A STUDENT CAMPAIGN (AC3.1 and 3.2)

(a) AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The goal of this campaign is to raise awareness about homophobic hate crimes and their impact. It aims to:

- o Educate victims about available resources and offer them support.
- Make offenders aware that their actions cause harm and are considered crimes.
- Achieve 10,000 likes on social media platforms to spread the message widely.
- Create branded merchandise (e.g., t-shirts, hoodies, beanies, and wristbands) that promotes awareness among young people.
- Organize events, such as a cake sale and a drag fashion show, culminating in a rally at Luton Town Hall.

(b) TARGET AUDIENCE

The campaign is aimed at young people aged 16–25 in schools, colleges, and universities. This group is most likely to engage with the campaign and benefit from its focus. The target includes both victims, who need support and advice, and offenders, who need to understand the consequences of their actions.

(c) METHODS AND MATERIALS USED

The campaign will use three main methods to reach its goals:

Social Media:

- Social platforms like Twitter will be used because they are widely popular among young people and cost-effective.
- A hashtag will be created to encourage people to share their stories and experiences.
- o Campaign-related pages will raise awareness and engage followers.

Merchandise:

- o Items like **t-shirts**, **hoodies**, **beanies**, and **wristbands** with the **slogan** 'Halt the Hate, Heal with Pride' and a support contact number will be designed.
- Merchandise will be sold at schools, colleges, universities, and events.

Posters:

- Posters will have bold, attention-grabbing designs using colours associated with LGBTQ+ pride.
- These will be displayed in educational institutions, LGBTQ+ venues, and other high-traffic areas.

(d) FINANCE/BUDGET

The campaign has been carefully budgeted:

o 500 posters: £94

o 100 t-shirts: £179

o 600 wristbands: £319

Total production cost: £1,515

Sales of merchandise will generate an estimated £2,605, leaving a profit of £1,615 to fund additional efforts. The largest expense, a billboard near the A500 slip road, will be donated by the Luton Council Against Hate, saving costs.

(e) TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES

RESEARCH (3 WEEKS):

- Investigate statistics on hate crimes, the age and demographics of victims, and available support resources.
- o Explore real-life cases to understand the issue better.

DESIGN (1 MONTH)

- o Create logos and mock-ups for merchandise and posters.
- o Collaborate with printing companies and finalize social media layouts.

PRODUCTION (2.5 MONTHS):

- o Order and produce merchandise and posters.
- o Host events like a cake sale or sports event to raise additional funds.

IMPLEMENTATION (2 MONTHS):

- o Launch the campaign on Valentine's Day with events in Luton celebrating love and acceptance.
- Begin selling merchandise, putting up posters, and engaging with young people through talks in schools and colleges.
- o Promote through social media and live events to ensure maximum reach.

MATERIALS FOR MY CAMPAIGN





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