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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI426015444

Thank you for your request for information relating to Hate crime.

You have requested the following information:

1. Is hate crime included in the council's current Community Safety plan?

We confirm that hate crime is included in the Council's Community Safety plan. This plan is available for you to access via the link below:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/file/31468/challenging_hate_crime_strategy

2. Does the council have a separate hate crime plan/strategy?

We confirm the Council does not have a separate hate crime plan/strategy.

3. Does the council have a designated hate crime lead?

Yes, our designated hate crime lead is Beverley Massey. Email address: Beverley.Massey@coventry.gov.uk

4. Does the council service facilitate or take part in any hate crime forums?

The Council does participate in hate crime forums, which are as follows:

Local - Coventry Hate Crime Forum, Police and Council representatives.

Regional – as convened.

5. Does the Council have a designated hate crime information page on its website?

We confirm we have a designated hate crime information page on our website. This is available for you to access via the below link:

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/community-safety-crime/hate-crime

6. Does the Council facilitate hate crime reporting?

We facilitate hate crime reporting via third party reporting sites and supports partner agencies to improve reporting.

7. Does the Council have a budget for tackling hate crime? What is/was that budget?

We do not have a specific budget for tackling hate crime.

8. Does the council have access to hate crime resources?

We confirm that we do not hold this information and are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act. There are historical resources on hate crime, however we are currently unable to verify current resources.

9. Does the council refer victims of hate crime to independent advice and support services?

We refer victims of hate crime to Community Remedy which is funded through the PCC (Police and Crime Commissioner) Office.

10. Is the council planning to participate in National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2022 (8-16 October)?

Not known.

11. Has the council participated in previous National Hate Crime Awareness weeks?

Not known.

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