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Prevent Duty Statement

Public summary of our safeguarding approach to radicalisation and terrorism

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Approval

This document must be formally approved before issue. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is responsible for ensuring that related procedures, forms, training and local referral information remain aligned with it.

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1 Our Commitment

Forward Futures Group treats susceptibility to radicalisation into terrorism as a safeguarding concern. We promote safety, respectful discussion, critical thinking and lawful expression while responding proportionately to credible concerns about terrorism-related influence or risk.

2 Organisational Position

Forward Futures will comply with Prevent requirements applicable to its legal status and contractual arrangements. Where it is not itself a specified authority under the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015, it follows relevant safeguarding good practice and supports commissioners that are subject to the Prevent duty. This statement does not extend school-only legal duties to Forward Futures.

3 Principles

- Prevent applies to all forms of terrorism and must not be based on religion, ethnicity, nationality, disability, neurodivergence or lawful political belief.
- Strong, controversial or unpopular views are not by themselves evidence of radicalisation.
- Staff report concerns; they do not investigate ideology, search personal devices or attempt to de-radicalise someone.
- Immediate threats to life or suspected imminent terrorism are reported to police by calling 999.
- Other welfare, exploitation, mental-health or safeguarding needs are considered alongside or instead of Prevent where appropriate.

4 Reporting and Referral

Staff must report concerns immediately to the DSL/DDSL and record facts through the safeguarding system. The DSL will assess context, seek current local Prevent or police advice, liaise with a commissioning DSL where safe, and make or support a referral when appropriate. If safeguarding leaders are unavailable and delay could increase risk, staff may seek advice or refer directly and then record the action.

For commissioned learners, Forward Futures Group will confirm who is taking each action and retain its own safeguarding record. It will not assume a commissioner or partner has made a referral without confirmation, and uncertainty about responsibility will not delay an urgent request for advice or referral.

5 Channel

Channel is a multi-agency safeguarding programme for people assessed as susceptible to radicalisation and at risk of being drawn into terrorism. A Prevent referral does not mean a person has committed an offence or will receive Channel support. Channel support is voluntary and consent-based, with consent arrangements considered according to age and circumstances.

Information may be shared lawfully, necessarily and proportionately for safeguarding assessment. This is separate from consent to receive Channel support. Children’s safeguarding or adult safeguarding, exploitation, mental-health, welfare or Police routes may operate alongside or instead of Prevent.

6 Training Risk Assessment and Review

Prevent awareness is included in induction and updated as required and at least annually. Forward Futures maintains a documented Prevent risk assessment, reviewed at least annually and after relevant incidents or changes. Current contacts are held separately so they can be updated without reissuing this statement.

The DSL maintains current knowledge of local advice and referral arrangements. The risk assessment considers the learner cohort, local and contextual information, online activity, premises, visitors, partnership delivery and any use of external speakers or materials. Actions, owners and review dates are recorded.

Related Documents

- SGPR-003 Prevent Radicalisation and Channel Procedure
- SGP-001 Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- SGP-004 Online Safety Policy
- HRP-016 Equality Diversity and Inclusion Policy
- Staff Code of Conduct
- Whistleblowing Speak Up Policy