

# ANNUAL PREVENT DUTY ASSURANCE PROCESS 2023/24

Leicestershire Benchmarking Update 2024

# COUNTER TERRORISM & SECURITY ACT 2015

Sec 26

- **General duty on specified authorities**

- (1) A specified authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

- Sec 29

- **Power to issue guidance**

- (1) The Secretary of State may issue guidance to specified authorities about the exercise of their duty under section 26(1).

- (2) A specified authority must have regard to any such guidance in carrying out that duty

## PREVENT DUTY

- Govt CT Strategy and Prevent Duty – refreshed and specified authorities must be compliant by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.
- HO Regional Support
- Home Office Prevent Benchmark Toolkit refresh – 8 L/A Benchmarks

## SPECIFIED AUTHORITIES

1. Local Authorities (Unitary, County, District and Borough)
2. Schools
3. Further education
4. Higher Education
5. NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts.
6. Prisons and Probation
7. The Police.

# SUMMARY OF ASSURANCE PROCESS

## **Key strengths identified as part of our prevent delivery for financial year 2023/24:**

1. Exceptional governance structure
2. Excellent risk assessment processes across the county
3. Partnership plans are very strong

## **Key actions/recommendations to assist in improving Prevent delivery:**

- Basic training is made mandatory for all local authority staff.

## EIGHT LOCAL AUTHORITY BENCHMARKS

	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Delivery Outcome</b>
1	Multi Agency Partnership Group	Exceeded
2	Local Risk Assessment	Exceeded
3	Prevent Partnership Plan	Exceeded
4	Referral Pathway	Exceeded
5	Channel Panel	N/A
6	Training Programme	Exceeded in part
7	Reducing Permissive Environments	Exceeded
8	Communication and Engagement	Met