Prevent Duty Guidance

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The *Prevent* strategy is very much the hot topic of 2015 within the IT community. On 12th March 2015 the strategy became statutory guidance under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, and enforcing it became a real, legal obligation.

With the increasing threat of young people being radicalised, specified bodies — local authorities, schools, colleges and universities among others — are expected to demonstrate activity in the following areas to try and prevent those in their care from 'being drawn into terrorism':

- Risk assessment
- Working in partnership with Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs)
- Staff training
- IT policies

The penalties of failing to display activity within these areas can be severe, including deregistration for Independent schools and the loss of funding for Academies and Free Schools.

The amount of terrorist and extremist content online is growing, so IT solutions have an extremely important role to play in protecting their customers whilst online. Smoothwall can help its customers adhere to *Prevent* by helping them to protect their users, detect any warning signs and support vulnerable people whilst using the internet.

Protect



Our "**Terrorism**" category uses the Home Office terrorism blocklist to block terrorist content per Government guidelines. Our in-house categorisation team have also worked closely with our customers to extend this category beyond the Home Office blocklist to offer unmatched protection against terrorist and extremist content.

Detect



Smoothwall's reporting suite allows you to monitor and report on all user access in real time. You can detect warning signs early, preventing them from escalating into more serious issues.

Support



Custom blockpages can offer channels of support instead of the default blockpage, allowing you to continue the conversation and provide help to vulnerable students or staff.

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