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# Bury Prevent Newsletter

Welcome to July's edition of Bury's Prevent newsletter.

The focus on Prevent is to safeguard against hateful extremism – by creating environments where concerns can be recognised early, and support offered before harm occurs.

Prevent is one part of the government's overall counter-terrorism strategy, CONTEST. The aim of Prevent is 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.

Together, through awareness and early action, we can protect vulnerable people and strengthen our communities against all forms of radicalisation.

## Hello from Roy Thickett and Bury Council

As summer gets into full swing, we're continuing our commitment to keeping Bury a safe, inclusive, and resilient community for everyone.

This month, we're sharing updates about local initiatives, training opportunities, and inspiring stories that highlight the power of community-led prevention.

Whether you're a partner, practitioner, parent, or young person, there's something here for you.

Let's work together to challenge extremism, promote understanding, and build a stronger, safer Bury!

**“Hot July brings cooling showers,  
Apricots and gillyflowers.”**

Sara Coleridge



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## Reducing Permissive Environments

### Creating Safer Spaces for Our Communities



Volunteers at The Polish Centre receiving their certificates

This month, we're proud to shine a spotlight on the launch of the Reducing Permissive Environments training package, a vital step in safeguarding our community venues from being misused to spread extremist or hateful views.

The first community group session was successfully delivered at The Polish Centre.

This was quickly followed by the dedicated staff of Bury's families and Childrens Centres and volunteers of Topping Fold and Chesham Tenant and Residents Association, who also completed the programme with great enthusiasm and commitment.

This training empowers staff and volunteers to confidently ask the right questions when handling room bookings, helping ensure that our spaces remain welcoming, inclusive, and free from harm.

#### Prevent Venue Hire Guidance

<https://www.bury.gov.uk/my-neighbourhood/safety-in-the-community/prevent/prevent-venue-hire-guidance>

For further information, training opportunities, or to connect with your local Prevent team, please contact [prevent@bury.gov.uk](mailto:prevent@bury.gov.uk)





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## Community Cohesion and Global Events

Bury Council continues to work closely with the Community Cohesion Unit (CCU) in the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to monitor and respond to any emerging community tensions, including those potentially linked to international conflicts. This partnership ensures that concerns are addressed while also celebrating the borough's ongoing positive work around cohesion.

### Did you know?

On Monday 30 June 2025, the Government laid an order before Parliament, which amended Schedule 2 to the Terrorism Act 2000 (TACT) by adding Palestine Action Group, the Russian Imperial Movement (RIM) and Maniacs Murder Cult (MMC) to the list of proscribed organisations.

This order came into force on the 5 of July 2025. Further information on proscription is available at: [Proscribed terrorist groups or organisations - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/topics/terrorism)

Under the Terrorism Act 2000, the Home Secretary may proscribe an organisation if they believe it is concerned in terrorism, and it is proportionate to do. For the purposes of the act, this means that the organisation:

- commits or participates in acts of terrorism
- prepares for terrorism
- promotes or encourages terrorism (including the unlawful glorification of terrorism)
- is otherwise concerned in terrorism

Proscription makes it a criminal offence to:

- belong, or profess to belong, to a proscribed organisation in the UK or overseas

- invite support for a proscribed organisation (the support invited need not be material support, such as the provision of money or other property, and can also include moral support or approval)
- express an opinion or belief that is supportive of a proscribed organisation, reckless as to whether a person to whom the expression is directed will be encouraged to support a proscribed organisation
- arrange, manage or assist in arranging or managing a meeting in the knowledge that the meeting is to support or further the activities of a proscribed organisation, or is to be addressed by a person who belongs or professes to belong to a proscribed organisation
- in such a way or in such circumstances as to arouse reasonable suspicion that the individual is a member or supporter of a proscribed organisation
- publish an image of an item of clothing or other article, such as a flag or logo





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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.

On 16 July 2025, the Lessons for Prevent report by Lord Anderson was laid in Parliament along with a written ministerial statement by the Home Secretary.

You can access the report [Lessons for Prevent - GOV.UK](#) and the statement [Written statements - Written questions, answers and statements - UK Parliament](#) online. The government has welcomed the report and has committed to act immediately on its findings.

