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Prevent Strategy and Duty

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Aims & Objectives

1. Introduction to Prevent

2. The Prevent Duty on Local Authority

3. Practical steps in implementing Prevent
What is Prevent?

The UK Government define Prevent as “Stopping people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.”

• Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat we face from those who promote it

• Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support and;

• Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to address
What is Prevent?

Safeguarding vulnerable people from radicalisation is no different from safeguarding from other forms of harm.

The context is what defines the type of grooming but vulnerable individuals could be susceptible to many forms of abuse, Child Sexual Exploitation, Gangs, Domestic Violence, Substance Misuse.

This places a duty on specified authorities to have “due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”.
Prevent Strategy and Steering Group

- Includes representatives from LA, police, Education, NELFT, probation, faith forum, faith and culture committee, voluntary services and the membership continues to increase.

- To develop and oversee the implementation of the Prevent Strategy 2016-18.

- To ensure that Prevent, as defined in the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015, is embedded into the boroughs practices and processes.

- To oversee the delivery of the Barking and Dagenham Prevent Delivery plan 2016-18.
Main priorities:

- Improving understanding and awareness of Prevent, extremism and recognising radicalisation
- Reducing the risk of vulnerable individuals to extremism
- To build community resilience to identify and challenge extremism
- To ensure that Prevent messaging is communicated effectively both within frontline services and to the wider community
Safeguarding

• There needs to be consistency in the reporting of safeguarding issues in relation to extremism.

• Working with the MASH team to ensure any concerns are first highlighted to them. This would mean any safeguarding issues are addressed immediately.

• Police Prevent Officer, Prevent Coordinator and MASH team manager meet regularly to discuss cases and identify if there is a need for referral to Prevent Case Management or Channel.
Prevent in Schools

THE DFE have provided guidance on how schools can meet the requirements of the Prevent duty.

• Risk assessment – Working in Partnership and Staff training (WRAP)

• Internet safety

• External lettings

• Improving resilience to being drawn into extremism

If you require any advice on any element of the Prevent Duty please contact me.
Home office funded projects

Four projects to engage the community and provide a safe platform to discuss ways in which people can be drawn into extremism and terrorism and the effects of this.

FAST
Families Against Stress & Trauma

Muslimah Matters

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17 year old Samuel is a natural gamer. He can beat anyone online and his 'Black Ops' scores are legendary. But in his mind, Samuel is playing a different game - one where the stakes are high, for both him and his family.

When a powerful new influence comes into his life, what happens when the fantasy of violence becomes a reality?
‘I.B.E’ stands for Identity, Belonging and Extremism and is a workshop based learning activity that uses animated content and narrative to develop key understanding in young people of issues related to Identity and Belonging.

The context of this understanding is based around the need to safeguard and develop young peoples awareness of the risks posed by extremism both in the online and offline worlds.

Using three short videos on the themes of Identity, Belonging and Extremism the videos express universal concerns and thoughts on various difficult and complex issues.

Dates will be circulated in due course.

Expected to be dates in January – March 2016
Any Questions?
References


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