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Home Office Promotional Videos for Prevent

**Prevent: An Introduction**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Otc2eaRY32s&feature=youtu.be>

Full Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6eAeJPK7OGE&list=PLOEg6TE9fgwXZFl9VCXzR70gxVKdY9Obc>

Home Office refusal to comply with Freedom of Information request regarding the costs and outsourcing arrangements for the production of the Prevent videos

[OSCTFOI FOI 59961 Dr Rob Faure Walker - FINAL](https://c01a0121-f3fa-44e4-bc9a-abd5aca7beb1.filesusr.com/ugd/014092_1683448167db497a8f8703ce3362545d.pdf)

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Reports and Papers

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Resources

**Defund the police:Reformist Reforms vs Abolitionist Steps for UK policing**

Abolitionist Futures

<https://abolitionistfutures.com/defund-the-police>

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**Dropping the word 'jihadi' won't fix an inherently racist UK police**

Malia Bouattia

<https://english.alaraby.co.uk/english/comment/2020/8/4/dropping-the-word-jihadi-wont-fix-uk-police-racism>

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**Teaching youngsters to make anti-extremism videos ‘effective’ in tackling radicalisation**

Nicky Harley

<https://www.thenational.ae/world/teaching-youngsters-to-make-anti-extremism-videos-effective-in-tackling-radicalisation-1.1058490>

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**Shamima Begum school brings in ‘robust’ measures to spot radicalisation in pupils**

Matt Watts

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/education/shamima-begum-school-brings-in-measures-to-spot-radicalisation-a4516926.html>

**Police are trying to support people away from ‘negative influence’ during lockdown and beyond**

MKFM

<https://www.mkfm.com/news/local-news/police-are-trying-to-support-people-away-from-negative-influence-during-lockdown-and-beyond/>

**Scotland Yard's counter-terrorism chief warns new attack on London is 'likely' after lockdown**

Martin Bentham

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/crime/terrorist-attack-london-likely-lockdown-scotland-yard-a4517156.html>

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**Young Ahmed, review: radical Islam meets teenage angst in Belgium**

Robbie Collin

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/films/0/young-ahmed-review-radical-islam-meets-teenage-angst-belgium1/>

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**Young Ahmed review — silly drama about radicalised teenager**

Kevin Maher

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/young-ahmed-review-silly-drama-about-radicalised-teenager-sb6f9fzm8>

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**Young Ahmed review: A clear-sighted attempt to go beyond the headlines of Islamist radicalisation**

Clarisse Loughrey

<https://www.independent.co.uk/arts-entertainment/films/reviews/young-ahmed-review-dardenne-brothers-islamist-radicalisation-curzon-a9656931.html>

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**"We can't blame one community": founder of Bradford organisation says "unity" only way to avoid local lockdown**

Yusef Alam

<https://www.thetelegraphandargus.co.uk/news/18640955.cant-blame-one-community-founder-bradford-organisation-says-unity-way-avoid-local-lockdown/>

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Alex Turner

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**Most students in British universities support Prevent**

Prof Steven Greer

<https://counterterrorbusiness.com/features/most-students-british-universities-support-prevent/page/0/1>

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**How I was radicalised in Nairobi, British ISIS bride narrates**

Nancy Agutu

<https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2020-08-16-how-i-was-radicalised-in-nairobi-british-isis-bride-narrates/>

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**We’ve lost a brother and son to Isis – now we are working together to combat terrorism**

iTeam

<https://inews.co.uk/opinion/brothers-sons-isis-combat-terrorism-588191>

**London school where terror plotter tried to recruit 'army of children' for attacks given warning by watchdog**

Lizzie Dearden

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/leyton-school-terror-plot-warning-umar-haque-a9681881.html>

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**The 'fighting Islamophobia' books for young adults**

Manish Pandey and Levi Jouavel

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**Leeds sees 'concerning' rise in referrals to anti-extremism scheme Prevent**

Joanna Wardill

<https://www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk/news/crime/leeds-sees-concerning-rise-referrals-anti-extremism-scheme-prevent-2955367>