

## Prevent Duty

Prevent is part of the counter terrorism strategy CONTEST. CONTEST covers four areas including Prevent. Prevent has three specific strategic objectives.

**1** Respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and threat we face from those who promote it.

**2** Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support.

**3** Work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to address.

In complying with the duty we must demonstrate an awareness and understanding of the risk of radicalisation in our area. We must establish mechanisms for understanding the risk of radicalisation; ensure staff understand the risk (by providing awareness training for them) and build the capabilities to deal with it. In doing so we need to work in partnership with others including other local authorities and the police. Local authorities are expected to use counter terrorism local profiles to assess risk. It is expected that the duty is covered in Safeguarding arrangements. Local Action Plans are to be created.

## What have Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council put in place?

Strategic Gold Leads for the Authority are John Sampson and Michael Greene. Silver Leads are Sue Beevers and Jay Hosie. An Operational Group consisting of officers across the authority and partners has been established.

All local authorities, schools and childcare providers must have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and violent extremism.