



PREVENT, PROTECT & PREPARE

What we did April 2022 - March 2023



WHAT IS PROTECT & PREPARE

Protect & Prepare are two of the four elements of the Governments counter-terrorism strategy CONTEST.

Protect means to strengthen our protection against a terrorist attack, this could include training, raising awareness with local retailers or businesses, or physical measures such as bollards or barriers.

Prepare means to mitigate the impact of a terrorist attack. This includes work to increase our resilience so we can recover quickly.

The key element to both of these strands is to save lives, reduce harm and aid recovery.

INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT

- 2022 Prevent conference
- Prevent Communications
- Prevent Self assessment
- Home Office Funding Bid
- ACT training
- SCaN training
- Days of action
- Prevent Champions

WHAT IS PREVENT

Prevent is about safeguarding and supporting those vulnerable to radicalisation. Prevent is one of the four elements of the Governments counter-terrorism strategy CONTEST. Prevent aims to stop people becoming radicalised and being drawn into terrorism. It works at the pre-criminal stage by using early intervention to support individuals and encourages communities to challenge extremist ideology and behaviour.



PREVENT

The Prevent Conference

Welcome to North East Lincolnshire Prevent Conference 2022

Communities **defeat** terrorism
Your information could be the missing puzzle piece



In October 2022 we hosted the second North East Lincolnshire Prevent Conference.

Prevent Inspector James Sheard kicked off the conference with an overview of the current threat level and 'What is Prevent'.

James Fisk and Jade Atkinson from Educate Against Hate spoke about how the Educate Against Hate website can help build students resilience to extremism and radicalisation.

We also had two Intervention Providers. One spoke about mixed, unclear and unstable ideology and the other, the final speaker of the conference, spoke about why all extremism is wrong.

The conference was attended by over 200 people with all feedback received very positive.

CONFERENCE FEEDBACK

I found this training to be one of the most engaging and useful pieces of training I have attended in a really long time. We are all really busy and I didn't at any point feel that this was one of those types of events which could "easily have been sent out in an email"!! Well done to all involved

Thoroughly
enjoyable
and very
informative

Very good event. Very
well structured and
organised

A really useful, interesting and worthwhile
conference. Excellent presentations and
organization.

Certainly made me think and made me
realise that I don't know as much as I should!

It was a good use of a
morning - thank you!



PREVENT

The Self Assessment & Prevent Champions

SELF ASSESSMENT

The Prevent Board completed the Home Office Self-Assessment which focused on 10 specific areas of practice.

The self assessment allowed us to examine our arrangements locally and realise that we are performing well.

Areas assessed were

- Risk assessment
- Multi agency partnership board
- Prevent partnership plan
- Referral pathway
- Channel panel
- Prevent problem solving process
- Training
- Venue hire & IT policies
- Engagement activity
- Communications



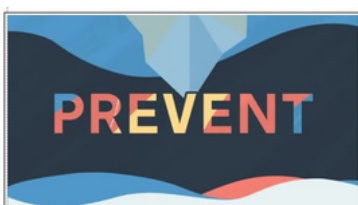
PREVENT CHAMPIONS

Within North East Lincolnshire we have 74 Prevent Champions in a variety of organisations and roles.

They are a point of contact within their organisation, and cascade and share information with others within their organisations whether that be within team meetings or via briefings.

