Welcome to a round-up of news from Safe in Warwickshire, Prevent. For more information about Prevent, visit our website www.safeinwarwickshire.com/

Local Context:
In Warwickshire, authorities and communities are working together to deliver the Government’s Prevent Strategy. Prevent provides support and re-direction to vulnerable individuals at risk of being groomed into terrorist activities before any crimes are committed. Prevent is striving to be successful in eliminating the threat from violent extremism, build trust in Warwickshire’s communities, work in partnership with them and empower those at risk to make positive life choices. Prevent is working to reduce all types of extremism.

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A Reminder of How to Refer into Channel Panel

Channel is a multi-agency approach to protect people at risk from radicalisation. Channel is about safeguarding adults and children and about early intervention to protect and divert people away from the risks they face. If you have concerns about someone who may be vulnerable and would like a referral form please refer to the Safe in Warwickshire website www.safeinwarwickshire.com/prevent. Referral forms can be found under the section ‘Warwickshire Channel Process’.

As ‘BBC Inside Out’ Discover and Report On How Extremists Groom Online, ‘Safe In Warwickshire’ Launches Online Radicalisation Awareness Sessions For Parents.

A pilot session of ‘Prevent Online Grooming – Keeping Your Family Safe’ was delivered at Pound Lane Learning Centre. The new session supports parents to identify websites and apps their children might be using and explains how to keep children safe online. The session discusses how our young people can be groomed online, how parents can tackle groomers linked to online gaming and the extreme groups operating within Warwickshire looking to recruit young people to their cause.

The session is timely in light of the BBC Inside Out programme reporting on the London Bridge attack and how individuals were groomed online and via mobile phone apps to take part in the attack.

This two hour session for parents will be rolled out from September 2017. If you would like to receive this training as a group of parents, a community group or as someone who runs parents groups where this session would be welcomed please contact Prevent Officer Helene Heath at heleneheath@warwickshire.gov.uk to arrange a session. Click here for the flyer.
Warwickshire’s Commissioned Services are targeted to take part in Prevent Training, in line with ‘The Prevent Duty’ Legislation.

Under the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2016 Local Authorities and Statutory Services including commissioned services must adhere to the Prevent Duty. Warwickshire’s commissioned services have been prompted to sign up to Prevent training either online or face to face WRAP training to be compliant with the duty. If you know of any commissioned services in Warwickshire please share this flyer with them. Electronic copies available by clicking [here](https://www.safeguardingwarwickshire.co.uk/safeguarding-adults/i-am-an-adult-with-care-and-support-needs/prevent-in-warwickshire).

Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults and Children’s Boards launch a new website. Find Prevent on this new website by clicking on the link below:

Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent (WRAP) – local training, open to everyone

This workshop is an introduction to the Prevent strategy and outlines an individual’s role in safeguarding vulnerable people around radicalisation, extremism and grooming.

WRAP training sessions are arranged across the county, booking is via WILMA

Local Train the Trainer WRAP Training – open to everyone

Completing this module will accredit individuals to be able to deliver WRAP training. Sign up is via WILMA (https://warwickshire.learningpool.com/login/index.php). Next available sessions are:

- 14th November – Warwick
- 13th February – Nuneaton

Refresher Training for WRAP Accredited Trainers

Have you previously attended a WRAP Train the Trainer course and been accredited by the Home Office to deliver WRAP training? If so, there is a refresher training course for trainers running on 7th November in Warwick 10am – 11.30am.

This session will provide up to date information on Prevent in Warwickshire, an updated version of the WRAP training course and a presentation from the Counter Terrorism Unit on Warwickshire statistics and the changing threat of terrorism. In order for accredited trainers to sign up to this session, please contact Helene Heath, Prevent Officer on heleneheath@warwickshire.gov.uk

Calling all Designated Safeguarding Leads – WRAP 3 Online Training for Schools & Designated Safeguarding Leads Only

This is the latest training for schools from the Home Office on Prevent. This session can be used as a refresher for DSL’s or as training for new DSL’s. Sessions run in the morning and the afternoon of the following dates:

- 22nd November – Rugby College
- 18th January – Nuneaton CHESS Centre
- 27th February – Pound Lane Learning Centre, Lillington

For a booking form, contact Helene Heath: heleneheath@warwickshire.gov.uk
School’s Prevent Work Assessed by Ofsted

Protecting children from the risk of radicalisation in schools should be seen as part of a school’s wider safeguarding duties – similar to protecting children from other forms of harm and abuse.

Several schools inspected by Ofsted towards the end of the academic year reported being asked by inspectors for their Prevent Risk Assessment. Ofsted have indicated that inspectors will expect schools to be familiar with the Ealing Toolkit and to be using it. The toolkit provides some really useful examples of good practice that schools may wish to consider. It is available on the Educate Against Hate website which again is another useful resource for schools.
RUN, HIDE, TELL Message

Atrocities in London and Manchester have sadly resulted in some of the youngest victims of terror this country has ever seen, and if we are able to teach children to act in a way which could potentially save their lives - then it is our responsibility to do so.

Remember the simple message to stay safe in an attack: RUN, HIDE, TELL. To watch the video click on the link https://t.co/K4Cz5Kf8Yp

If you're concerned about how a child is feeling following recent attacks or would like advice on how to talk to your children about terrorism, you can call the NSPCC helpline on 0808 800 5000.

Further Education Focus Group on Prevent

Further education colleges in Warwickshire are now linked into Prevent and have established their own Focus Group to discuss how they are delivering the Strategy in the FE setting and what issues they are facing.

The first Focus Group meeting took place on Tuesday 17th October at King Edward VI college, Nuneaton and was attended by Hifsa Haroon-Iqbal the FE Regional Lead for Prevent as well as intervention from the Prevent Officer in Warwickshire.

A couple of useful resources for FE colleges were highlighted as follows:

Video: “An extremist in the family”: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/resources/idt-acfd761e-0df-46f7-87a4-96cec7824254


If you are a Warwickshire college and not already involved in this meeting and would like to take part, please contact Helene Heath, Prevent Officer to gain further details. heleneheath@warwickshire.gov.uk
Inflammatory Headlines in the Press – What can we do to stop this?

Radicalisation has been receiving a much higher profile in the media in recent years. Occasionally, the media can make inaccurate links to radicalisation in stories. While this makes the story more sensational, the effect can create apprehension in communities and can be very divisive.

If you see a story in the media that appears to be misusing information so that it becomes an issue of radicalisation, there are options to act upon.

Online stories can sometimes be removed if reported. When a story has appeared in a print version it is more difficult to retract, but there is a right to reply and it might be that a letter to the editor is appropriate to redress the balance.

If you have any concerns about a story that has appeared in the media, you could raise any concerns with the Independent Press Standards Organisation by going to www.ipso.co.uk

Community Cohesion Projects in Development in Nuneaton & Bedworth

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council are working with Equip to support community champions and representatives in developing project ideas that will bring many of the Boroughs communities together and help address challenges they face. This will draw on their varied experiences and lessons learnt based on the huge amount of time and effort they give as volunteers working in their own communities but with many other partners to represent the needs of their communities. Once again we would like to thank them for their ongoing support:

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The Warwickshire Prevent Strategy Group meets quarterly to discuss progress against the County Prevent Action Plan and ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to the implementation of Prevent across Warwickshire.

The Group last met on 13th September 2017 and focused mainly on the refreshed Action Plan. The Group proposed some further changes and these are being incorporated into a final version which will be circulated shortly. A “plan on a page” version will also be developed.

The next meeting is 20th December, 10.30am.