

# **PREVENT** **Policy**



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**St John's C.E. (C) Primary School**  
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**This policy should be read in conjunction with the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.**

**All the information below is written by the Kirklees Safeguarding Partnership, which St John's C E (C) Primary School are an active part of.**

## **Prevent**

### **What is PREVENT?**

The National Prevent Strategy, published by the government in 2011, is part of the UK's overall counter-terrorism strategy known as CONTEST. The aim of the Prevent Strategy is to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism by focusing on the following 3 objectives;

1. Challenging ideology that supports terrorism and those who promote it;
2. Protecting vulnerable individuals from being drawn into terrorism through appropriate advice and support
3. Supporting sectors and institutions where there is a risk of radicalisation

### **Safeguarding Factsheet 10**

A collaborative piece of work produced by Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB), Kirklees Safeguarding Children Board (KSCB) and Community Safety Partnerships (CSP).

This Safeguarding factsheet will inform you about:

- The basics
- Legislation
- The Kirklees perspective
- Channel
- More information and contact details

## Prevent Duty

Section 26 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 placed a statutory duty on specified authorities to have due regards to the need to Prevent People from being drawn into terrorism.

Specified authorities outlined within this duty include Local Authorities, Police Schools, Further and Higher Education, Health, Prisons and Probation.

The Prevent duty was introduced on 1 July 2015 to ensure that authorities have a consistent approach to the delivery of Prevent across the UK and to enhance efforts to prevent terrorism by responding to the ideological challenge of terrorism and dissuading people from travelling to Syria and Iraq.

- [Prevent duty guidance](#)

## The Kirklees Approach to Prevent

The Kirklees Prevent Strategy tackles all forms of extremism and contributes towards the delivery of the “Protecting people from serious harm” theme within the Kirklees Community Safety Partnership Plan. This theme requires significant collaborative working between the Community Safety Partnership and the Safeguarding Boards for Adults and Children. In common with other areas (such as Human Trafficking and Child Sexual Exploitation) within this theme, the Kirklees Prevent Strategy recognises that there is no single factor to radicalisation and that vulnerabilities in individuals, along with a lack of protective factors can make an individual vulnerable to radicalisation.

## What is Channel

“Channel is a multi-agency safeguarding programme run in every local authority in England and Wales. It works to support vulnerable people from being drawn into terrorism and provides a range of support such as mentoring, counselling and assistance with employment support etc. Channel is about early intervention to protect vulnerable people from being drawn into committing terrorist-related activity and addresses all types of extremism.

If an individual is referred to Channel, participation is voluntary. It is up to the person, or their parents (for children aged 17 and under), to decide whether to take up the support it offers. Channel does not lead to a criminal record.

The Kirklees Channel panel is chaired by Carol Gilchrist, Head of Safe and Cohesive Communities and meetings are held every six weeks. For more information on

the Kirklees Channel Panel or to discuss a concern please call Kirklees Prevent on 01924 483747.

- [Channel Duty Guidance](#)

## Local resources

If you have a Prevent concern please contact:

- Daniel Dearnley – Channel Coordinator
- [Daniel.Dearnley@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:Daniel.Dearnley@kirklees.gov.uk)
- Tel: 07976 497 849

If you have a Prevent concern and would like further advice please contact the Prevent Hub on Tel: 01924 483747.

All other Prevent enquiries, including training, can be directed to the Prevent Hub email address [Prevent@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:Prevent@kirklees.gov.uk)

- [Prevent Referral Guidance for Partners](#)
- [1.4.42 Safeguarding Children and Young people against Radicalisation and Violent Extremism \(proceduresonline.com\)](#)
- [Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board](#)
- [Safer Kirklees – Community Safety Partnership](#)
- [Community Safety Partnership Strategic Plan](#)

## National Resources

The internet and social media provides many opportunities for those with extreme views to target young or vulnerable individuals. The Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit put considerable effort into removing terrorist and extremist material however communities defeat terrorism, which is why we must maintain the strong relationship between the public and police. Police depend on information from the public in our efforts to keep us all safe and we are asking anyone who has concerns about online content to report it by clicking the STOP Terrorists' & Extremists' Online button.

- [Report Online Terrorist & Extremist Material Here](#)
- [Prevent Tragedies](#)

## **Summary of the Kirklees PREVENT Approach**

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## Contact

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## Inclusion and Equality

In line with our Equality Policy and Accessibility Plan we are committed to providing an environment that is transparent and accessible by all. Each child, staff member

and parent/carer is valued, respected and challenged regardless of race, gender, religion, social background, culture or disability.

### **Policy Monitoring and Review**

This policy will be reviewed following the annual Safeguarding Policy Review Cycle of the school or when there are significant changes to the curriculum that warrant it. It may also be reviewed earlier should it no longer comply with school practice or the legal requirements of schools.

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**Approved by (Chair of Governors):** ..... **Date:** .....

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