

Radicalisation and Extremism – Prevent Duty

The Prevent Duty (Section 26 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act, 2015), places the responsibility on Local Authorities and Schools to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. Parrs Wood High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our students and fully support in all aspects of the Government Prevent Strategy. Our school recognises the importance of safeguarding our young people against the risks of radicalisation. All Parrs Wood community members are expected to uphold and promote the fundamental principles of FRED – Freedom, Respect, Equality and Diversity. The principles of FRED are based on British Values which are also taught and promoted throughout schools to all our students. We promote opportunities for our young people to be given a safe space to explore British Values and consider what they mean in our multicultural society; everyone should be treated with respect whatever their race, gender, sexuality, religious belief, special need or disability.

Staff training and knowledge on Prevent is regularly reviewed and monitored. Our school staff are aware that Radicalisation refers to the process by which a person comes to support forms of extremism (the holding of extreme political views) and terrorism (the unofficial or unauthorised use of violence and intimidation in the pursuit of political aims). Staff know that there is no single way of identifying an individual who is likely to be susceptible to an extremist ideology but they are alert to the signs and changes of behaviour which may be indicators. Staff also know what to do if they have concerns that a young person is being radicalised. We have named leads for Prevent on the schools SLT and The Board of Trustees & Local Governing Body

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We work in partnership with others including the Local Authority and MSCB to share concerns and improve practice in this area.

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Counter Terrorism Police North West, is a collaboration of five police forces (Cheshire, Cumbria, Greater Manchester, Lancashire and Merseyside) and be contacted on Prevent Team on [0161 8566345](tel:01618566345). You can also call the national police Prevent advice line [0800 011 3764](tel:08000113764), in confidence. If it's an emergency, please call [999](tel:999).

Anyone who is referred to Prevent is assessed by the local authority and other partners, including the police, to see if they're suitable for [Channel](#), Prevent's specialist support scheme. Channel is a voluntary, confidential, early intervention programme that supports people who may be at risk of being drawn into terrorism.

The **Channel Team** is based at GMP Headquarters within the North West Counter-Terrorism Unit – contact by email at channel.project@gmp.police.uk or call **0161 856 6362**.

Government Prevent duty in full can be found by following the link below:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance>