

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education 10 October 2017



Report of the Strategic Director of Communities and Place

Derby Prevent Plan

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Government counter-terrorism strategy is known as CONTEST. This has four main components, each with a clear objective:
 - Pursue to stop terrorist attacks.
 - Prepare where we cannot stop an attack, to mitigate its impact.
 - Protect to strengthen our overall protection against terrorist attacks.
 - Prevent to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.
- 1.2 In June 2011, the Government published its Prevent strategy. The new strategy provided a clear focus and a targeted approach. It is distinct from Integration and Cohesion strategies; although there is an acknowledgement of links. This has further implications with the introduction of the Government's Counter Extremism Strategy

The Prevent strategy has three specific strategic objectives:

- Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat we face from those who promote it;
- Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support; and
- Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to address.
- 1.3 Derby's Prevent Plan is a localised translation and delivery of the national strategy. The current plan is being refreshed and has 5 key elements. It is important to stress that this plan is a partnership plan, led by the council, including all partners who have a statutory duty to deliver the prevent plan. These partners are the local police, special branch, regional CITU, security services, probation, health and schools. All partners contribute both strategically and operationally. The 5 key elements are:
 - Channel programme: identifying vulnerable individuals and families and putting in place interventions of support and challenge
 - Delivery of 2 key projects, a women's project and young person's project, both

delivered by CET in Normanton

- Engaging with communities, networks and institutions, to raise awareness of prevent and build community reliance
- Delivery of training to partners and front-line professionals to identify the risks of radicalization and referral processes
- Working in partnership to manage the risk of extremist speakers and venue that host them
- 1.4 The governance and accountability of the programme is via a strategic Gold Group that oversees all 4 elements of the Contest strategy and a tactical Prevent Steering Group
- 1.5 There are 2 main forms of funding to support the delivery of the Prevent Plan. Police resources consisting of the Prevent Team, based at St Marys Wharf and a Government grant from the Home Office which funds a local Prevent co-ordinator and the local projects. The Home Office have recently offered to fund a post to work more directly with schools, which is currently being planned. Added to this Operation Dovetail is a Government project aimed at transferring the management of the Channel programme from the police to the local authority.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the content of the report.
- 2.2 To make any comments and relevant recommendations on the delivery of the Prevent agenda.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 A range of partners have a statutory Prevent Duty to comply with statutory requirements in terms of information sharing and safeguarding.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 None

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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None
Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 Funding for the delivery of the Prevent Plan is provided directly to the police and local authority from OSCT in the Home Office

Legal

2.1 The Prevent duty is a statutory requirement for the local authority and partners

Personnel

3.1 None

IT

4.1 None

Equalities Impact

5.1 None

Health and Safety

6.1 None

Environmental Sustainability

7.1 None

Property and Asset Management

8.1 None

Risk Management and Safeguarding

9.1 Safeguarding is a key element of the prevent plan

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 Safer and stronger communities