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Prevent Update (October 2023)

Welcome to the October edition of the Wiltshire Prevent Board's update for professionals in Wiltshire.

This edition includes: a celebration on the success of the joint Wiltshire & Swindon Prevent Conference, Prevent Duty Guidance 2023, Far Right signs and symbols, the Counter Terrorism Local Profile, information on the iReportit app, updates on Keeping Children Safe in Education, Online Safety messages through film awards for children aged 7-18 years, a broadcast from Parentzone on Disinformation, and some additional resources to support you and your colleagues understanding of Prevent.

We welcome any suggestions or questions you might have for future updates.

Wiltshire & Swindon Prevent Conference

What an amazing way to start this edition of the Prevent Newsletter but to congratulate everybody who was involved in contributing to the success of this year's conference.

The event itself was split and run over 2 morning sessions, with guest speakers from the Home Office, Wiltshire Police, Counter Terrorism Policing, Department for Education, Ofsted and a Secondary school for a lived experience of Channel.

Feedback from the event is still being received and fed into some reflective work ready for planning next year's event, but I can safely say it was an informative experience and attendees were given some valuable information.

If you weren't able to attend the event never fear, as recordings will soon be made available via the Wiltshire Council website, on the Prevent page.

Prevent Duty Guidance 2023



Reminder..

Earlier in the Summer, the Counter Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST) was also updated to reflect the current national picture.

The newly updated strategy can be found [here](#).

On 7th September 2023, an update to the Prevent Duty Guidance was laid before parliament and will come into force on 31st December 2023. This four-month window gives local authorities and other statutory partners sufficient time to consider any changes to the duty.

The updated Prevent Duty Guidance for England & Wales 2023 can be found [here](#).

Our partners at the Department for Education have produced a stakeholder pack for education, which I am sure you will agree, is a useful resource, and contains information such as;

- * Education Hub blog post
- * Briefing notes for each phase of education
- * New Prevent video animations
- * New risk assessment templates
- * Updated Gov.uk content
- * Educate Against Hate

To read more from the DfE's stakeholder pack, click [here](#).

Prevent duty guidance refresh

Stakeholder pack for education



Launch date

7th September
2023



Applies to

All phases of
education



Link

[Access on GOV.UK](#)



The revised guidance will not come into effect until 31st December at the earliest

Far Right – Example of Signs & Symbols



Reminder..

A person commits an offence contrary to the Terrorism Act 2000, if in a public place, they display an article, such as a flag, in such a way or in such circumstances as to arouse reasonable suspicion that they are a member or supporter of a proscribed organisation ... please remember each case will depend upon its own particular facts including any supporting evidence.

Signs and symbols are used by groups as a means of communication. To some it can make the group seem more real, cohesive, and potentially intimidating to others. It's a useful tool to communicate shared ideologies. The most common ways you will see these in our communities is via leaflets, stickers, clothing and flags.

The following information has been taken from an article in The Guardian, with some illustrations taken from Hope Note Hate. The full article can be read [here](#). It is useful to identify these images and what they mean as it can help staff to respond. We would encourage everyone to be vigilant to these sorts of signs and symbols and to **log** and **share** with the police. Further details on how to do this are available on the next page.



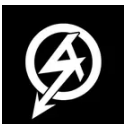
OK hand gesture – while this sign is harmless, it has been appropriated by some on the far right to signify power. It was used before the Christchurch mosque attack in New Zealand in 2019.



Swastika – the best known of all hate symbols, adopted by the Nazis and still in common use amongst neo-Nazis, antisemites and white supremacists.



Blood and Honour – the logo for a neo-Nazi music network that started in the UK in 1987 and remains active internationally.



National Action – a proscribed neo-Nazi terrorism organisation, who's logo is taken from the Sturmabteilung, a paramilitary wing of the Nazi party.



SS Runes – associated with the Schutzstaffel, the elite paramilitary branch of the Nazi party, the symbol remains popular among neo-Nazis.



Sonnenrad – an ancient symbol appropriated by the Nazis and used by neo-Nazis today.



Totenkopf – the symbol of Hitler's SS and used today by antisemites and neo-Nazis who venerate the Holocaust



Pepe the Frog – a comic book image with no relation to antisemitism but has been appropriated by the 'alt right' to depict extreme ideas in a supposedly humorous context.

