

Welcome to June'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. 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.

Hello from Roy Thickett and Bury Council

Hello and welcome to the latest edition of our monthly newsletter!

We're excited to share with you some exciting updates and news from Bury.

As the days get longer and the temperatures rise, June marks the official start of summer and all the joy and excitement that comes with it.

> "June fills the world with the sweet scent of possibilities, setting the stage for optimism and potential."

> > Sarah Dessen

In June's newsletter just, before the summer break in education, we are going to look at the Educate against Hate online resource to help support educational staff to support discussion around prevent with young people and students.



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Educate against Hate online resource

The platform offers a wealth of lesson plans, gives government advice and trusted resources and posters to staff and professionals working with young people to give them confidence and factual information to help safeguard students from radicalisation, build resilience to all types of extremism and to promote shared values.

There are also sections which offer information and advice to parents and additional classroom resources.

For further info go to:.

https://www.educateagainsthate.com/

Classroom resources Archives - Educate Against Hate

https://www.educateagainsthate.com/category/teachers/classroom-resources/

Did you know?

Bury Prevent education team has been busy, the last couple of months across schools delivering WRAP training to staff.

We have been looking at refreshing, updating, and delivering Prevent education training packages for children as part of their PSHE curriculum as well as organising new training to be delivered for you throughout 2024!

We have been very pleased to receive positive feedback from many of you who have received our recent training sessions, we work hard to bring interesting and meaningful sessions for you all.



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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. It can be found here:

(https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1182 802/Prevent_duty_guidance_toolkit_for_local_authorities.pdf)

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 prevent@bury.gov.ukf or more in-depth of information on any of the recommendations, including best practice.





Guidance: get help for radicalisation

Since 2017, there has been 14 terror attacks in the UK.

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 form 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.

Addressing common myths about Prevent

The Prevent duty puts a greater burden on teachers.

Schools have always sought to protect children from a wide range of risks and protecting them from the threats of extremism is no different from other safeguarding duties.

Helping children understand potential safeguarding dangers and develop values of respect and tolerance has always been a core part of a school's role.



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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)

Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent (WRAP) Training

WRAP (Workshop to Raise Awareness around Prevent) is a home office training package designed for front-line staff in the private and public sector including professionals, social services, housing, the health sector, probation service, offender management units, family protection units & employment services.

The training is designed 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 covers:

- 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:

- 18 July 6-7pm
- 17 October 6-7pm

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



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Upcoming webinars by SAFE (Safety Advice for Everybody) through the **Community Security Trust**

For more information and to book onto sessions: SAFE Events Hub (zoom.us)

https://events.zoom.us/eo/AiMZc0RzletAMSzwOhVnGB5kjMCxcl3lY5p1WXT-9J2FJjr6sdw ~AggLXsr32QYFjq8BIYLZ5I06Dg

- 20 June noon, Basic Security for your Community (raise your awareness of community security)
- 2 July 6pm, Incels (asking the question are they villains or victims?)
- 8 July 6pm, Event Security with the London Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC)
- 16 July 2pm, Hostile Reconnaissance (the information gathering phase of attack planning)
- 24 July 7pm, Safeguarding Awareness (introduction to safeguarding and how you can play your part)
- 30 July 12:30pm, School Security (we share our experience of keeping schools, and children, secure)



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

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

Useful Resources

- www.protectuk.police.uk/ counter terrorism support & guidance to effectively protect & prepare.
- 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

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