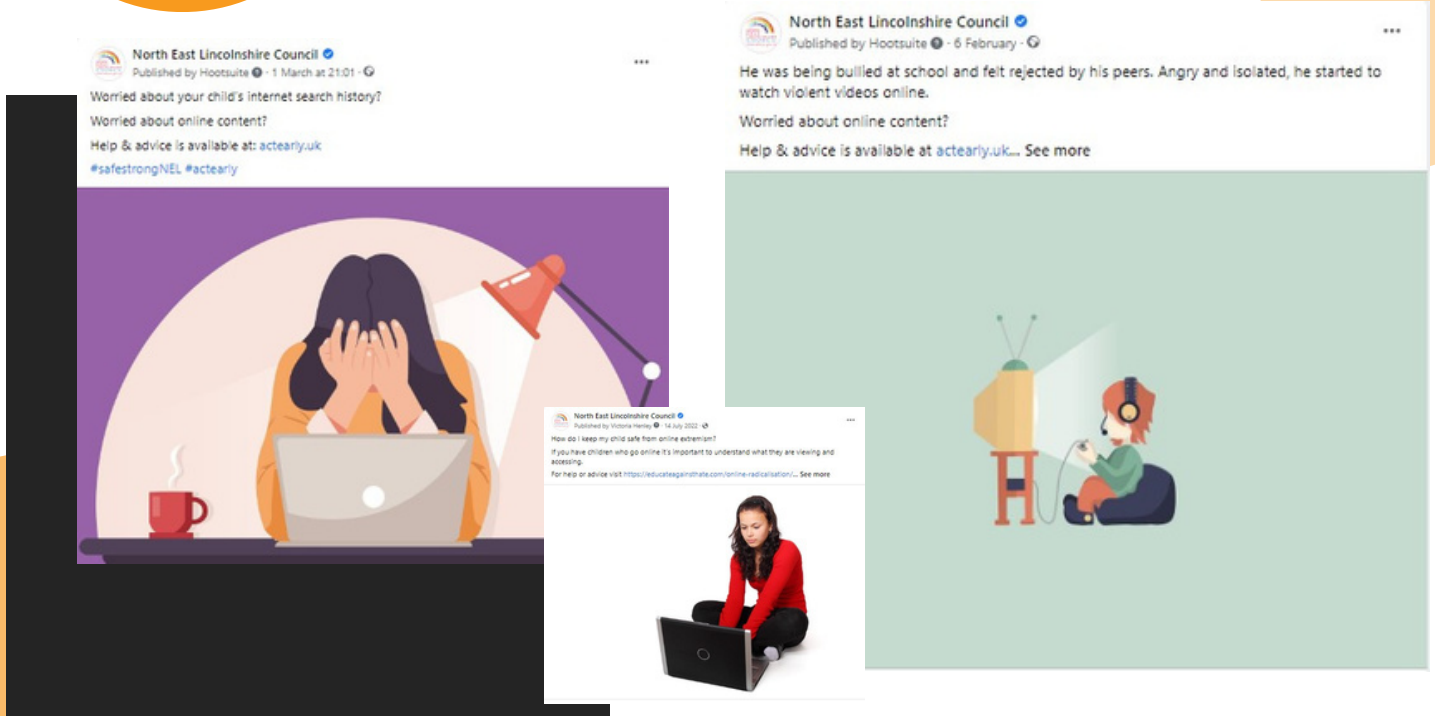
The Champions receive quarterly briefings with updates regarding trends, legislation and current risks and threats. They also have the opportunity to attend continued personal development (CPD) events specifically for Champions.

If you would like to become a Prevent Champion please email victoria.henley@nelincs.gov.uk





PREVENT COMMUNICATIONS



RAISING AWARENESS OF ONLINE SAFETY

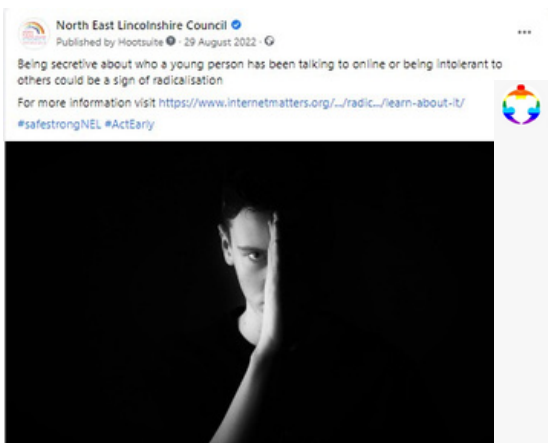
North East Lincolnshire Council
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Who are your child's friends online?
Do they have privacy settings on accounts?
Do you use parental controls?
Extremists can use gaming and social media sites to contact vulnerable young people.
For advice visit
<https://educateagainstate.com/online-radicalisation/>
#safestrongNEL #ActEarly



The focus on social media posts for the year was to raise awareness regarding online safety. The posts were directed at parents and carers and designed to prompt conversations with young people about their online activity. We also raised awareness with situations that could lead young people down a worrying path, such as anger or frustration. Such feelings could lead to a young person to become isolated and spending more time online looking for answers.

The risks from the internet and online radicalisation are universal, it doesn't matter where you live, you are as much at risk here, in North East Lincolnshire as you are in any other town, city or village.

We promoted actearly.uk as a source of help and advice.