### Notice. Check. Share.

A new section also outlines the 'Notice, Check, Share' process to help professionals respond to radicalisation concerns:

- Notice – something concerning in behaviour or views.
- Check – with your safeguarding lead to gather context.
- Share – make a referral using the National Prevent Referral Form.

Safeguarding is everyone's business, and it is important to respond to any concerns through a Prevent referral, including with regards to any fascination with violence, even in the absence of an specific extremist ideology.





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## Upcoming training

### Prevent duty training:

[Learn how to support people susceptible to radicalisation | Prevent duty training \(www.support-people-vulnerable-to-radicalisation.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.support-people-vulnerable-to-radicalisation.service.gov.uk)







### **NEW: Home Office Level 3 Prevent Training (Replaces WRAP)**


The Home Office's new face to face Level 3 Prevent Training replaces the old WRAP course and is aimed at frontline professionals and community groups who have direct contact with young people and members of the public in a caseload or direct setting. Includes sectors like education, alternative education, holiday clubs, health, social care, housing, and justice.

This free, advanced session helps you understand how to spot the signs of radicalisation and respond safely through a multi-agency approach.

### **What You'll Learn**

By the end of the workshop, you'll:

-  Understand what Prevent and Channel are.
-  Recognise risk factors and signs of radicalisation.
-  Know how Prevent applies to your role.
-  Learn to use the Notice, Check, Share approach.
-  Understand local risks and referral pathways.
-  Feel confident about what to do if you're concerned.

 Open to all staff.

To book a place or to discuss please contact [prevent@bury.gov.uk](mailto:prevent@bury.gov.uk)



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## Upcoming webinars

Held by SAFE (Safety Advice for Everybody) through the Community Security Trust

For further information and to book onto sessions: [SAFE Events Hub \(zoom.us\)](https://events.zoom.us/j/9J2FJjr6sdw~AggLXsr32QYFjq8BIYLZ5l06Dg)

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### September

10 Sept - 1pm, **Hate Crime** (the complexity of hate crime)

18 Sept 6pm **Exploring the Far Right** (the state of the far right in the UK)

Some useful links and documents can be found by scanning our Linktree.

Scan this QR code to find out more







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## GMP Triage for referrals to Channel

For a pre-discussion and information and guidance around the suitability of submitting a referral for Channel you can contact CTPNW (Counter Terrorism Policing Northwest). (CTPNW) is a five-force collaboration delivering Counter Terrorism (CT) services to our regional forces as well as forming part of the national CT Network.

Staff at CTPNW can advise and support on whether the referral will be appropriate.

Tel: 0161 856 6362 Email: [channel.project@gmp.police.uk](mailto:channel.project@gmp.police.uk)

For further information please visit [www.bury.gov.uk/prevent](http://www.bury.gov.uk/prevent) or email [prevent@bury.gov.uk](mailto:prevent@bury.gov.uk)

## Useful Resources

- [www.protectuk.police.uk/](http://www.protectuk.police.uk/) - counter terrorism support & guidance
- Prevent and Channel factsheet - 2023 - Home Office in the media (blog.gov.uk) – Overview of the Prevent agenda and Channel process <https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2023/02/08/prevent-and-channel-factsheet-2023/>
- What are the signs of radicalisation? ACT Early - find out more about the signs that someone may be vulnerable to radicalisation. <https://actearly.uk/spot-the-signs-of-radicalisation/what-to-look-for/>
- Protecting charities from abuse for extremist purposes - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) – guide on how trustees, staff and volunteers can protect their charity from abuse by those encouraging extremism. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protecting-charities-from-abuse-for-extremist-purposes>
- Radicalisation and child protection NSPCC Learning – online resource from the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/safeguarding-child-protection/radicalisation>
- Education colleagues – your Designated Safeguarding Leads have received a Prevent Education Handbook

For further information please visit [www.bury.gov.uk/prevent](http://www.bury.gov.uk/prevent) or email [prevent@bury.gov.uk](mailto:prevent@bury.gov.uk)