

SALFORD PREVENT NEWSLETTER

A Note from Denee

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to December's newsletter.

In this newsletter we are going to look back at the last twelve months and some of the topics we have covered.

It's been a hectic year in Prevent with new Prevent guidance coming out in the middle of the year and new legislation **Martyn's Law** being passed in September 2024.

As ever, we have lots of training available for you to book onto such as Understanding Hateful Ideologies and Self-Initiated Terrorism. All our training is free, and you can book on via the links.

As it is our last Newsletter of the year, this is a prime opportunity to thank all our partners and colleagues and their support in safeguarding vulnerable people being drawn into radicalisation.

We hope you have a very merry Christmas and a fantastic new year.

Thanks, Denee.



KEY TRAINING DATES:

Preventing Violent Extremism (WRAP) –

5 December 2024: 10 – 11:30 am

<https://forms.office.com/e/PtrGkgm9Pt>

Self-Initiated Terrorism – 11 December 2024:

10 – 12 pm [Eventbrite link](#)

Understanding the Threat of Incel Violence –

12 December 2024: 10 – 12 pm

<https://forms.office.com/e/L7im5LF1EQ>

Hateful Ideologies – 13 January 2025:

1 – 3 pm [Eventbrite link](#)

Self-Initiated Terrorism – 21 January 2025:

1 – 3 pm [Eventbrite link](#)

Hateful Ideologies – 5 February 2025:

10 – 12 pm [Eventbrite link](#)

Hateful Ideologies – 12 February 2025:

1 – 3 pm [Eventbrite link](#)

Preventing Violent Extremism (WRAP) –

6 March 2025: 10 – 11:30 am

<https://forms.office.com/e/PtrGkgm9Pt>

Understanding the Threat of Incel Violence –

13 March 2025: 10 – 12 pm

<https://forms.office.com/e/L7im5LF1EQ>

Small Steps Right-Wing Extremism –

25 March 2025: 1 – 2 pm

<https://forms.office.com/e/5RChTVH7X4>

If you want to find out more about training packages for your organisation, please contact:

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Spring 2024 Newsletter Recap:

In our August Prevent newsletter, we provided information on training for Incel, ERW Gaming and Grooming and WRAP.

Our Incel training provides information on what an Incel is, the connection between Incel and the far-right, the history of the Incel community, why young men and boy's access these sites and become vulnerable to radicalisation, and how this community promote the sexual and physical abuse of women and girls. **You can still book onto this training via the links in our training section.**

Our ERW Gaming and Grooming training highlighted how the extreme right-wing operate and recruit online and signs to look out for that a young person may be being radicalised. The main aim of this training is to provide practical ways to challenge the ERW narrative and reduce the risk to vulnerable people.

Our WRAP training raises awareness of Prevent and channel to reduce the number of people becoming or supporting violent extremism. WRAP looks at local and national risks, safeguarding support and the signs of how and young people and adults are radicalised. **You can still book onto this training via the links in our training section.**

This year we have trained over 300 people in Prevent and radicalisation awareness.



DID YOU KNOW?

WRAP stands for:

Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent

At the end of March 2023 in the UK:

- There were 6,817 Prevent referrals
- Individuals aged between 15 and 20 years old accounted for 6,796 referrals
- An Incel or Involuntary Celibates are a subculture of men who believe women are blame for their lack of intimate sexual intimacy.
- Almost 34,000 online grooming crimes against children were recorded by UK police.



PREVENT EDUCATION
TEACHERS TERRORISM
ISLAMIST RADICALISATION
EXTREMISM TRAINING
FAR RIGHT SAFEGUARDING
PRACTITIONERS WHY? WRAP

Summer 2024 Newsletter Recap:

Our September Prevent newsletter took a deep dive into Misinformation: Disinformation following the nationwide unrest over the summer of 2024.

Misinformation: Disinformation is spread and generated by extremists from across the ideological spectrum and is often intertwined with conspiracy theories. In this digital age misinformation and disinformation has a far greater reach than ever before and can compound extremist ideologies combined with one sided social and political ideas.

We explored how gaming is a rapidly growing online ecosystem with almost three billion users globally. Online gaming environments include the games themselves and adjacent platforms where people gather in online communities around the topic of gaming, and the expansive range of supporting industry that feeds this environment.

