

## Stockport Charter – Lets End Hate Crime

*A hate incident is any behaviour that a person feels is motivated by prejudice or hostility based on disability, gender identity, race, religion, sexual orientation or sub culture.*

The Stockport Charter aims to outline the ideals and process of tackling hate crime in our communities through a partnership approach. The Stockport Charter aims to increase awareness of hate crime, increase the reporting of hate crime and **hate incidents**, take effective action against perpetrators, support victims of hate crime and improve partnership working.

We will do this by:

Building a common understanding of what constitutes a Hate Crime across the partnership and the broader community.

Working together to prevent Hate Crime, by challenging the attitudes that underpin it, and providing pathways to support early intervention (preventing escalation).

Increasing reporting and access to support, by building victim confidence.

Improving the operational response to Hate Crime, by better identifying and managing cases, and dealing effectively with offenders.

Committing to the adoption of a victim centred approach.

Improving the sharing of intelligence between partnerships and working together to promote reporting of Hate Incidents/Crime.

Working towards reducing fear and prejudice in our communities.

Creating and strengthening community cohesion in Stockport.