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### DID you KNOW ? about Hate Crime.....

- 451 Hate Crimes were recorded by Devon police last year, the majority being reported by Black & Minority Ethnic victims. Research shows that most Hate Crimes are never reported, so the true picture is even worse.
- A hate crime is: *“Any incident, which constitutes a criminal offence, which is perceived by the victim or any other person as being motivated by prejudice or hate”* which could be prejudice based on: race or ethnic origin; gender; sexual or gender orientation; or disability.
- Devon’s Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) population is now estimated to be 6% (including Eastern Europeans).
- A new directory will help you tackle the impact of hate crime on Devon’s BME population. It gives local, practical, info to offer to BME individuals and families to get the support they need. Find it at [www.OpenHeartsOpenMinds.org.uk](http://www.OpenHeartsOpenMinds.org.uk)
- Most hate crime is unreported – If *you* know of it, report it to Devon’s Hate Crime Prevention Co-ordinator on 07971 267502

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