

ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITIES TOGETHER PROJECT TIMELINE



2021

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The Law Commission recommends not adding alternative subcultures to monitored hate crime strands, citing insufficient evidence of targeted criminal behaviour.

In response, the Sophie Lancaster Foundation launches a hate crime survey to gather evidence.

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2022

Key Findings

- 93% verbally abused
- 87% threatened/harassed in person
- 71% threatened/harassed online
- 56% physically attacked
- 84% felt anxious
- 27% felt suicidal
- 73% didn't report it
- 69% of those who did were dissatisfied with police response

The Foundation develops an independent action plan based on these findings.

2023

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The plan becomes a funding bid to the National Lottery Community Fund, including:

- An online hate crime guide
- Training for police and other criminal justice professionals
- Actions to support the community and combat isolation.

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2024

Funding Success

£258,928 awarded over three years. ACT Project launched 1 September 2024. This is the largest grant in the Foundation's history, advancing its mission to support the alternative community and fight hate crime.

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Everyone has the right to live as their authentic self and still be safe.

Your hate is not my shame.

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