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Bury Prevent Newsletter

Welcome to January's newsletter providing information and guidance in relation to Prevent in Bury. The focus on Prevent is to safeguard against hateful extremism.

Prevent is one part of the government's overall counter-terrorism strategy, CONTEST which aims to:

- tackle the ideological causes of terrorism.
- intervene early to support people susceptible to radicalisation.
- enable those who have already engaged in terrorism to disengage and support behaviour change.

Hello from Roy Thickett and Bury Council

Hello and welcome from Roy Thickett and Bury Council.

Hope everyone had a good Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Wishing you and yours a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

We hope you are having a great week!

In January's newsletter we are going to look at Protect UK. The online site was launched in 2022.

ProtectUK is a new central hub for counter terrorism and security advice.

Whether you're a business owner, work in security, or are a member of the public, register with Protect to become part of the community and receive the latest news and online courses that will enable you to be better protected.



You can contact Roy by email to prevent@bury.gov.uk or call 07581020228

Or for further information go to:

<https://www.bury.gov.uk/privacy/service-privacy-notice/prevent-and-channel-panel-privacy-notice>

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Protect UK

The UK Counter Terrorism Policing's winter campaign is more than halfway through and has already reached millions of people.

The annual campaign launched at the end of October, just a few weeks after the events in the Middle East escalated, highlighting the need for people to continue to be alert.

ProtectUK members have been instrumental in their support, engaging with partners and sharing key messages to businesses and their staff, encouraging them to report anything that doesn't feel right.

To date there have been almost 3000 unique downloads of the assets from the campaign toolkit, an increase of 600 per cent compared to last year and as a counter terrorism policing network we have reached out to in the region of 1000 organisations, businesses and police forces throughout England and Wales.

In house social media activity has seen more than 3.3 million people reached with over 7000 click throughs to [Gov.uk/ACT](https://www.gov.uk/ACT).

This is being supported by a paid for social media plan and digital screens located close to key Christmas markets/shopping malls.

Further details around Protect UK

View the latest advice and guidance: Find the best [advice and guidance](#) for you and look through the wide range of documents that are available to you. If interested in looking at how to ensure your business keeps moving, check out Response. Looking for ways to protect your staff and prepare them?

Have a look at the Security section. If there are any specific types of guidance that you are looking for that you cannot currently find on our site, please use the [feedback form](#)

Perform a risk assessment: Visit the [Security Risk Management page](#) and follow the steps to perform a risk assessment, helping you to improve your organisations risk management.

Get interactive: Perform the award winning [ACT awareness e-learning](#) to bolster your security knowledge. If you have questions around security or want to increase your knowledge, start a discussion on our forums and speak to other business professionals on key topics.

Read our news articles: Our [news](#) articles will give the latest updates on the world of counter terrorism, threat analysis from our analysts, and general updates on the ProtectUK platform.

Sign up to webinars: Sign up to the [webinars](#) we host. Over time we will continue to update the range of webinars that we are offering, allowing you to get live or pre-recorded advice from authoritative voices within the industry, helping you stay on top of the latest in counter terrorism and security.

Register to get full access to the platform: To be able to get the most out of ProtectUK [register today](#).



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National Picture

Threat level

The threat to the UK from terrorism is currently substantial.

This indicates that an attack is likely. It is the middle of the 5 levels of threat which terrorism is assessed against, with the level set by the Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre and the Security Service.

New Prevent Duty Toolkit for Local Authorities

Under section 29 of the counter terrorism and security act of 2015, Local Authorities (LAs) are required to have due regard to preventing people from being drawn into terrorism.

[A new toolkit](#) supports the delivery of Prevent by LAs, providing examples of good and best practice. It does not supersede statutory guidance but does highlight benchmarks for typical expectations of local authorities delivering Prevent.

A new section has been added to the Prevent guidance on using the National Referral Form and the 'Notice, Check, Share' process. Professionals may wish to adopt this process if they have concerns about radicalisation.

Notice - any concerning behaviour, including signs of radicalisation as included in the guidance

Check - the organisational response and speak to the safeguarding lead of your concerns. This means that you will have all the relevant information before sharing.

