

# what will happen next?

*In some cases, your complaint may be referred to one of the specialist police officers at your local police station. These are people who have been specially trained in this area of work and who understand your anxieties and fears.*

*You should always remember, though, that what happens next will depend entirely on what YOU decide. No action will be taken without your consent, and all the points will be treated in the strictest confidence.*



**The Racial Incidents Panel  
– there to help you**

This leaflet is intended to support anyone who is a victim of racial harassment. If you have difficulty understanding this in English, please contact:

Wandsworth Interpreting Service at  
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ENGLISH

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BENGALI

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## the problem

*There are many different kinds of racial abuse, which can hurt people from all walks of life. Youngsters may find themselves the target of school bullies and have to suffer playground taunts, or shop-keepers could arrive at their business to find the premises vandalised and their livelihood threatened. Individuals may not even feel safe in their own home due to the growing number of racially-motivated attacks on people's property.*

*These examples are a cause of concern to voluntary and statutory organisations, especially as people are often reluctant to come forward with their problems for fear of reprisals.*

*For these reasons, it was decided that a corporate body be set up to tackle the problem of racial abuse in Wandsworth. This body is called the Racial Incident Panel.*

## the racial incidents panel

*The Racial Incidents Panel was formed in 1986 by the Wandsworth Policing Consultative Committee.*

*Members include officers from Wandsworth Council and the Metropolitan Police along with representatives from local voluntary groups such as Victim support.*

*The panel provides a support structure for the various agencies working in the field and new members are always welcome.*

## the purpose of the panel

*The Racial Incidents Panel monitors the problem of racial harassment and investigates its causes by carefully examining reported cases of abuse. Incidents which are not yet resolved, are carried forward to the next meeting.*

*Members also look at ways the Council, the Police and other agencies handle complaints. Where appropriate, they will make recommendations to the Home Office or any other relevant organisation for amendments to policies or practices.*

## dealing with your problems

*If you are a victim of racial abuse you may be reluctant to come forward with your problem. You might think it better to suffer in silence rather than risk further abuse, but there are many ways in which your problem might be solved.*

*You could be offered counselling or a housing transfer, for example. In more serious cases, the individuals responsible may be taken to court.*

*Whatever your problem, whether it is large or small, you will be provided with all the support you need.*

## racial harassment victim report line

*If you are a victim of racial harassment all you have to do is call the Council's special reporting line on (020) 8871 6829 and you will be put in touch with the right person or organisation for your needs.*

*Alternatively, you might prefer to call your local voluntary group.*

*Remember, you don't have to suffer in silence.*