

Local Criminal Justice Board Challenging Hate Crime 2009

■ Two years on Where are we?

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2007 Conference Key Themes

- Improve inter-agency co-operation, communication and knowledge
- Improve victim care throughout the system (care, VPS, kept prepared and informed)
- Improve staff diversity knowledge and understanding of the impact of hate crime on individuals and communities

LCJB 2009 Conference update

- CPS Hate Crime Co-ordinator meetings
- CPS - Public events, Neighbour Action Groups
- Snapshot training by the CPS with police officers
- CPS Hate Crime Scrutiny Panel
– improved joint working

LCJB 2009 Conference update

- 9 May 2007 – Ministry of Justice.
Courts, Prisons and Probation
- community engagement, public events,
awareness training and Section 145/146
- Police Witness Care Unit
- cultural awareness training
- Police hate crime champions
- Improved victim confidence

LCJB 2009 Conference update

- LCJB Hate Crime Action Plans
- Victim Personal Statements
- CPS and Community and Diversity Officer links

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“United
Voices”

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“Society must do better on disability hate crime says” Director Public Prosecutions
October 2008

“The police should take into account the emotion and adrenalin that a victim may be feeling when they report a hate crime”
OCJR Audit 2008

“73% of transgender respondents experience verbal abuse, threats and assaults in public”
Press for Change 2007

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Under reporting?
57,000 Racist incidents
recorded in 2007/08.
British Crime Survey
estimate is 207,000.

“Three in four victims
of homophobic hate
crime did not report
them to the police”
Stonewall’s
Homophobic Hate
Crime Survey 2008

“Ten Years On: Much Done;
Much More Still To Do”.
CPS Response to Stephen
Lawrence Inquiry
Recommendations 2008

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Hate Crime in Thames Valley 2009

971 Race
crimes
(87.1%)

14 Faith crimes
(1.3%)

42 Disability crimes
(3.8%)

82
Homophobic
crimes
(7.4%)

5 Transphobic crimes
(0.4%)

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- Stephen Lawrence Inquiry 10 Years On: Progress Against the Recommendations - 2009
- “Getting Away with Murder”
SCOPE August 2008 – “Disabled People’s experiences of Hate Crime in the UK”

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- Hate Crime – The Cross-Government Action Plan September 2009
- Internet Hate Crime Action Plan

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- Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Strategy for the Police Service 2009
- Forthcoming refreshed ACPO Hate Crime Manual 2009(?)
- Race for Justice Programme

LCJB Challenging Hate Crime Conference 2009

- Two years onWhere are we?
- Where do we go from here?

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Hate Crime within the Thames Valley

- Reported hate crimes 1.7% up over the last 12 months
(Nov 08 – Nov 09 - 2020 victims)
- 33.9% detection for hate crimes
- Target 35%
- Greater focus now on all hate crimes