

Local authorities and other statutory agencies are required under the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 to have “due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism” in the exercise of their functions—known as the “Prevent Duty”. Organisations delivering services on behalf of these authorities also have this Duty. This briefing highlights the expectations of WCC commissioned services under the Prevent Duty and the available support and training to staff in fulfilling these. For more information and to make a Prevent referral, please **visit:** www.safeinwarwickshire.com/prevent.

The Prevent Duty guidance makes it clear that frontline staff who engage with the public should:

- understand what radicalisation means and understand why people may be vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism as a consequence of it
- be aware of what we mean by the term “extremism” and the relationship between extremism and terrorism
- know what measures are available to prevent people from becoming drawn into terrorism and how to challenge the extremist ideology that can be associated with it
- understand how to obtain support in Warwickshire for those who may be being exploited by radicalising influences

Warwickshire County Council has a dedicated Prevent Officer to support organisations and communities with Prevent work including delivery of training. To book a Prevent training session contact

heleneheath@warwickshire.gov.uk or phone 01926 412432. Available sessions are as follows:

- 2 hour session for frontline workers—Workshop To Raise Awareness Of Prevent (WRAP)
- 3 hour WRAP Train The Trainer session—become an accredited Prevent trainer and train your teams to identify individuals vulnerable to radicalisation
- Prevent Radicalisation e-learning—available for all staff at <https://warwickshire.learningpool.com> (GEN NS404)