

Report it

What can I report?

Any incident where you or anyone else has been targeted because you or they are believed to be of a different:

- Race
- Religion / belief
- Sexual orientation
- Gender identity
- Disability

How can I report an incident?

There are a number of ways you can report hate crime:

■ Phone the police

999 in an **emergency**

101 in a **non emergency**

There are specially trained police officers in your area who you can speak to in confidence.

■ Internet reporting

Report hate crime to the police through True Vision, www.report-it.org.uk or via the Wiltshire Police website, www.wiltshire.police.uk/HateCrime

■ Enquiry Offices

Visit the Wiltshire Police website for more details, including opening times

**Hate crime is a crime.
Being different isn't.
Challenge it, Report it, Stop it!**

Tell someone

Don't suffer in silence. If you can't get anyone to listen to you, contact one of the agencies listed below who will offer you support and advice.

EVERY report is taken seriously and could help to stop you and others suffering from hate crime.

True Vision:

www.report-it.org.uk

Stop Hate UK: 0800 138 1625

www.stophateuk.org

Victim support: 0808 281 0113

www.victimsupport.org.uk

Crimestoppers: report anonymously on 0800 555 111

www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Police emergency: 999

www.wiltshire.police.uk

Police non emergency: 101

www.wiltshire.police.uk

Citizens Advice Bureau:

www.citizensadvice.org.uk



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a **CRIME...**



Challenge it

Report it

Stop it



Know the facts
and who can help

WILTSHIRE POLICE

In an **EMERGENCY** dial **999**
For non emergencies dial **101**

Our dedicated team of Hate Crime Advisors

Wiltshire Police has a network of Hate Crime Advisors who work closely with all the local Community Policing Teams throughout Wiltshire County and Swindon Borough areas.

These officers and police staff listen and talk to potentially vulnerable people in their area and support victims of hate incidents and crimes, including giving advice about where they can seek extra help and support.

Hate Crime Advisors are responsible for

- Identifying groups that could be vulnerable to hate incidents and crimes and engaging with them in structured and meaningful ways
- Making contact with victims of hate incidents or crimes
- Signposting and working with other agencies to offer and provide relevant and appropriate support to victims
- Liaising with investigating officers

Wiltshire Police works with diverse communities across the whole of the county with the aim of keeping the people of Wiltshire safe.

What is a hate crime or hate incident?

Are you or someone you know:

- Being called names?
- Being hassled or threatened?
- Being beaten up, spat at or kicked?
- Having your things stolen or damaged?

Just because of your own or someone else's:

- Race
- Religion or belief
- Sexual orientation
- Gender identity
- Disability

If you can answer **yes** to any of these questions then this is classed as a hate incident or crime and it will be treated seriously and dealt with robustly by Wiltshire Police.

A Hate Incident is:

Any incident which does not constitute a criminal offence, which is perceived by the **victim or any other person**, as being motivated by prejudice or hate.

A Hate Crime is:

Any hate incident, which constitutes a criminal offence, perceived by the **victim or any other person**, as being motivated by prejudice or hate.

You do not have to be the victim of the incident in order to report it.

Personal safety

If you are a victim

- Make as much noise as you can
- As soon as you can, go somewhere you know is safe
- Get help immediately
- In an emergency dial 999
- If it is not an emergency, contact the police by telephoning 101
- If you have the confidence, tell the police why you think you were attacked
- If you have been attacked, don't shower or change your clothes, it may destroy evidence
- If you have had your keys taken, change the locks
- Use other reporting systems such as Citizens Advice Bureau to report the incident if you don't have the confidence to contact the Police, or tell a care worker, support worker or someone you trust

If you are a witness

- In an emergency dial 999 or call the police on 101 in a non-emergency
- Stay alert and safe
- Don't physically intervene, you could get hurt
- As soon as you can, write down everything that you can remember about the incident
- Report the incident by other reporting systems such as True Vision if you don't have the confidence to tell the police