Gaming already nets more income than any other form of media and continues to grow as a focal point for potential exploitation by extremists to spread disinformation. Whilst serving as a positive space for many gamers, in some cases extremists have been able to exploit this ecosystem to spread disinformation through the many gamer platforms, forums, and communities. One of the practical ways in which online gaming is exploited to help spread extremist disinformation is through the employment of gamification.



DID YOU KNOW?

- 70% of 12-17s said they were confident they could judge whether something was real or fake. Nearly a quarter of those children were unable to do so in practice.
- 32% of 8-17-year-olds believe that all or most of what they see on social media is true

Mis/disinformation and fake news might look like:

- Social media hoaxes
- AI adverts
- Phishing emails
- Popular videos
- Sponsored posts

Around nine in ten children (89%) play video games



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Autumn 2024 Newsletter Recap:

In one of our newsletters, we explored the far-right's logos and symbols.

Blood & Honour British Movement:

are an international Neo-Nazi music network run from the UK.



British Peoples Party:

are a small political party who's presence is mainly online.



British Movement:

are a small political movement based on the principles of National Socialism.



National Front:

are a registered political party widely perceived to be a right-wing organisation.



Combat 18:

were previously a violent white supremacist group formed in the UK in 1992. Re-emerging after a decade of inactivity.



National Action:

are a direct-action organisation aimed at raising awareness of issues that threaten 'our nation'.



Radical Volunteer Force:

are a Pan-European Neo-Nazi organisation Founded I the UK in 2002. Their ideology is to preserve the white race.



Nationalist Social Movement:

are a British faction of the US organisation NSM88 which advocates racist ideologies.



Pirates / Pirate 28:

are a UK Neo-Nazi music network founded in 2011 to rival the Blood & Honour in extreme right-wing music events.



DID YOU KNOW?

Numbers and the Far-Right Meanings:

- **88** = H is the 8th letter of the alphabet; H = 8 therefore 88 represents Heil Hitler
- **18** = 1 represents A, 18 represents Adolf Hitler's initials
- **14** = the 14 Words - Representing the '14 words' of David Lane: "We must secure the existence of our people and a future for white children"
- **6 Words** = Never Date Outside of Your Race
- **311** = K is the 11th letter of the alphabet therefore 3 x 11 = KKK = Ku Klux Klan



The online cartoon Pepe the Frog has been added to the Anti-Defamation League's database of hate symbols. Other logos cited as offensive by the ADL include the Swastika and the "Blood Drop Cross" of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK).

The anti-bigotry group said, "racists and haters" had "taken a popular internet meme and twisted it".

Pepe has recently been depicted as Adolf Hitler and a member of the white supremacist KKK.



Winter 2024 Newsletter Recap:

Our November newsletter reviewed Martyn's Law, what the bill will do and why we need it and SCC's check list for events.

The Bill is intended to improve protective security and organisational preparedness across the UK. It requires those responsible for premises and events to take steps to mitigate the impact of a terrorist attack and reduce harm in the event of a terrorist attack occurring.

The bill is intended to ensure public premises and event spaces are better prepared for terrorist attacks and ready to respond if needs be. It will require organisations to take reasonably practicable actions, to mitigate the impact of a terrorist attack and reduce physical harm. In addition to this, larger premises and event spaces must also take steps to reduce the vulnerability of terrorist attacks.

This will be done by mandating who is responsible for considering the risk from terrorism and how they would respond to a terrorist attack at premises and event spaces.

Dedicated guidance and support will be provided for duty holders to ensure that they have the required information on what to do and how best to do it.

Please click [here](#) to access the [Events Handbook](#) and to view the checklist and necessary information required to hire a venue within Salford City Council.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Since 2017, Counter Terrorism Policing assesses that there have been 15 domestic terror attacks in the UK (not including Northern Ireland-related terrorism), and agencies and law enforcement have disrupted 43 late-stage plots.
- **Martyn's Law** establishes a tiered approach, linked to the activity that takes place at premises or an event and the number of individuals it is reasonable to expect may be present on the premises at the same time.



