

Overview of PREVENT actions

Middlesbrough Council
Culture and Communities Scrutiny Panel
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Counter Terrorism & Security Act 2015



Counter-Terrorism
and Security Act 2015

CHAPTER 6

Explanatory Notes have been produced to assist in the
understanding of this Act and are available separately

- The Counter Terrorism & Security Act 2015 S.26 of Act now places statutory duty on Councils to ***“have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”***
- Each individual department and their commissioned services have a statutory responsibility to embed the PREVENT duty within their service and practise

PREVENT is....

- PREVENT is about stopping people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. Its about tackling the vulnerability factors of individuals which can cause both young people and adults from being drawn into Terrorism.
- PREVENT aims to create resilience and empower individuals and Communities to stand up to extremists.
- PREVENT is there to protect vulnerable children and vulnerable adults from harm and to ensure they receive appropriate support to move them Away from the risk of radicalisation

.....SAFEGUARDING

What is PREVENT?

- CONTEST is the governments counter terrorism strategy released in 2011 and recently updated in 2018,the CONTEST plan is divided into 4 distinct categories to address extremism and terrorism:
- PREVENT-*those becoming terrorists or supporting terrorists*
- PURSUE- *to stop terrorist attacks*
- PROTECT – *to strengthen our protection against a terrorist attack*
- PREPARE- *to mitigate against the effects of a terrorist attack*

The CONTEST updated have largely been in relation to increased information sharing to partners in respect to all 4 aspects of PREVENT. Local Authorities have a statutory duty for PREVENT but have their own responsibilities to the organization under PROTECT but have no appointed lead for this currently

Training

- Implementation of MBC training plan for staff and commissioned services
- WRAP 3 train the trainer sessions expanded 1 day to cover Islam awareness and XRW groups and behaviours
- Several WRAP 3 train the trainer sessions held for LA employees, commissioned services, schools and partner authorities-57 accredited and trained
- Over 2600 staff received HM Government WRAP training
- HM PREVENT eLearning package also in use for staff (over 600 completed)
- Additional training provided on bespoke packages as required
- Quality assurance process in place to assess trainers for product consistency and suitable delivery




Middlesbrough Council
WRAP 3 Train the Trainer Event
 Monday 20th February 2017
 09.00-16.30 hours
 Middlesbrough Football Club

Agenda
Registration 9-9.30am
 > History of PREVENT 9.30 – 10.30
 > The WRAP Accreditation Process 10.30-11
 > WRAP 3 product 11-12 pm
 > Lunch
 > Islamic Awareness with Abu Tayeb 1- 3pm
 > Far Right & XRW 3 - 4

Mid- morning and afternoon tea/del




Young people & Schools




Saying
to Strangers! And being safe online
 Making sure we are safe when we are out and about

- PREVENT youth council with PREVENT poster competition
- Specific targeted work with schools around the basics of extremism where hate crime issues are identified as a concern
- Briefings for head teachers and school governors on responsibilities of PREVENT agenda
- Development and use of a live risk assessment for schools around responsibilities of PREVENT duty
- Specially created program around stranger danger followed by 4 school delivered presentations to KS 2 groups around countering extremism subjects such as rejecting racism, law and order, democracy and embracing diversity
- Regular e-briefings for school staff and governors around specific issues relating to safeguarding including sexting, PREVENT and online radicalisation
- Facilitated an all schools DSL's WRAP 3 delivery
- Working with schools to ensure their ICT systems have resilience and promoting ICT resilience awareness around the risk of extremism through the PREVENT twitter account and the Council's PREVENT webpage

Supporting Diversity- Rejecting Racism


UCA



Andy Shipley
Community Safety Officer
PREVENT-Reducing Rethinking

Law & Justice

PREVENT resource for Primary Schools




Safe Spaces

"A strong civil society is one that is not afraid to critique but which has people with the skills and dispositions to engage in this without violence"

Paul Giles, Rethinking Agenda
Commentary, September 2015

Safe spaces are opportunities for young people to discuss sensitive or taboo subjects like extremism in a comfortable and non-judgemental atmosphere. This activity should include discussions about religious and civic identities, concerns over national or international incidents, hate issues and sectarianism.