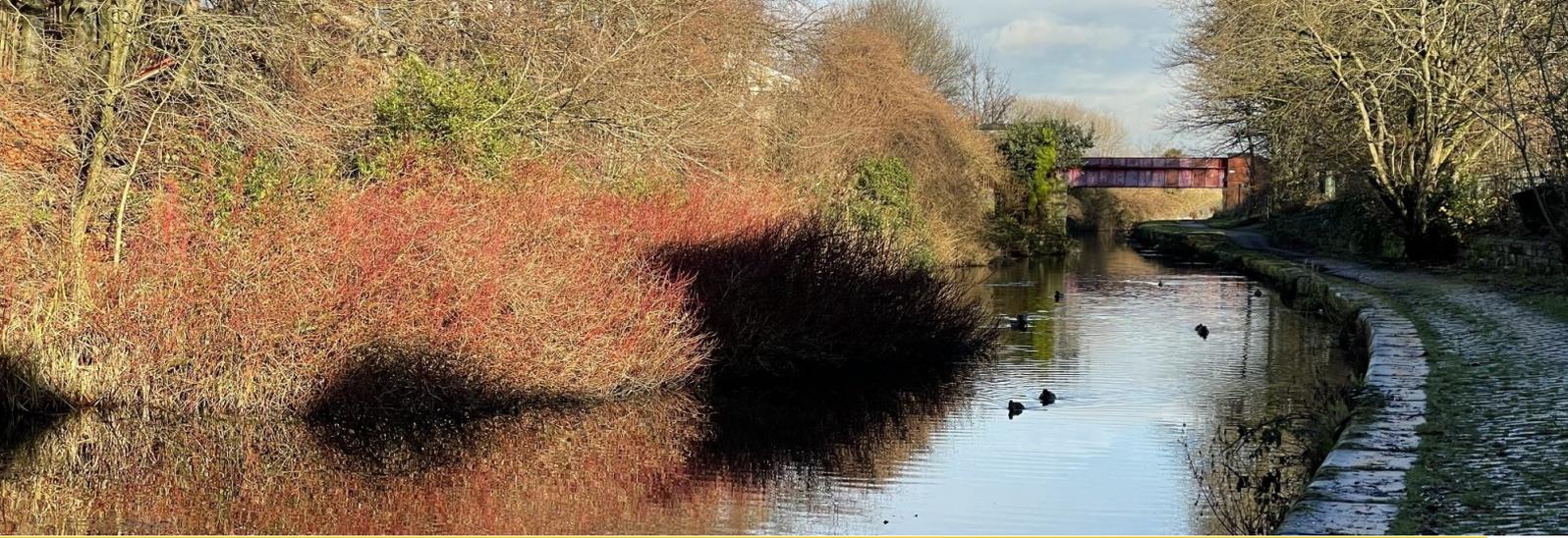
Share - the concern and make a referral to the police using the national referral form.

Implications for Bury:

Bury Council should review all of the above recommendations and consider implementation of those which are not already in place. Contact hilja.jeffery@bury.gov.uk for more in-depth of information on any of the recommendations, including best practice.

Addressing common myths about Prevent

Common myth that Prevent doesn't work. You may have read something like this in the papers or online. Many people have been helped as part of the Prevent programme and that can be a very positive outcome. If less lives are lost to violence and extremism because of a persons' participation in the Prevent programme that is a measure that cannot be quantified.



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Guidance: get help for radicalisation



Since 2017, we have seen an average of 9 attempted terror attacks per year.

The government's CONTEST policy paper sets out a strategy to not only stop attacks, but also to prevent radicalisation and extremism happening in the first place.

The government's main priority is to make use of the full potential of their Counter-Terrorism Operations Centre (CTOC) to bring together the right teams and technology to disrupt and prevent terrorists, also bringing in expertise from other, non-law enforcement sectors such as education and social services, as well as international partners and allies.

