“The Church of England welcomes today's announcement to fund schemes tackling hate crime in communities and protect places of worship. Practical support to ensure places of worship, including churches, continue to be safe spaces helps our work in uniting communities, breaking down barriers and encouraging friendship.”

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Notes:

The announcement by the Home Office is here:

The Church of England supports a number of initiatives to encourage friendship between communities including Near Neighbours and Love Your Neighbour.