

**HATE IN ANY  
FORM IS  
UNACCEPTABLE.  
NOBODY  
DESERVES IT  
AND NOBODY  
DESERVES TO  
GET AWAY  
WITH IT.  
TO STOP IT,  
REPORT IT.**

Northern Ireland

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# **HATE INCIDENT**

**Practical Action Scheme  
(HIPA)**



**A scheme to support victims  
of hate incidents**

**HATE INCIDENT  
PRACTICAL ACTION  
SCHEME  
HAVE YOU BEEN THE  
VICTIM OF AN  
INCIDENT OR CRIME AT  
HOME BECAUSE OF  
YOUR RACE, SEXUAL  
ORIENTATION,  
DISABILITY, GENDER  
IDENTITY, POLITICAL  
OPINION OR  
RELIGIOUS BELIEF?  
HAS YOUR HOME BEEN  
ATTACKED BECAUSE  
OF YOUR RACE,  
SEXUAL  
ORIENTATION,  
DISABILITY, GENDER  
IDENTITY, POLITICAL  
OPINION OR  
RELIGIOUS BELIEF?  
IF SO, YOU MAY BE  
ELIGIBLE FOR  
PERSONAL AND HOME  
PROTECTION  
MEASURES UNDER THE  
HATE INCIDENT  
PRACTICAL ACTION  
(HIPA) SCHEME.**

## ABOUT THE SCHEME

A scheme is available across Northern Ireland to support victims of hate incidents at their homes.

This scheme, in particular circumstances, can provide personal and home protection measures if your home has been damaged or you have been the victim of an incident or crime at home because of your race, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, political opinion or religious belief. It is available to owner-occupiers and tenants in privately rented, Housing Executive and Housing Association properties.

## HOW THE SCHEME WORKS

All hate incidents must be reported to the police to be eligible for support.

When an incident is confirmed by the police, minimum repairs may be carried out to secure the property and, if requested, there will be a follow up visit by your local police officer or Crime Prevention Officer who can recommend work to be carried out by the Housing Executive to repair the property and improve existing security.

The Scheme is available 24 hours each day to provide support and reassurance to victims of hate incidents.

**Further information about hate crime can be found at:**

**[www.report-it.org.uk](http://www.report-it.org.uk)** > Northern Ireland or go to section > organisations that can help in Northern Ireland

**[www.nihe.gov.uk](http://www.nihe.gov.uk)** > Community > Anti Social Behaviour > Hate Crime

## CONTACT NUMBERS

To report an incident contact your local Police Station on 101

Confidential on line reporting is also available at: **[psni.police.uk](http://psni.police.uk)**

If you require further information about the Scheme, you can contact:

- **Your local Neighbourhood Officer**  
[www.psni.police.uk/my-area/](http://www.psni.police.uk/my-area/)
- **Your local NIHE office**  
03448 920 900
- **Rainbow Project**  
02890319030 - Belfast  
02871283030 - Foyle Hub
- **Victim Support for Northern Ireland**  
028 9024 3133  
02871370086 - Foyle Hub
- **Hate Crime Advocates:**
  - Victims of disability hate crime**  
07895 207 659
  - Victims of homophobic or transphobic hate crime**  
028 9031 9030
  - Victims of racist hate crime**  
Hate Crime team:  
[bilingualsupportworker@migrantcentreni.org](mailto:bilingualsupportworker@migrantcentreni.org)  
07827299347 (Belfast office) or  
07827297119 (North West office) - WhatsApp
- **Your local Policing and Community Safety Partnership Manager**  
via your council or [www.pcsp.org](http://www.pcsp.org)

Housing Association tenants should contact their relevant Housing Association.  
**[www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/housing-associations](http://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/housing-associations)**

**If you have been a victim of a hate crime and it is an emergency you should contact the police on 999.**