

# Independent Review of Prevent launches online engagement events

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The Independent Review of Prevent is reviewing the government's strategy for supporting people vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism and making recommendations for a future approach.

The Independent Reviewer of Prevent wants to hear from as wide a range of people as possible to help inform his final report and today announced plans for virtual public engagement events.

- Midlands – 13 July 5:30pm to 6:30pm
- London and South of England – 14 July 5:30pm to 6:30pm
- North of England – 15 July 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Although these events are separated by regions, attendees do not have to attend the event for their specific region. Attendees from other areas, in particular Scotland and Wales, are welcome to attend.

These events provide an opportunity for the public to have their say on Prevent, informing the recommendations submitted to government, and to share their views on key issues, including:

- what is the impact of Prevent on individuals, families and communities?
- what are the criticisms and complaints about Prevent?
- is Prevent tackling the causes of radicalisation?
- should there be a strategy aimed at supporting those vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism and what should it look like?

We will be contacting all attendees before the event to ask if they would like to submit comments in response to the above questions.

The Independent Reviewer of Prevent, William Shawcross, said:

I am conducting this review without fear or favour and would encourage anyone with a knowledge of Prevent, either through lived experience, or their paid or voluntary work to attend and share their thoughts.

I know there is a huge range of viewpoints and I am happy to hear from advocates and critics and everyone in between.

It is important to me that I hear all the evidence, so I can make recommendations on how to better support people to turn away from terrorism and help keep the public safe. Please do consider taking part; this is your opportunity to make your voice heard.

Those with lived experience of any aspect of the Prevent system, or those working in the voluntary, community, faith, youth, health, justice or education sectors, are encouraged to attend and share their views.

To get the most out of the event, attendees who do not have existing knowledge or experience of Prevent are encouraged to consider a variety of views on Prevent in advance and [read the government's official information](#).

Each event will be held virtually on an online video platform, Zoom, which can be accessed by a smartphone, laptop or tablet. Phone dial-in details will also be available if needed. You will need to pre-register for events and places are limited so we may not be able to offer a place to everyone who wishes to attend. We therefore encourage you to register early.

Places will be confirmed 3 days in advance of the meeting.

To register to attend an engagement event, please see below:

If you are not able to attend a public event but want to share your thoughts you can contact the Review team at:

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