

**Crime and Disorder Select Committee
Chair's Update – October 2018**

Scrutiny Review – Hate Crime	
Achieved since last meeting	<p>The overall aim is to increase awareness and understanding for hate crime issues, seek to build confidence within communities and increase reporting. The review will also explore restorative justice programmes and partnership working arrangements.</p> <p>The Committee will be exploring the following key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What measures and processes do SBC and its partners have in place to raise awareness amongst key agencies and the wider communities to identify and tackle hate crime? • How well are the key agencies working together? • How do we measure the effectiveness of activities to raise awareness and provide support? • Do we benchmark performance? • Are the current priorities and measures in the Hate Crime Action Plan appropriate? • How hate crime is recorded and what are the reasons for under-reporting? • What is the reported incidence of hate crime in the Borough compared with other areas and is there correlation with numbers of minority groups? • What support is needed to encourage victims to report incidences of hate crime? • What is the impact of hate crime? • What is the role and impact of social media? • Why do hate crimes occur and how can hate crime be prevented? • What is third party reporting? <p>The September meeting heard from various groups providing support for people with protected characteristics. Eight organisation attended for a workshop style session.</p> <p>The final evidence gathering meeting in October will be focusing on work in schools.</p>
Problems or concerns	None
Planned next month	The Committee will be reviewing the summary of evidence and formulating draft recommendations.
On track – yes / no	<p>Yes</p> <p>This review is scheduled to report to Cabinet in February 2019.</p>

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Monitoring

There have been no further progress updates presented to the Committee since the last meeting.

Next Meeting

25 October 2018