

BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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Report Originator	Community Services Manager Kettering Borough Council	<i>Fwd Plan Ref No:</i> -	
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Title	Northamptonshire Hate Reduction Strategy		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To share the recently agreed Hate Reduction Strategy.

2. INFORMATION

- 2.1 The attached strategy (**Appendix A**) has been developed by a county-wide alliance of statutory agencies and seeks to develop a consistent approach to handling hate crimes and incidents across the county and between agencies. It has been, or is, in the process of being adopted by the signatory organisations and the next stage is to develop a delivery or action plan and a media strategy.
- 2.2 Views on elements which the action plan needs to cover would be welcome at this stage.
- 2.3 There has been some heightened sensitivity in some parts of the country about hate crime, although Northamptonshire has not seen a spike in incidents in the recent few weeks, and indeed, over time, hate crimes and incidents have been slowly reducing in volume.
- 2.4 The Centre for Independent Living has also set up a non-police hotline for reporting hate incidents and crimes which gives an additional route for victims to report and seek help. The telephone number is (01604) 588501.

3. RECOMMENDATION

The Board is asked to note the strategy, endorse it and recommend areas which the delivery plan could address.