

Greenwich Hate Crime Community Forum

The Royal Borough commissions three independent charities, known as the 'support services', to assist victims of hate crime.

Greenwich Inclusion Project, Metro and MetroGAD deliver work that raises awareness of hate crime and contributes to local strategy across the hate crime strands; Race, Religion, LGBTQ+, and Disability.

The support services facilitate a forum made up of people that have experienced hate crime and/or have experience with community safety issues and initiatives and hold an interest in improving outcomes for victims and responses to hate crime incidents in the borough.

The forum examines information identifying local needs and priorities and provides guidance to the authorities regarding community engagement and the use of resources.

Hate crime, locally and nationally, increases year by year but is chronically underreported, meaning that many victims remain unsupported and unheard.

Amongst its other aims, the Forum works toward ensuring victims of hate crime receive independent support; that once hate crimes are reported, they are recorded and investigated, and victims receive regular updates following a report. It also explores working preventatively with vulnerable groups and ensuring that available guidance, can be understood by everyone.

If you can commit approximately 4 hours every three months and are interested in becoming a forum member please contact; marc.lorenzi@griproject.org.uk

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