

**FOI Reference Number:** FOI/253/1920

**Date:** 29 October 2019

**Request:**

Please find below.

**Response:**

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 09 October 2019.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response.

Q1. Definition of antisemitism

Q1a. Has the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Definition of Antisemitism ('IHRA Definition') been adopted by Mid and East Antrim Borough Council? See [antisemitism.uk/definition](http://antisemitism.uk/definition) for more information about the IHRA Definition.

**NO**

Q1b. If the IHRA Definition has been adopted, please provide the date that the motion to do so was approved.

**N/A**

Q1c. If the IHRA Definition has been adopted, was the IHRA Definition adopted in its entirety including all of the examples?

**N/A**

Q1d. If all of the examples were not adopted, which ones were omitted?

Q1e. If the IHRA Definition has not been adopted at all, was there a motion to adopt the IHRA Definition which was defeated, and if so on what date was it defeated?

**NO**

Q1f. If the IHRA Definition has not yet been adopted, has adoption been timetabled?

**NO**

**Q2. Codes of Conduct**

Q2a. If adopted, has the IHRA Definition been incorporated into the officers' and employees' code of conduct and conditions of employment?

**N/A**

Q2b. Who is responsible for investigating or monitoring alleged breaches of the council's codes of conduct? Please provide their name, job title, e-mail address and direct telephone number.

***Human Resources***

**Q3. Complaints -**

Q3a. How many formal complaints of antisemitic conduct has Mid and East Antrim Borough Council considered between 1st January 2017 and 31st December 2018 against members, officers or council employees?

**None**

Q3b. How many complaints resulted in disciplinary action?

**N/A**

Q3b. How many complaints resulted in no disciplinary action?

**N/A**

**Q4. Equality, diversity & training**

Q4a. Do you have someone responsible for complying with Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's legal obligations in relation to equality and discrimination pursuant to S75 Northern Ireland Act 1998? Please provide their name, job title, e-mail address and direct telephone number.

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Q4b. What training does Mid and East Antrim Borough Council provide to its members, officers and employees specifically on antisemitism as opposed to generally against all forms of discrimination prohibited under the S75 Northern Ireland Act 1998?

***No specific training in relation to antisemitism***

Q4c. If such specific training on antisemitism is provided, is it conducted by Mid and East Antrim Borough Council in-house or is it outsourced to a training provider?

N/A

Q4d. If such specific training on antisemitism is outsourced, which organisation(s) provide the training?

N/A

Additional Detail

*Promoting Good Relations is a statutory function of Council. Through its Annual District Council Good Relations Action Plan, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council promotes positive relationships between persons of a different religious belief, political opinion and racial group. Each year the Council produces an Action Plan to tackle local issues around sectarianism and racism. Included in the Action Plan is an annual event to mark the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. The Good Relations Team works with the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust to develop the annual commemoration which is held in January. The aim of the annual commemoration is to embrace and reflect on the lessons which can be drawn, both globally and locally from the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. The programme also aims to raise awareness about the impact of division. Mid and East Antrim Borough Council wants everyone who lives in the Borough to feel welcome, safe, respected and celebrated and therefore Holocaust Memorial Day events are important and significant to Council in helping to achieve this goal.*

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/253/1920 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.