The strategy is divided into 4 sections covering the areas of our world-leading counter-terrorism programme. These are:

- **Prevent** – to stop people from becoming terrorists to supporting terrorism.
- **Pursue** – to stop terrorist attacks in this country or UK interests overseas.
- **Protect** – to strengthen our position against a terrorist attack.
- **Prepare** – to minimise the impact of an attack and reduce the likelihood of further attacks.
- There are also efforts that go beyond CONTEST to make transformational improvements to response. For example, the government supports the public and private sector to become partners in prevention by increasing public messaging to ensure that they are informed about the routes to report, keeping safe, and responding to incidents. They will strengthen our border lines against terrorism and invest in relationships with the technology sector to explore opportunities and threats arising from technology, suppressing criminal exploitation of the internet.



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Upcoming Training

Prevent duty training

Learn how to support people susceptible to radicalisation | Prevent duty training at:

www.support-people-vulnerable-to-radicalisation.service.gov.uk

Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent (WRAP) Training

This training is to raise awareness of PREVENT and CHANNEL as a strategy to reduce the number of people becoming or supporting violent extremism through recognising, supporting, and protecting people who might be susceptible to radicalisation through multi-agency support.

This session is open to all and includes:

- How young people and adults are radicalised.
- The signs of radicalisation.
- Local and national tensions
- How Prevent supports safeguarding vulnerable individuals against extremism and radicalisation
- What to do if you think a person is being radicalised.

Upcoming Online WRAP sessions are:

- Face to face workshops are encouraged by The Home Office and these can be booked to suit via the address below.

To book a place, please contact prevent@bury.gov.uk

Upcoming webinars by SAFE

(Safety Advice for Everybody) through Community Security Trust

For further information and to book onto sessions go to [SAFE Events Hub \(zoom.us\)](https://events.zoom.us/j/9J2FJjr6sdw~AggLXsr32QYFjq8BIYLZ5I06Dg) (<https://events.zoom.us/j/9J2FJjr6sdw~AggLXsr32QYFjq8BIYLZ5I06Dg>)

This winter, please join us for our free webinar programme - our current schedule is shown below:

- 17 January 2pm, **Basic Security**
- 25 January 2pm, **Hate Crime**
- 31 January 2pm, **Organising Security**
- 7 February 12pm, **Countering Radicalisation and Changing Mindsets**
- 15 February 12pm, **Women's Safety**
- 22 February 2pm, Exploring the Far Right



HATE CRIME

AMBASSADOR & REPORTING CENTRE TRAINING

MONDAY 5 FEBRUARY BURY TOWN HALL

- Understanding current definitions and the strands of Hate Crime
- The impact of Hate Crime on individuals and communities
- Recognising barriers and encouraging reporting and offering support
- How to report possible hate crimes or hate incidents
- What happens after reporting a hate crime or an incident
- Dealing with hate crime within organisations and groups
- Clear definition of the role of a Hate Crime Ambassador
- Certified recognition of becoming a Third-party Hate Crime Reporting Centre (TPRC)

The course also includes videos, interactive scenarios, and challenges to re-enforce the participant's knowledge of the areas covered and help them to apply the learning to their working environment



Bury Town Hall, The Elizabethan Suite



Event time | 10:00am - 12:30pm



To confirm your place contact Roy Thickett Policy Officer
Email: r.thickett@bury.gov.uk





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Useful Resources

- www.protectuk.police.uk
- Counter terrorism support & guidance to effectively protect and prepare.
- [Prevent and Channel factsheet - 2023 - Home Office in the media \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk/2023/07/prevent-and-channel-factsheet-2023)
- Overview of the Prevent agenda and Channel process
- [What are the signs of radicalisation? | ACT Early](https://www.actearly.org.uk/what-are-the-signs-of-radicalisation)
- Find out more about the signs that someone may be vulnerable to radicalisation.
- [Protecting charities from abuse for extremist purposes - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/protecting-charities-from-abuse-for-extremist-purposes) – guide on how trustees, staff and volunteers can protect their charity from abuse by those encouraging extremism.
- [Radicalisation and child protection | NSPCC Learning](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/learning-and-resources/radicalisation-and-child-protection) – online resource from the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children
- Education Colleagues – your Designated Safeguarding Leads have received a Prevent Education Handbook

For further information please visit www.bury.gov.uk/prevent or email prevent@bury.gov.uk

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Changes to Prevent - Responsible Venue Hire & Reducing Permissive Environments

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