

Hate Crime Legislation Review

Hate Crime violates equality between members of society

Hate Crime normally falls into two main categories:

- *A criminal offence committed with a prejudice, hostile, or hateful motivation towards a victim*
 - *An incitement offence where certain actions are intended, or likely to stir-up hatred or arouse fear*
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The independent Hate Crime Legislation Review team, led by Judge Desmond Marrinan will be working until April 2020 to:

- Define an agreed definition of Hate Crime
 - Determine if the current enhanced sentencing approach in Northern Ireland is appropriate
 - Review and if necessary expand the current protected categories of Hate Crime
 - Examine and review the current legislative framework for incitement offences
 - Identify any gaps in our current legal system and recommend improvements to guarantee everyone's human rights are protected
 - Examine the potential for alternative or mutually supportive restorative approaches for dealing with hate motivated offending
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We can't do
this alone

Contact us now and help us find better ways of dealing with Hate Crime by confidentially sharing your views, your experiences and your aspirations with us.

All contributions
are dealt with
confidentially

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