

## SECURITY NOTICE May 2021

CST has recorded a sharp rise in antisemitic incidents in the UK, linked to the conflict in Israel and Gaza. This includes verbal abuse, threats, and a very large amount of hatred in social media and online. We have also seen numerous anti-Israel demonstrations featuring large crowds of angry protestors, a minority of whom have used antisemitic chants or placards. This may heighten local tensions and potentially cause more antisemitism.

CST expects the levels of antisemitism to continue, or indeed worsen, until the conflict in Israel and Gaza subsides. CST's operations have increased because of the situation and we have asked all communal locations to fully enact their security procedures. **We ask that you please cooperate with all security personnel.** 

CST is in close contact with police and government, to help ensure the best possible protection for all our Jewish communities.

CST thanks you for your continued cooperation and support. We work in partnership with you so that our communal life is not defined by antisemitism, doing our best to ensure that British Jews can lead their lives as they choose.

Finally, we urge our community to be **calm but vigilant.** If you witness anything suspicious, please report this to police on 999 immediately and then CST.

If you experience antisemitism, please report to police on 999 (urgent ) / 101 (non-urgent) and then CST.

CST's 24-hour National Emergency Number is 0800 032 3263, please put this number in your contacts so it is available if you need it.

## Together We Protect, thank you, CST.