Safe spaces provide an ideal opportunity for young people to safely explore issues around extremism



Focus of PREVENT Operational Group

- Successful action plans discharged include:
- PREVENT Primary schools – increasing staff and parent awareness of PREVENT
- Prevent-Young persons (youth council, poster competition and involvement with BME young people around PREVENT)
- Prevent Messaging- electronic resource to facilitate PREVENT related updates of relevance for schools and professionals working with high risk groups to keep them updated
- PREVENT Safe Spaces-providing training for YOS and Stronger Families to facilitate “difficult conversations” with young people
- PREVENT Website, with recent additional pages including PREVENT-Travel to conflict zones, addition of the CTIRU red button and digital resilience for parents
- PREVENT-Young persons care homes work around online risk, statutory responsibilities and safe spaces practice
- PREVENT-Education review-ongoing inspections of schools across Middlesbrough to ensure statutory responsibility is completed (inspections completed by CSO and Education for safeguarding lead)

TERRORIST & EXTREMIST MATERIAL ONLINE INSPIRES HATRED. TOGETHER WE MUST STOP IT.

COMMUNITIES DEFEAT TERRORISM
MAKE NOTHING HAPPEN

#saynotoextremisminourcommunities

MiddlesbroughPREVENT
A useful app which we hope you will never need but has sound advice at the event of a terrorist related incident how to download

Raising Awareness Online

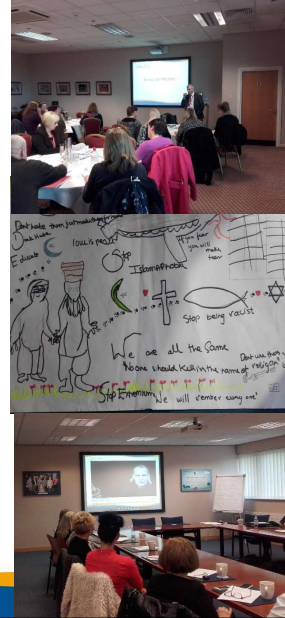
- In addition to the public facing council PREVENT pages a Twitter account was also created promoting useful safeguarding information along with both PREVENT and Counter Extremism messages, partners of high risk groups ,schools and other neighbouring authorities CSP leads have become followers along with national organisations such as Tell Mama and international organisations such as The Free Initiative

@MbrowPrevent

Current & Ongoing projects

- Travel to Conflict Zones awareness and referral training
- PREVENT awareness training on Far Right and Extreme Right Wing
- PREVENT Safe Spaces*
- PREVENT commissioned services review*-ongoing embedding of statutory duties and training provision
- Joint social media project with Derby Prevent to promote positive safeguarding ethos of PREVENT
- PREVENT Training*
- PREVENT Communications*
- Continual promotion through PREVENT communications of Action Counters Terrorism products including summer security, reporting online, Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit ,PREVENT referral pathway amongst others*
- Joint CRC Probation/NPS/Council/HMP project regarding radicalisation in secure placements

*Ongoing actions



Channel-the Safeguarding Response to the Risk

HOW CHANNEL WORKS

Channel is a voluntary, confidential programme which operates throughout England and Wales to safeguard people identified as vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism

PREVENT
SAFEGUARDING VULNERABLE PEOPLE
FROM BEING DRAWN INTO TERRORISM

Callum was a teenager whose teacher became aware of his involvement in promoting an extreme Far Right Facebook page. His school worked with the police, social care and a local youth group to support him through challenging the ideology he had developed. He now realises he had been heading down the wrong path.



- Channel is a programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism. The programme uses a multi-agency approach to protect vulnerable people by:
- identifying individuals at risk
- assessing the nature and extent of that risk
- developing the most appropriate support plan for the individuals concerned

Useful Resources

- Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit <https://www.gov.uk/report-terrorism>
- See it report it <http://seeitreportit.org/>
- The Prevent Duty
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/439598/prevent-duty-departmental-advice-v6.pdf
- CONTEST 2018 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counter-terrorism-strategy-contest-2018>
- The Home Office CHANNEL Duty Guidance is available from:
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/425189/Channel_Duty_Guidance_April_2015.pdf

E-learning products

For those of you whom have not yet completed WRAP 3 IT is advisable you complete the following e-learning package* www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk (upon your completion please email myself your name department ,date completed and the certificate reference number) and also complete the recommended CHANNEL e-learning course http://course.ncalt.com/Channel_General_Awareness/01/index.html