

In Nottinghamshire we recognise that everybody has a role to play in tackling hate and discrimination and in promoting communities which are safe for all. By signing this pledge, we are committing ourselves and the organisations for which we work, whether they are from the statutory, voluntary, community or private sectors, to create a Nottinghamshire that says "No to Hate!".

Say 'No to Hate!' Organisational Pledge

I pledge on behalf of my organisation that we will:

- 1. Be mindful of the language used by our organisation, our behaviour, to reduce the likelihood of causing offence, and act inclusively in our dealings with people so no-one feels left out.
- 2. Challenge inappropriate language/banter within our personal, social and work environments and speak out against all forms of prejudice and discrimination.
- 3. Be a visible advocate for those experiencing hate crime/incidents and do our best to tackle prejudice and to stop those who, because of hate or ignorance, would hurt anyone or violate their dignity.
- 4. Try at all times to be aware of our own prejudices and seek to gain understanding of those who we may perceive as being different from ourselves.
- 5. Reach out to support those who are targets of hate, recognising that small acts of kindness to those at risk of being victims of hate crime/incidents make a difference.
- 6. Encourage all our employees to behave in the manner outlined above; ensure all our employees are trained to be aware of hate crime issues and know how to respond to victims who report incidents.
- Share information about hate crimes that come to the attention of our organisation with the Safer
 Nottinghamshire Board Hate Crime Steering Group to contribute to creating a better picture of hate crime in the
 County and City.
- 8. Ensure that policies and procedures developed within our organisation deal effectively with hate crime or incidents that occur, whether against members or the public or staff or between employees in the workplace.
- 9. Think about specific ways our organisation and all those who work for us can promote respect for all people and make Nottinghamshire a place where people feel safe.
- 10. Promote and implement policies in our organisation that promote diversity and equality and challenge all forms of discrimination.

We know that one person can make a difference and that everyone has a part to play in achieving equality and social justice. By signing this pledge, we commit ourselves to leading an organisation that says 'No to Hate!'