



Statement

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The Anne Frank Trust UK's response to rise in antisemitic incidents in UK

Violent antisemitic incidents in the UK have increased by 34% since 2016, according to a 2017 report by UK charity Community Security Trust (CST), an organisation which protects British Jews from antisemitism and related threats and works with police to record data. The Antisemitic Incidents Report 2017, published today, shows that violent antisemitic assaults increased from 108 in 2016 to 145 in 2017. There were 1,382 antisemitic incidents nationwide in total in 2017: the highest figure that CST has ever recorded for a calendar year.

We at The Anne Frank Trust UK are one of the UK's leading charities in the field of tackling prejudice and discrimination. Using Anne Frank's life and diary, we empower young people with the knowledge, skills and confidence to challenge *all* forms of prejudice and discrimination.

Caroline Hoare, Interim Chief Executive for the Trust, said, "Sadly, the hatred and discrimination which led to the murder of Anne - a bright, young, optimistic teenager - remains prevalent in our society today. The quality and impact of our work is recognised by the government, police forces, teaching community, funders and young people alike - but for all our successes, the CST's latest report shows that our work is needed now more than ever. It is only through education that we can achieve a society truly safe from all forms of prejudice and discrimination."

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Prejudice and discrimination harms individuals, communities and society. The Anne Frank Trust UK is an education charity. We use Anne Frank's life and diary to empower young people with the knowledge, skills and confidence to challenge all forms of prejudice and discrimination.