

Progress in Delivery of the Barnet Prevent Multi-Agency Action Plan

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Safer Communities Partnership Board

Barnet Community Safety Team

Barnet Prevent Strategy

The Barnet Prevent Strategy was launched in September 2017.

Our key objective 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 related activity”

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Key Action 1

Partnerships: We will ensure that a multi-agency response to Prevent will be in place, supported by an evidence base and co-ordinated through The Safer Communities Partnership Board.

- Barnet Prevent Delivery Group overseeing strategic delivery with positive engagement with internal and external partners.
- Barnet Channel Panel Chaired by Community Safety Manager with representation from all core partners. Meetings are held monthly.

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Key Action 2

Risk Assessment: the regional Counter Terrorism Profile (CTLP) will be communicated to key stakeholders and used to inform the local action plans.

- Senior Leaders have been briefed on the CTLP within the local authority as have the local partner agencies through the Prevent Delivery Group.
- Key recommendations and issues identified in the CTLP are directly addressed in the Barnet Multi-Agency Action Plan.
- CTLP summary included in training to frontline staff.

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Key Action 3

The Action Plan will be owned and delivered through the partnership to reduce the risk(s) identified in Barnet.

- The Action Plan is monitored by the Barnet Council Management Team and Safer Communities Partnership Board.
- Senior leaders are aware of key actions relevant to their span of control.
- The action plan is reviewed quarterly and quarterly briefings on progress are sent to the Barnet CEO.

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Key Action 4

Barnet will have a fully trained work force who can recognise Prevent issues or concerns, support successful collaborative partnership working, identify the early signs of radicalisation taking positive action to manage those potentially at risk.

- Training is being delivered to local authority staff and staff operating across the Barnet partnership
- Family Services
- Adults & Communities
- Corporate Anti-Fraud Team

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Key Action 4 (cont'd)

- ❑ Training plans received from Regional Enterprise and Barnet Homes – training to be delivered to all frontline staff who have contact with the public by end of December 2019.
- ❑ National Probation Service and London Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) – training delivered to 28 Probation Officers and Managers in Barnet in June 2018.
- ❑ Training delivered to Barnet Mencap staff in July 2018.
- ❑ Prevent Education Officer offering training to all Barnet schools.

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Key Action 5

We will ensure venues owned by Barnet Council are not providing a platform for extremist's views.

- Local procedures are being audited to ensure that systems are in place to risk assess proposed bookings of council owned venues.
- Annual schools safeguarding audits specifically requests information regarding each school's use of web filtering.
- Launch of voluntary Supplementary Education Register.

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Key Action 6

Ensure that the Prevent duty is integrated into existing safeguarding strategies, policies and procedures.

- Local guidance documents and process maps developed by the Prevent Coordinator have been adopted by Family Service and Adults and Communities.
- Risk of radicalisation included in Continuum of Need assessment.

Key Action 6

OFSTED FINDINGS 2019:

- ❑ Although the number of children and young people known to be at risk of radicalisation is relatively low, a clear process helps to ensure that they are protected.
- ❑ Social workers recognise and respond well to children in care who are vulnerable to exploitation. This includes identifying interdependencies of risks from sexual exploitation, missing from care, radicalisation and criminal exploitation. Strategy meetings result in appropriate plans that help to reduce risk and protect children.



Questions?

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