PROTECT

PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE LOCATIONS PILOT

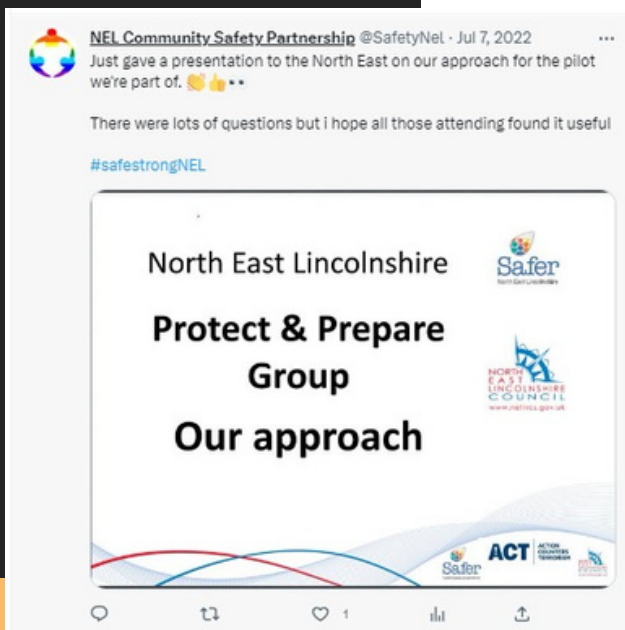
In June 2022 we were asked to present to the regional publicly accessible locations (PALs) drop in for the North East region.

PALs is a pilot that stretches from North Lincolnshire up to the Scottish border. It looks to ensure that publicly accessible locations have a security focus and that efforts are made to make appropriate and proportionate mitigation.

We set up a multi agency Protect & Prepare Group and started to look at the work involved to provide a joined-up approach to security consistent with current national guidance and standards to keep our communities safe and feeling safe.

We also wanted to be able to understand and respond to current and emerging threats.

We presented to the regional group in June regarding how we approached the pilot, looking at both thematic and geographic opportunities and prioritisation.



Our approach

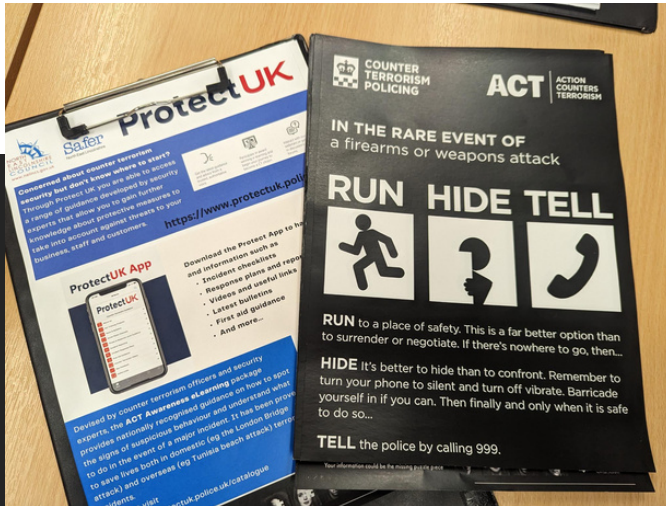
- Geographical vs Thematic
- **Hybrid approach**
- Prioritisation
- Manageable
- Multi agency

Protect & Prepare Group

- Membership
- Structure
- Governance
- Meetings



PROTECT DAYS OF ACTION



The Protect & Prepare Group completed two site assessments and one day of action in 2022 - 2023.

The day of action which took place in the resort of Cleethorpes focused on visiting all local businesses and retailers to raise awareness and provide counter terrorism advice. Business and retailers were given information around the Protect UK app which provides really useful information relating to counter terrorism in addition to promoting the Governments "Run Hide Tell" campaign. Local businesses were also given the opportunity to attend a face to face training session.

To supplement the days of action we promoted the Run Hide Tell messages on social media platforms to reiterate the messages we had been sharing.

We have more days of action planned for 2023 - 2024 as they are a great way to get out in the community, raise awareness and discuss what we are doing locally.





TRAINING

ACT AWARENESS

The Protect & Prepare Group completed ACT Awareness training and are now promoting the training to teams, colleagues, business and organisations. It is hoped that this will form the basis of raising awareness locally and the training will be promoted throughout 2023



HOME OFFICE FUNDING

Late in 2022 we received notification that we were successful in gaining Home Office funding to procure training to raise awareness regarding online radicalisation as online radicalisation has been a focus for the Multi Agency Prevent Board this year.

12 Sessions were delivered to front line practitioners and three to parents and carers, with many of the sessions being over subscribed.

In total nearly 300 people received the training.

Feedback from the sessions has been positive



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AWARENESS

SEE CHECK AND NOTIFY- SCAN

Members of the Protect & Prepare Group received training in order to deliver SCaN. This will be rolled out 2023 - 2024.

See, Check and Notify (SCaN) aims to help businesses and organisations maximise safety and security using their existing resources.

SCaN training empowers staff to correctly identify suspicious activity and know what to do when they encounter it. In addition to this, the skills staff learn will help them to provide an enhanced customer experience. It helps ensure that individuals or groups seeking to cause harm are unable to get the information they need to plan their actions.