



Prevent

Prevent is the Government's strategy to stop people becoming involved in, or supporting, terrorism in all its forms. Prevent works with individuals and communities by using voluntary early intervention to encourage them to challenge extremist and terrorist ideology and behaviour.

Prevent is safeguarding. In the same way that support is provided to people at risk of involvement with anti social behaviour, gangs, drugs or other forms of harm, individuals vulnerable to being groomed into radicalisation can also be helped.

Community engagement is key. We work with voluntary and community groups to raise awareness of the Prevent agenda and to make sure communities, and professionals, know how and when to share concerns.



Your local contacts

While Prevent is a national strategy, it is delivered by Local Authorities, and many agencies such as schools have obligations under the Prevent Duty. In conjunction with our partners, where safeguarding concerns are serious, we can provide tailored support to vulnerable residents.

What is Channel? Channel is a safeguarding panel which supports Prevent. It is a confidential and voluntary process where safeguarding professionals meet to discuss options which can be offered to vulnerable residents.

If you would like further information, have a query or concern, or want to receive Prevent training, please contact community.safety@bexley.gov.uk or call **020 8303 7777**.

What Prevent is	What Prevent does
A national strategy	Aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism in all its form
Concerned with all forms of extremism	Addresses vulnerabilities to radicalisation in all its forms, including the extreme far right, the extreme far left, groups such as Daesh or any other form of extremist ideology
A voluntary support service	Offers non compulsory safeguarding support to vulnerable residents who have the final say about whether to accept support or not
Committed to providing support for those who want and need it	Ensures all referrals are genuine, appropriate and managed sensitively
Tailored to each individual	Provides various forms of free support to individuals including mentoring, employment support, sporting activities and discussions with faith leaders or credible ideological experts

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