

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting .....24th January 2019

1. Title of Item/Report

Crime and Disorder Select Committee - Scrutiny Review of Hate Crime

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that presented the Crime and Disorder Select Committee findings and recommendations following the Scrutiny Review of Hate Crime.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The Stockton Hate Crime Group be recommended to incorporate the following actions into the Hate Crime Action Plan:

(a) targeted awareness raising and promotion of the support available for:

- groups with protected characteristics (in particular disability, LGBT)
- frontline staff
- younger men
- schools, colleges and universities

(b) encouraging reporting through:

- greater publicity for successful prosecutions
- the development of an on-line form, which would enable users to report hate crime from any location
- reviewing the role and profile of Third Party Reporting Centres in conjunction with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- working towards reducing the barriers to reporting

(c) recruiting and developing capacity of community advocates;

(d) continuing to scrutinise hate crime incidents and their classifications;

(e) reviewing the impact of the Prejudice Driven Behaviour Policy and

Trans-Inclusion Policy and Guidance for schools in 12 months;

(f) continue to review the membership of the Stockton Hate Crime Group to ensure representation from all key stakeholders and groups.

2. Stockton schools be encouraged to take advantage of the range of awareness raising and support packages available.

3. The Council continue to recognise and support the important work of Show Racism the Red Card.

4. A letter be sent to Stockton MPs to seek their support in calling for further research into how best to tackle online hate speech.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The report presents the findings of the scrutiny review that took place as part of the agreed work programme for 2017/18.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Steve Nelson declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 7 - Crime and Disorder Select Committee - Scrutiny Review of Hate Crime as he was a member of Catalyst.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight, 1 February 2019

Proper Officer  
28 January 2019