

# The Prevent duty, 'extremism' and 'radicalisation'

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### MUST READS

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Simon Jenkins

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<https://netpol.org/2018/06/11/prevent-tribunal-victory/>

#### **Policing Muslims, policing dissent: Free speech is under attack at Westminster University**

Malia Bouattia

<http://www.middleeasteye.net/columns/free-speech-under-attack-westminster-1491631438>

#### **Prevent is the virus, not the vaccine**

Ruqaya Izzidien

<https://www.alaraby.co.uk/english/comment/2018/6/15/prevent-is-the-virus-not-the-vaccine>

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Mohamed Elmaazi

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Special Edition on PREVENT

**FOCUS: THE 'WHERE' OF PREVENT**

Shereen Fernandez, Rob Faure Walker and Tarek Younis

<https://discoversociety.org/2018/06/05/focus-the-where-of-prevent/>

**COULD COUNTER-EXTREMISM POLICIES BE AIDING THE EXTREME ANTI-ISLAM RIGHT?**

Hilary Aked

<https://discoversociety.org/2018/06/05/could-counter-extremism-policies-be-aiding-the-extreme-anti-islam-right/>

**HOW AND WHERE IS PREVENT PROMOTED? DIGITAL, VISUAL AND SPATIAL REPRESENTATIONS OF UK COUNTER-TERRORISM**

Gareth Thompson

<https://discoversociety.org/2018/06/05/how-and-where-is-prevent-promoted-digital-visual-and-spatial-representations-of-uk-counter-terrorism/>

**RESEARCHING PREVENT: A GEOGRAPHICAL SILENCE**

Anna Lockley-Scott

<https://discoversociety.org/2018/06/05/researching-prevent-a-geographical-silence/>

**TERRORISM, AUTISM AND MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE UK PREVENT STRATEGY**

Charlotte Heath-Kelly

<https://discoversociety.org/2018/06/05/terrorism-autism-and-mental-illness-in-the-uk-prevent-strategy/>

Save the date

**Have your say on Prevent**

6<sup>th</sup> July in Slough

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/have-your-say-on-prevent-tickets-46570045259>

Government

**Securing the future: counter-terrorism strategy published**

Home Secretary Sajid Javid sets out the UK's response to evolving threat of terrorism.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/securing-the-future-counter-terrorism-strategy-published>

**Human Rights Committee**

**Subject: Legislative Scrutiny: Counter-Terrorism and Border Security Bill**

Witnesses: Max Hill QC, Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Legislation, and Corey Stoughton, Advocacy Director, Liberty

Full video: <https://www.parliamentlive.tv/Event/Index/08562a49-2e28-4afd-b62d-9108e7623ec0#player-tabs> (PREVENT discussed at 16:49.10)

Tweet:

<https://twitter.com/HumanRightsCtte/status/1009847474457104385>

Progress of the Bill: <https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2017-19/counterterrorismdbordersecurity.html>

n.b. see Clause 18 of Bill for section relevant to PREVENT

#### Reports and Papers

#### **More than words – Approaching a definition of Islamophobia**

MEND

<https://mend.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Approaching-a-definition-of-Islamophobia-More-than-words.pdf>

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#### Research Participants Wanted

Sam Andrews is a PhD student looking for statements from women on what they think about Prevent, and whether they have been affected by the policy. Statements can be any length, but please make them descriptive. All participants anonymous. Email: [samandrews@lincoln.ac.uk](mailto:samandrews@lincoln.ac.uk)

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#### **How UK Cops Invented 'Domestic Extremism' to Justify Political Spying**

<https://sptnkne.ws/hE3y>

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#### **Police facing surge in extremists released from jail, analysis finds**

Jamie Grierson and Caelainn Barr

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2018/jun/03/surge-in-terrorists-eligible-for-parole-poses-threat-to-uk-security>

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#### **Police and MI5 to get quicker tip-offs on suspicious purchases in new anti-terror plan**

Sanya Burges

<https://news.sky.com/story/police-and-mi5-to-get-quicker-tip-offs-on-suspicious-purchases-in-javids-anti-terror-plan-11394229>

#### **Major shift in war on terror**

Dominic Yeatman

<https://www.metro.news/major-shift-in-war-on-terror/1085819/>

**The Yorkshire Post says: Javid’s mission. Stepping up fight against extremism**

<https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/opinion/the-yorkshire-post-says-javid-s-mission-stepping-up-fight-against-extremism-1-9191270>

**Terror strategy: MI5 to share information on UK suspects**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-44351841>

**Sajid Javid to unveil revamped counter-terrorism strategy**

Peter Walker, Jamie Grierson and Caelainn Barr

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2018/jun/04/sajid-javid-unveil-revamped-counter-terrorism-strategy>

**Sunderland Uni academic speaks on counter-radicalisation**

<https://www.sun-fm.com/news/local/2597237/sunderland-uni-academic-speaks-on-counter-radicalisation/>

**Impact of Brussels anti-radicalisation spending unclear, say auditors**

Simone Rensch

<http://www.publicfinanceinternational.org/news/2018/06/impact-brussels-anti-radicalisation-spending-unclear-say-auditors>

**How London teenager plotted attacks with all-female terror cell**

Nadia Khomami

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2018/jun/04/how-london-teenager-plotted-attacks-with-all-female-terror-cell>

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**The radicalisation of Safaa Boular: A teenager's journey to terror**

Dominic Casciani

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-44359958>

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**Spies to reveal terrorism suspects to teachers in latest attempt to foil death plots**

