

Prevent Duty & Anti-Extremism Statement

Step Into Learning is dedicated to protecting our students, staff, and the wider community from the dangers of radicalization and extremist views. We maintain a zero-tolerance policy toward all forms of extremism and take our legal responsibility under the Prevent Duty seriously to ensure early intervention and protection for those at risk.

Our Core Principles

We believe that education serves as a vital defence against indoctrination. Our curriculum and support systems are designed to help learners:

- Develop critical thinking skills to challenge extremist narratives.
- Uphold fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect.

Our Strategic Commitments

To maintain a safe learning environment, Step Into Learning will:

- **Foster a Secure Environment:** We provide a supportive space where risks are proactively identified and managed to prevent individuals from being drawn into terrorism.
- **Provide Essential Training:** All staff and students must complete up-to-date training to recognize signs of vulnerability and understand their role in the Prevent strategy.
- **Ensure Rigorous Reporting:** We utilize clear reporting channels to escalate concerns immediately to our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and relevant external agencies, such as Channel.
- **Maintain Digital Safety:** Our IT infrastructure is monitored to prevent access to extremist materials and protect our community from online radicalization.

Statutory Compliance & Accountability

Our policies are strictly aligned with national standards, including the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, Prevent Duty Guidance (2023), and Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE). We also maintain strong partnerships with local authorities to ensure effective referral pathways.

Compliance with this statement is mandatory for all students, staff, volunteers, and contractors. Through constant vigilance and a culture of safety, we ensure that Step Into Learning remains free from extremist influence

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