



Risk Assessment For Radicalisation and Extremism

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Radicalisation risk in Deeping St James / rural Lincolnshire is generally low, but the threat from online extremist material and indirect influence means Linchfield Academy must include it in their safeguarding planning. The focus is on early identification of vulnerability, online safety, and proportionate risk assessment, supported by local Prevent frameworks.

Identify the Risk:	Who might be harmed and how:	Risk Level (as identified by the SE framework)	Existing precautions:	Any additional precautions needed:
Being located in an area of rural depavation at a time of political instability, causing tension within communities. Furthermore, this is developing strong opinions within people and far right views such as opinions on the farming land, jobs and housing.	Anyone can be radicalised and potentially be at harm, but factors such as being easily influenced and impressionable make children and young people particularly vulnerable. In this particular risk some families are more vulnerable due rising costs of living, leading to them struggling financially and/or being unsuccessful in seeking employment.	2 - Green	Embed Prevent awareness into safeguarding policies Staff trained on PREVENT and how report concerns. Children are being taught through PSHE sessions, assemblies about British Values and protected characteristics. Picture news taught weekly keeps children up to date on current issues worldwide. DSL attending regular forum to be kept up to date of current issues and trends, and how to support any identified risks – ‘hope not hate charity’ being useful resource and support. Liaise with local Prevent coordinators and police	The need to further develop the knowledge of the children on more specific contextual issues and the sensitivity needed around this.
Online Exposure	Anyone can be radicalised	2 - Green	Staff trained on PREVENT	To ensure all pupils are

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The greatest radicalising factor locally — including in Lincolnshire — is online extremism, not in-person recruitment. Extremist content can reach children via social media and gaming platforms. Children may encounter propaganda, conspiracy theories, or polarising narratives without adult context, which can be confusing or emotionally compelling. The use of unfiltered, unmonitored online activity and usage through electronic devices, especially mobile phones and the use of social media and how age appropriate searches can direct/expose children innocently to information (Andrew Tate and other socialists views/messages being a current cause for concerns Masogony being one of many.	and potentially be at harm, but factors such as being easily influenced and impressionable make children and young people particularly vulnerable. Adverse childhood experiences, combined with specific influences from family and peers or online connections, anyone exposure to online extremist material via social media or the internet – for example, propaganda including pictures, videos, blogs and fake news exposure to extremist, terrorist or other violent activity in overseas settings, access or exposure to extremist leaflets, magazines or stickering exposure to extremist groups hosting marches, protests or stalls.		AND ONLINE SAFETY and how to report a concern. Staff kept up to date on latest trends through training and briefing. Children are being taught through PSHE lessons and external workshops about internet and online safety. Encourage open conversations about media and influence Newsletters to parents providing advice and information on internet/online safety and appropriate watershed and filtration restrictions. Signposting for parents to websites for support and further information on internet/online safety. Posters around school and website. Internet safety policy in place. Regular monitoring of SENSO (school filtration system) provided by	reminded of internet safety rules before the use of any electronic device in school and how to respond to concerns. HELP – Hide your screen, Explain what you've seen, Leave the device, Plan School to have contacts/support from external source to offer advice/resources for hate crime, radicalisation, extremism.
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			external IT professionals (ARK) ensuring this is recorded and responded to, logging on Cpoms and actioning, as well as looking for trends. Liaising with local Prevent coordinators and police	
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PREVENT RISK ASSESSMENT UPDATE - LINCOLNSHIRE CONTEXT 2026

- Lincolnshire Prevent identifies online extremism, self-initiated radicalisation and extreme right-wing extremism as ongoing risks. Young people remain vulnerable to online grooming and extremist content.
- Additional contextual risks include misinformation, disinformation, conspiracy theories, polarising narratives linked to world events and AI-generated content that can appear credible.
- Exposure to misogynistic influencers and harmful online content should be monitored as part of safeguarding and Prevent practice.
- The school will continue promoting British Values, protected characteristics, equality, respect and community cohesion and will challenge any prejudice-related incidents.
- DSLs will review Prevent updates, filtering reports and safeguarding trends regularly and liaise with Prevent and police partners where required.