

Prevent Matters in Dorset – Education

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What is Prevent?

Prevent is about safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

The Prevent strategy:

- Responds to the ideological challenge we face from terrorism and aspects of extremism, and the threat we face from those who promote these views;
- Provides practical help to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure they are given appropriate advice and support; and
- Works with a wide range of sectors (including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, online and health) where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to deal with.

Prevent covers all forms of terrorism and extremism and uses a range of measures to challenge extremism including:

- Supporting people who are at risk of being drawn into terrorist or extremist activity through the Channel process (multi-agency safeguarding panels),
- Working with and supporting projects which provide services and support to vulnerable people
- Working with faith groups and institutions to assist them in providing support
- Supporting local education providers and partner agencies through engagement, advice and training.

The Pan-Dorset Prevent Partnership provides a forum to promote co-operation between partners to fulfil their statutory requirements as set out by the Prevent duty.



Current Prevent priorities within Dorset include:

- Terrorist use of online space and an increased use of the internet by young people
- Self-initiated terrorism – those who are radicalised without face to face contact with extremist groups
- The rise of right-wing extremism and cases with unclear, mixed or unstable ideologies
- Travel for terrorism purposes

In current times risk and vulnerability around online safety, exploitation and radicalisation has increased, and people seeking to groom and exploit others are actively using the internet, social media and online gaming to target children, young people and adults.

Educators have a key role to play in reducing vulnerability and risk through raising awareness of exploitation and radicalisation with colleagues, students, families and communities and through being proactive in identifying and reporting concerns.

Training Update

New e-learning packages covering Channel Panel Awareness & How to Make Good Prevent Referrals have been released and the general Prevent package has also been updated. Links to the training packages can be found here:

Prevent Referrals:

<https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/preventreferrals>

Channel Awareness:

<https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/channelawareness>

Original E-Learning:

<https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/>

BP College launches Prevent Impact Video!

As a result of the work that Bournemouth and Poole College has done, around raising awareness and understanding of Prevent amongst its students, a new video, created by students and staff has been launched. This video showcases the work and impact of Prevent on students at the college and was coordinated through the very active Students' Union that the College has. The video has been shared internally amongst staff to raise best practice ideas on how to further develop understanding of Prevent across the curriculum and also will be shown to new students as part of their tutorial programme.

The video can be found using the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u2QxTQRceRk>

If there are any questions or if anyone would like to discuss further please do not hesitate to contact Lloyd Perry, Head of Student Support at the College by email perrylj@bpc.ac.uk

Useful Websites & Resources

Educate Against Hate: <https://educateagainsthate.com/>

Act Early: [ACT Early | Prevent radicalisation](#)

Let's Talk About It: <https://www.ltai.info/>

London Grid for Learning: [Counter-Extremism \(lgfl.org.uk\)](https://www.lgfl.org.uk)

Fact or Fake – BBC Bitesize: [Fact or fake - BBC Bitesize](#)

Education & Training Foundation: [Prevent for Further Education and Training – Complying with the Prevent Duty \(preventforfeandtraining.org.uk\)](#)

Prevent- An Introduction: [Prevent: An Introduction - YouTube](#)

Connect Futures: <https://www.connectfutures.org/>

Commission for Countering Extremism:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/commission-for-countering-extremism>

Incels: A Guide to Symbols & terminology <https://moonshotteam.com/incels-symbols-and-terminology/>

How to report: In an emergency always call 999

For Prevent referrals in Dorset contact the Prevent Team by completing the National Referral Form available here: <https://www.dorset.police.uk/help-advice-crime-prevention/personal-safety/major-terror-incidents/prevent/>

Or contact the Prevent Team on 01202 229337 or PreventReferrals@Dorset.pnn.police.uk

Further information

Concerns can also be reported to the Police on 101 or the Anti-terrorism hotline: 0800 789321

To report extremist online material, visit: <https://www.gov.uk/report-terrorism>

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