

PREVENT

Guidance for schools and childcare providers on preventing children and young people from being drawn into terrorism.

Preventing Terrorism and Radicalisation within our Communities

Terrorism can occur anywhere in the world with atrocities carried out in support of various ideologies. There is no single definition of terrorism but it commonly refers to criminal acts intended to provoke a state of terror in the general public.

The most serious threat we face in the UK is from international terrorism linked to or influenced by Al-Qaeda; who wrongly use religion to justify their actions. However, terrorism can be motivated by a range of ideologies or other factors, including religion, politics and race. In the UK the extreme right wing groups and single issue groups such as animal rights campaigners can post a significant threat.

What is Prevent?

Prevent is part of the Government's counter-terrorism strategy that aims to stop people becoming terrorists. It is a multi-agency approach to safeguard people at risk of radicalisation.

How does Prevent work?

It looks at building a deeper understanding of how individuals become radicalised. This helps to identify ways of preventing people from becoming terrorists or supporting violent extremism.

Typically, a radicalisation process includes exposure of an individual to extremist viewpoints that may eventually influence the person to carry out an act of violent extremism or terrorism. This could take week, months or even years. It is possible to intervene during this process and stop someone becoming a terrorist or supporting violent extremist activity.

Useful Contacts and Information:

[Educate Against Hate](#)

[Preventing Children from Radicalisation: the Prevent Duty](#)

[HM Government page on Prevent](#)

[HM Government Prevent Training](#)

[Dorset Council Page on Prevent](#)

[Counter Terrorism Prevent Page](#)

If you believe someone is at risk of radicalisation you can help them obtain support and prevent them becoming involved by raising your concerns and making a referral, either to the Academy Safeguarding Lead, or contact the Safeguarding Referral Unit: sru@dorset.pnn.police.uk

Telephone Contacts:

Anti-terrorist hotline: 0800 789 321

Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111

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