

Hate Crime Action Plan Partnership Board's comments

Links

There needs to be a more explicit and formal link between the LDPB and Safe Newcastle. Whilst we have a member agency as part of the system in Better Days who have done some fabulous work we need to have a formal two way relationship between the two partnerships

Hate Crime

Blue card

Everyone is mightily supportive of the Blue Card. May we discuss the possible nature of endorsement that SN could give

Reporting

It should be even easier to report hate crime - Neil – I am not sure if this discussion group had any specific ideas about how to do this

Education

We should put education first and not just policing – the balance of commitment and investment must be weighted in favour of education i.e. to achieve prevention and secondary prevention as opposed to policing
Education BY people with learning disabilities or indeed any disability
We need to use drama technique to get message across - it is a powerful medium

It's not just Better Days who do this sort of work

Work on Hate crime should include education on Dignity - explicit link to the Dignity Challenge being put forward at present

Dignity and respect are at the heart of hate crime education message – let's make them linked with the NHS/Adult Service Dignity Challenge campaign

More work needs to be done in schools –we have off the shelf packages from e.g. Skills for People's Changing Our Future project that simply need funding to make happen

And the reverse idea would also be powerful i.e. Children and young people who are not disabled should visit special schools

As well as schools more work needs to be done in adult education also

People don't know what is hate crime – use people with disabilities to promote an agreed definition

Out Workforce Plan is limited in scope (for practical reasons) to people who directly work with learning disabilities at present .However at the heart of this is values based training – using the same core messages around dignity as we are advocating above. It would be marvellous to have a joined up approach to content and also to look collectively for the resources to go beyond staff who work with people with learning disabilities directly

Setting the standard

As a Partnership Board we need to set the standard - we all need this training first

Bill Norman's comments

I would fully endorse Better Days Place of safety comments - as in e.g. libraries - this is an idea tried out in North Yorkshire. Our new Head of Libraries David Fay knows about this as he comes from North Yorks. He is very willing to listen ! We need to make the most of this . As an idea this lends it self to being linked to the use of the Blue Card also

Accessible version of the Action Plan – who will be doing this folks – have you thought about this yet