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Dear

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 834/24 Religious Hate Crimes**

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024. I note you seek access to the following information:

Please provide for each month from April 2023 up until the most current date at the point of production:

- 1) *The number of religious hate crimes you have recorded,*
- 2) *The number of religious hate crimes you have recorded, split by perceived target religion*

Your request for information has been considered and I can confirm that Cumbria Constabulary does hold the information you request, and I have today decided to disclose this to you.

To provide information relevant to your request, data was extracted from the Constabulary's crime recording database, for all offences flagged as a "hate faith" crime for the date period 01/04/2023 to 18/09/2024.

Data includes Non-Crime Hate Incidents & Crimes.

- 1) The number of religious hate crimes you have recorded = 56
- 2) The number of religious hate crimes you have recorded, split by perceived target religion = Please refer to attached PDF

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.

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Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

### Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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| Distinct Count of Crime Number |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          |           |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
|                                | 2023     |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 2024     |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          | Total     |
|                                | Apr      | May      | Jun      | Jul      | Aug      | Sep      | Oct      | Nov      | Dec      | Jan      | Feb      | Mar      | Apr      | May      | Jun      | Jul      | Aug       | Sep      |           |
| Buddhist                       |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1        |          |          |           |          | 1         |
| Catholicism                    |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 1        |          |           |          | 1         |
| Christian                      |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 2        |          |          |          |          |           |          | 2         |
| Hindu                          |          |          | 2        |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |           |          | 2         |
| Jewish                         | 1        | 1        |          |          | 1        | 1        | 1        |          |          |          | 1        |          |          | 2        | 1        | 1        | 1         | 1        | 12        |
| Muslim                         |          | 1        | 1        | 1        | 2        | 1        | 2        |          |          | 1        | 1        | 2        | 2        | 1        | 1        | 4        | 10        | 2        | 32        |
| Not Specified                  |          | 1        |          |          |          |          |          | 1        | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | 3         |          | 6         |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>1</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>56</b> |

In some cases the Aggrieved Religion is any / all religions other than a suspects own. These have been shown as 'Not Specified'.

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