Figen Murray, mother of Manchester Arena bombing victim Martyn Hett

Spirit of Salford
COMMUNITY
Awards 2025



As we get closer to the 2025 Spirit of Salford Community Awards ceremony, I want to take this opportunity to encourage you to nominate any outstanding individuals or groups for any of the following categories:

- [Citizen of the Year](#)
- [Community Group of the Year](#)
- [Public Servant of the Year](#)
- [Best Child Friendly Project](#)
- [Young Person of the Year](#)
- [Volunteer of the Year](#)
- [Good Neighbour of the Year](#)
- [Best Health Achievement](#)
- [Best Environmental Improvement](#)
- [Best Community Safety Project](#)

To submit a nomination, head over to the [Spirit of Salford Community Awards](#) website and submit your vote by **Thursday 19 December 2024**.

Let's come together to recognise some of the outstanding contributions from across Salford.





WORKSHOP LEAFLET 24/25

HATEFUL IDEOLOGIES LEADING TO TERRORISM

SUITABLE FOR: PROFESSIONALS, TEACHERS, COMMUNITIES

This workshop leaves participants with greater understanding and **confidence in addressing** issues relating to hateful ideologies, by providing more information about what hateful ideologies exist in our communities and how these ideas take form on/offline.

SESSION OUTCOMES

- ✓ Participants understand concepts like 'incel', '**extreme far-right**', and '**red/blue/black pill ideology**' '**jihad maxxng**' and how these can be used by extremists
- ✓ Participants recognise symbols, language and propaganda of extremist ideologies and vulnerability
- ✓ Participants have a greater understanding of **online** and **gaming spaces** and how they influence this thinking
- ✓ Participants are aware of **risk indicators**, including neurodiversity and SEMH
- ✓ Participants will feel more equipped with knowledge and skills to **create effective preventative spaces**

A BIT ABOUT US

We've worked with **313,306** young people, communities and practitioners to challenge hate, violence and prejudice

Our team consists of professionals, researchers and youth workers with over 50 years of experience

We provide post-course support, free resources and ongoing support

**SIGN UP VIA
EVENTBRITE**



The topics covered were interesting. It was particularly helpful to see the content which people are seeing on social media. It gave an insight into the real world aspect of extremism as opposed to talking about it in a detached way. I am more confident now in making referrals.

Katy, MANCHESTER
Teacher participant



It is very helpful to have a better understanding of the different ideas my young people might be seeing online. It is so easy to feel out of touch! But this training helped to fill some gaps.

Joe, RICHMOND, LONDON
Social worker participant

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WORKSHOP LEAFLET 24/25

SELF-INITIATED TERRORISM AND THE ONLINE SPACE

SUITABLE FOR: PROFESSIONALS, TEACHERS, PARENTS AND CARERS

The session addresses the significant counter terrorism risk - self initiated extremism that can lead to terrorism. A phenomenon almost exclusively that takes place online, this session will look at how and in what ways this can happen, as well as considering some online and offline solutions for professionals, teachers, and communities.

SESSION OUTCOMES

- ✓ Participants understand concepts like **self-initiated terrorism**, as well as theories related to how it comes about.
- ✓ Participants recognise **symbols, language, and propaganda** often included in online spaces, as well as how they can radicalise
- ✓ Participants understand laws related to **extreme** and **hateful** content in an engaging manner
- ✓ Participants recognise **susceptibility to harmful information**, with a focus on **SEMH and SEND needs** especially online
- ✓ Participants are more confident in **online and offline solutions** to these problems, as well as when to intervene

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The trainer was engaging and knowledgeable which helped make the online session more interesting. The subjects were new to me as well, incels or how online misinformation contributes to radicalisation. I also liked how helpful it was about making safeguarding referrals.

Giles, MANCHESTER
Teacher participant



I didn't appreciate before this workshop how broad a topic this is. I understand so much more now about the kinds of exploitation that happen online especially and I understand the language more; the difference between disinformation and misinformation and how to talk about these issues.

Jenni, MANCHESTER
Teacher participant

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ABOUT IT

WORKING TOGETHER TO
PREVENT TERRORISM

Have a question about Prevent or Counter Terrorism
and how it affects your organisation?

Drop me a line at denee.cassidy@salford.gov.uk