

## **There's no place for hate in Oldham**

Have you been the victim of a hate incident? You might have been and not even realised it. Or you might have seen a hate incident happening to another person.

### **What is a hate incident?**

A hate incident is when someone bullies or hurts another person because they don't like who they are. This might be because of their race, colour, ethnic origin, nationality or national origin, faith or religion, age, gender or gender identity, sexuality or disability.

There are lots of different types of hate incidents. These include physical attacks such as physical assault or damage to property, threat of attack such as abusive or obscene telephone calls, groups hanging around to intimidate you, or verbal abuse or insults such as offensive leaflets or comments and abusive gestures.

A hate incident becomes a hate crime if the person bullying or hurting someone else breaks the law.

### **How do I report a hate incident?**

Even if you're not sure if you've been a victim of a hate incident it is still important to speak to someone. You can report a hate incident in the following ways:

- In an emergency always call 999
- Call the Greater Manchester Police on 0161 872 5050 or go to any police station.
- If you don't want to call the police, or if you want extra support call the 24hr Stop Hate Helpline on 0800 138 1625. The helpline is a confidential hate crime reporting service and provides independent information and support for anyone affected by hate crime.

**STOP HATE CRIME**  
**0800 138 1625**  
**24 HOUR HELP LINE**

You can also report a hate incident at housing offices, libraries and sports centres.

For more information visit [www.oldham.gov.uk/stop\\_hate\\_crime](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/stop_hate_crime)

**Report all hate incidents and help stop hate crime.**