by the PCSP to deliver their One World Drama highlighting the negative impact of hate crime and sectarianism. Greater Shantallow Area Partnership appointed to deliver the 'YES' Project (Youth Educated in Safety) £7,000

## Working with Communities affected by hate crime

7a Does the council facilitate or participate in a hate crime forum?

No, although the crime type is discussed at the quarterly PCSP Policing Committee Meetings

7b If 7a = yes - what is the name of the hate crime forum?

7c if 7a = yes - how often does the hate crime forum meet?

7d if 7a = yes - what other local authorities attend the meetings?

7e If 7a = yes - what voluntary sector organisations are represented on the forum?

### **National Hate Crime Awareness Week #NHCAW**

8a Does the council intend to take part this year? (14th-21st October 2017) Y/N Maybe?

### Maybe

8b If 8a = yes - what is the council planning to do?

8c Which years has the council taken part in #NHCAW? 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015. 2016 (please check each year participated)

#### Never before

8d If the council has not participated in #NHCAW before - can you give us a reason why?

### Not aware of it

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:





John Kelpie Chief Executive Derry City and Strabane District Council 98 Strand Road **BT48 7NN** Derry Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow

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Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

**Head of Community Development & Leisure**