Police contacts:

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Wiltshire: CounterTerrorism.Policing@wiltshire.police.uk

Avon and Somerset PreventSW@avonandsomerset.police.uk

Devon and Cornwall: facprevent@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

Gloucestershire: CTPSW@gloucestershire.police.uk

Counter Terrorism Local Profile

Key Themes

The Local Profile below, is produced by Counter Terrorism Policing South-West, and highlights the quarterly review for the period April to June 2023:



The current [national terror threat level](#) is 'Substantial'

Wiltshire is a lower risk area



Did you know that before the launch of the iReportIt app, 4 out of 5 Londoners were unsure how to report extremist material online during the pandemic

iREPORTIt App

Everyone is online these days, including people who want to promote terrorism. iReportIt by Raven Science is a smartphone app designed to make reporting online content to law enforcement quick, easy and secure. The app allows users to report online content anonymously.

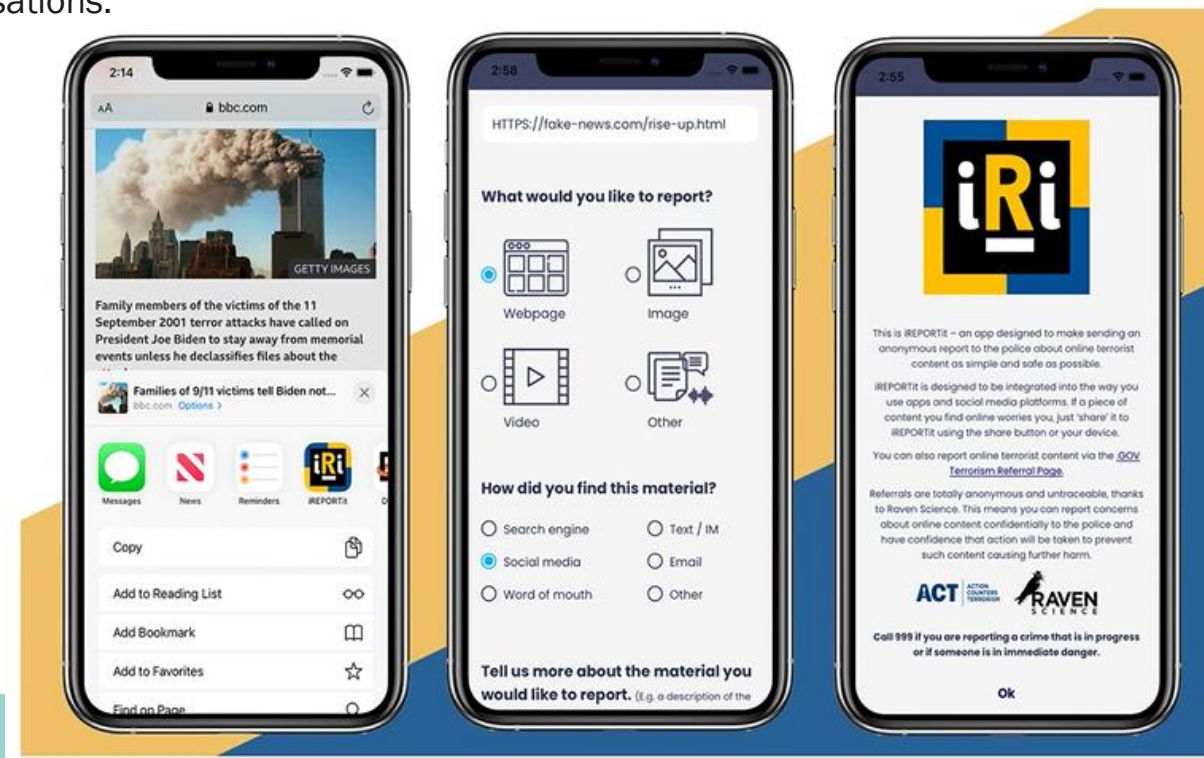
With iReportIt by Raven Science, it is possible to report the following by submitting:

- Articles, images, speeches, or videos that promote terrorism or encourage violence.
- Websites made by terrorist or extremist organisations.
- Videos of terrorist attacks.

To download the app for iPhone

[iREPORTIt on the App Store \(apple.com\)](https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/i-report-it/id1538444444)

For Android devices [iREPORTIt – Apps on Google Play](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.ravenscience.iReportIt)





Online Safety Films

Did you know these online safety films made by schools, colleges and youth groups will not only appear online but in cinemas too.

Keep a look out the next time you go to the cinema for one of these amazing productions.




Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023

On 1st September 2023 the new version of [Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023](#) came into force. In July, the UK Safer Internet Centre held a series of webinars on behalf of the Department for Education, to support settings with their filtering and monitoring responsibilities ahead of the new changes in September. If you were unable to attend, recordings are available of the webinars together with tools to support settings and supporting information. Click [here](#) to find out more.

