

Barnet Health & Well-being Board

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Update on Delivery of the Prevent Duty in Barnet.

Barnet Community Safety Team

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Barnet Prevent Strategy

The overriding objective for of the Barnet Prevent Strategy 2017-2020 is:

‘to keep the people of Barnet safe by accurately identifying people vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism and/or violent extremism and to safeguarding children and adults by providing early intervention to protect and divert people away from being drawn into terrorist activity.’

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Key actions

Partnerships

A multi-agency response to Prevent will be in place, supported by an evidence base and coordinated through The Safer Communities Partnership Board, where partners fully own and fulfil their role in delivery of Prevent locally

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Prevent Risk Assessment

We will ensure the regional Counter Terrorism Profile (CTLP) will be communicated appropriately to the required stakeholders.

This will be used to inform the risk assessment and action plans locally in order to effectively reduce the risk of individuals being drawn into terrorism or violent extremism in Barnet.

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Counter Terrorism Local Profile (CTLP)

London North CTLP identifies a high instance of mental health issues being prevalent in cases referred to Channel and this presents some complex challenges.

Currently, a significant volume of cases being supervised by the Channel Panel have a mental health concern, or a learning difficulty.

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Process for management of Channel cases with mental health concerns.

Barnet Channel Panel has representation and input on assessment and case management from:

Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group Adult Safeguarding Lead.

BEH Prevent lead who is the Head of Non Clinical Risk/Local Security Management Specialist.

Process for management of Channel cases with mental health concerns

These representatives assist:-

- With referrals to mental health services where required.
- Oversight of information sharing between the Channel Panel and local mental health services.

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Counter Terrorism Local profile (CTLP) cont'd

Two CTLP recommendations address this point:-

- 1) The Office of Security and Counter Terrorism (OSCT) and NHS England to provide clear guidance to ensure a consistent approach to deciding on the primary management response to Prevent referrals with a Mental Health concern e.g. through existing Mental Health clinical pathways or via Prevent/Channel.

Counter Terrorism Local profile (CTLP) cont'd

2) OSCT need to provide guidance on the management of Prevent/Channel referrals where Mental Health is the predominant concern. This is to ensure consistency in response across Local Authorities & Police, in how long referrals are kept open, and the frequency of reassessment.

Our Approach to challenges posed.

- Barnet Approach is consistent with:-
 - The Prevent Duty
 - National Channel Guidance.
 - NHS England's Prevent Guidance recently published in Nov 2017.

The Importance of Staff Training

- Barnet staff working with the public must be able to identify, record and refer children and adults who are vulnerable to radicalisation.
- All health partners have received notification from NHS England regarding WRAP Training compliance.
- Under-performing partners are required to provide action plans to NHS England.

Support provided by Community Safety Team

- Monthly online Prevent training session with Prevent coordinator or Prevent Education Officer present at the training to answer questions. This is aimed at administrative staff.
- Monthly face to face WRAP session for up to 20 frontline staff delivered by Prevent coordinator.
- WRAP 'Train the Trainer' sessions arranged to support departments in skilling their own staff to rollout WRAP sessions.

The Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment is to:

- Ensure that the Prevent duty is integrated into existing safeguarding strategies, policies and procedures to ensure that vulnerable young people or adults are protected from the risks of radicalisation and being drawn into violent extremism. Relevant staff will receive Prevent WRAP training as part of core Safeguarding Training.

Any Questions

