The Prevent Duty at West Somerset College

West Somerset College meets the requirements of the Prevent Duty and therefore seeks to safeguard students and staff from becoming radicalised or attracted to extreme or terrorist causes, and to keep them both safe and within the law.

The Prevent Duty is not about preventing students from having political and religious views and concerns but about supporting them to use those concerns or act on them in non-extremist ways.

Prevent is part of the UK’s counter terrorism strategy: CONTEST

Staff and students are trained to look for the signs of possible radicalisation but also to ensure there is freedom of expression in the College.

If there are concerns about radicalisation with students or staff at school, students and staff are encouraged to talk to their Tutor, Achievement Leader, to Christopher Lund (Safeguarding officer) or Mary Cranna Designated Safeguarding office.

If parents or members of the public have concerns about radicalisation with students, prospective students or staff outside school, they should contact Christopher Lund, Safeguarding officer or Mary Cranna Designated Safeguarding officer on 01643 706061.