Further information can also be found at [Broadband and Beyond - Web filtering for DSLs \(lgfl.net\)](#)

Online Safety messages through Film

Each year young people, aged 7-18 years, are invited to create a short film or storyboard focusing on a different online safety theme each year. This year's theme, Time to Talk!, saw a fantastic demonstration of a subject that these young people had first-hand experience in and were keen to share their stories. To see the winning entries for each category, (Primary 7-11years, Secondary 11-18years or Storyboard 7-18 years) click on the link below. I think you will all be impressed with the messages our young people are voicing. 

[Young people praised for showcasing important online safety messages through film - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



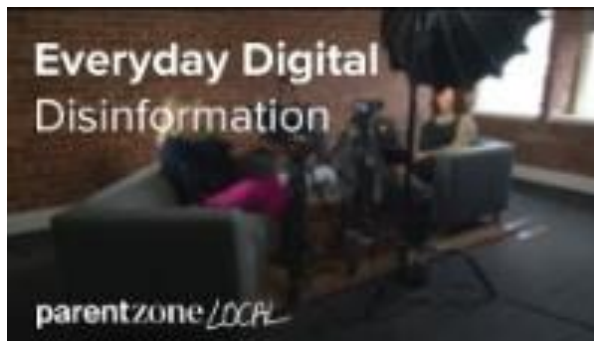
Everyday Digital Broadcast: Disinformation

Parentzone have recently released a new information video regarding disinformation.

The short video gives simple habits to parents and families for navigating online disinformation. It discusses news, adverts, reliable sources and the importance of asking questions.

You can watch the video on YouTube by clicking below.

[Everyday Digital: Disinformation – YouTube](#)



Classroom Resources



The last in a set of three short videos created by the Home Office. The videos introduce how Prevent works on the ground, told by those who have come into contact with the programme.

There are three videos which we will share over the coming newsletters;

- An Introduction to Prevent
- Supporting friends and family
- [Prevent tackling the far-right](#)

Prevent Referral Form

Visit the Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership website [here](#) for the referral form or email Preventqueries@wiltshire.gov.uk.



Key Fact

Prevent addresses all forms of terrorism and non-violent extremism and works with people of all ages and backgrounds.

Training Opportunities

Face to face (online)

The Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership (SVPP) deliver a half day training course on Microsoft Teams for Wiltshire professionals on 'Radicalisation and Extremism', from 9.30am until 12.30pm.

Available dates are shown below:

21st November 2023

February 2024 - TBC

13th June 2024

11th September 2024

11^h December 2024



To book, please visit the SVPP's learning hub [here](#).

Home Office E-learning

The Home Office provide four free e-learning packages, which can be accessed by clicking [here](#):

- Prevent Awareness eLearning
- Prevent Referrals
- Channel Awareness

DfE Training

Wednesday 15th November 2023

[Induction / Refresher](#) - 9-10am

[Intro to Incels](#) - 10:30 - 11:30am

[Online Platforms and Extremist Content](#) - 1:30 - 2:30pm

[Gaming and Extremism](#) - 3 - 4pm

Tuesday 16th January 2024 10.30am to 12 noon –

[A free webinar event for FE Skills to help to embed the Prevent Duty Tickets, Tue 16 Jan 2024 at 10:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Channel Champion Training

Email Preventqueries@wiltshire.gov.uk if you would like to become a Channel Champion for your organisation and to arrange your place on the available training dates;

23rd January 2024

22nd May 2024

Further dates for 2024 will be made available nearer the time.



Community
Resource



[ACT Early](#)



Further Information and Support

National Guidance

- [Prevent Duty Guidance \(England and Wales\)](#)
- [Contest Strategy \(2023\)](#)
- [Prevent for Further Education and Training – Complying with the Prevent Duty](#)
- [The Prevent Duty in higher education \(HE\): training and guidance for practitioners](#)

Resources

- [Educate against Hate](#)
- [Going Too Far](#)



Seeking advice

Contact the Prevent team at PreventSW@avonandsomerset.police.uk or on 01278 647466 or email: Preventqueries@wiltshire.gov.uk.

To make a referral:

Complete the form which can be found [here](#) and send it to PreventReferrals@wiltshire.police.uk.

We hope you found this Prevent update useful, please do get in touch at Preventqueries@wiltshire.gov.uk if you have any questions or suggestions for future updates.

[British Values and Prevent : Wiltshire Healthy Schools](#) – click here for more useful information