RT

<https://www.rt.com/uk/428619-mi5-terror-islam-javid/>

**Local authorities are not MI5, warns LGA**

<http://www.publicsectorexecutive.com/Public-Sector-News/local-authorities-are-not-mi5-warns-lga>

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**Prevent anti-extremism strategy is hard to explain and shrouded in secrecy**

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### **Hambleton council raises concerns over housing asylum seekers**

Stuart Minting

[http://www.darlingtonandstocktontimes.co.uk/news/16271021.Council\\_raises\\_concerns\\_about\\_housing\\_asylum\\_seekers\\_in\\_rural\\_district/](http://www.darlingtonandstocktontimes.co.uk/news/16271021.Council_raises_concerns_about_housing_asylum_seekers_in_rural_district/)

### **Counterterrorism Efforts Can Radicalize Homegrown Terrorists, Study Finds**

Jonathan Lee

<https://www.inverse.com/article/45652-high-anti-muslim-google-searches-match-pro-isis-searches-in-u-s-communities>

### **In defence of the Prevent programme**

Joe McElroy (Institute for Strategic Dialogue)

<https://www.tes.com/news/defence-prevent-programme>

### **SHOCK REPORT: De-radicalisation programmes are NOT working**

Rebecca Perring

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/970249/Terror-news-de-radicalisation-uk-prevent-report>

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### **Vast majority of deradicalisation programmes 'ineffective'**

The Week

<http://www.theweek.co.uk/94112/vast-majority-of-deradicalisation-programmes-ineffective>

### **Croydon man who works with kids to counter Islamic extremism now hopes to reduce knife crime**

Sam Truelove

<https://www.croydonadvertiser.co.uk/news/croydon-news/croydon-man-who-works-kids-1650368>

### **Abdul Ahad: The Geordie Imam battling extremism**

Gareth Browne

<https://www.thenational.ae/world/europe/abdul-ahad-the-geordie-imam-battling-extremism-1.738017>

### **Ignorant councillor needs a lesson in diversity**

Joanna Morris

[http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/local/northyorkshire/thirsk/16276446.Jo\\_Morris\\_Ignorant\\_councillor\\_needs\\_a\\_lesson\\_in\\_diversity/](http://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/local/northyorkshire/thirsk/16276446.Jo_Morris_Ignorant_councillor_needs_a_lesson_in_diversity/)

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### **A civil liberties group just won a huge legal victory over five police forces and the Home Office**

Emily Apple

<https://www.thecanary.co/uk/analysis/2018/06/11/a-civil-liberties-group-just-won-a-huge-legal-victory-over-five-police-forces-and-the-home-office/>

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### **Policing Muslims, policing dissent: Free speech is under attack at Westminster University**

Malia Bouattia

<http://www.middleeasteye.net/columns/free-speech-under-attack-westminster-1491631438>

### **Partnerships to defeat extremism, says UK minister**

<http://www.uniindia.com/~partnerships-needed-to-defeat-extremism-says-uk-minister/India/news/1259069.html>

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### **Manchester researchers tackling extremism and promoting social unity**

<http://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/news/manchester-researchers-tackling-extremism-and-promoting-social-unity>

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## **Officials considered removing the Parsons Green bomber from list of extremists 10 days before attack**

Sarah Newey

<https://inews.co.uk/news/parsons-green-bomber-extremists-list/>

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## **Anti-terror officials discussed closing Parsons Green attacker's case 10 days before Tube bombing**

Lizzie Dearden

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/parsons-green-tube-bombing-close-station-london-underground-prevent-isis-a8404736.html>

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## **Councillor who said 'no proof' ISIS exists now helping protect kids from radicalisation**

Jeanette Oldham

<https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/midlands-news/councillor-who-said-no-proof-14804493>

## **UK hardest hit as report reveals EU faced 205 terror attacks last year**

Press Association

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/pa/article-5865543/UK-hardest-hit-report-reveals-EU-faced-205-terror-attacks-year.html>

## **Nigeria ramps up airport security amid concerns terrorists are training for UK attacks**

Harriet Mallinson

<https://www.express.co.uk/travel/articles/977031/nigeria-airport-security-terror-attack-terrorism>

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## **Woman who let friend practice Isis-style terror attack at her home is jailed**

Lizzie Dearden

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/isis-plot-all-women-terrorism-act-prison-sentence-islamic-state-uk-westminster-london-a8411701.html>

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## **Terrorist Radicalization ‘Biggest Scourge’ in U.K., Police Official Says**

Kitty Donaldson

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-06-26/terrorist-radicalization-biggest-scourge-in-u-k-police-says>

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**How shared values and partnership help Luton tackle extremism**

Nicola Monk

<https://www.lgcplus.com/services/community-cohesion/how-shared-values-and-partnership-help-luton-tackle-extremism/7024983.article>

**Doctors 'should not have to report' suspected terrorists**

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**MP's call to extend Copyright Directive filters to 'extremist' material attacked by Article 19**

Graeme Burton

<https://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/3034997/mps-call-to-extend-copyright-directive-filters-to-extremist-material-attacked-by-article-19>

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**Doctors insist they should not be forced to report patients or colleagues they suspect of having extremist ideologies to anti-terror chiefs**

Kate Pickles

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5898961/DOCTORS-insist-not-forced-terror-suspect-patients.html>

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**Young people being radicalised into violence by music videos and social media, former gang member warns**

Lizzie Dearden

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/violent-crime-knife-stabbings-radicalisation-drill-music-videos-social-media-a8423211.html>