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Chylch Chwarae

**Gresffordd Gresford**

Governors' Clubs and Playgroup

# PREVENT Policy

<b>Equality Act Impact Assessment</b>	<b>YES</b>	NO	Ionawr 2025
<b>Last Review Date</b>	Ionawr 2025		
<b>Date to be reviewed</b>	February 2026		
<b>Date Adopted by Management Committee</b>	19.02.2025		
<b>Responsible Individual - Mr Richard Hatwood</b>			
<b>Chair of Management Committee – Mrs Jan MacDonald</b>			

## **1. Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that GGCP meets its obligations under the Prevent Duty, safeguarding children and families from the risks of radicalisation, extremism, and terrorism. GGCP is committed to creating a safe environment that promotes British values of democracy, individual liberty, mutual respect, and tolerance for others. This policy is in line with the Prevent Duty Guidance issued by the UK Government.

## **2. Scope**

This policy applies to all GGCP staff, trustees, volunteers, and stakeholders involved in the care and supervision of children. It covers the responsibilities and procedures for identifying, reporting, and responding to any concerns related to radicalisation, extremism, or any activity that may pose a risk to children and families.

## **3. Policy Statement**

GGCP is committed to:

- Protecting children from the risks of radicalisation and extremism.
- Promoting values of democracy, respect, tolerance, and individual liberty within the playgroup.
- Ensuring that all staff are trained to identify and respond to any signs of vulnerability to radicalisation.
- Working in partnership with local authorities, safeguarding boards, and other relevant bodies to prevent the risk of radicalisation.

## **4. Legal Framework**

This policy is designed to meet the requirements of:

- The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015
- Prevent Duty Guidance for England and Wales (2015)
- The Children Act 1989 and 2004 (safeguarding obligations)
- All relevant safeguarding and child protection legislation

## **5. Definitions**

### **5.1 Radicalisation**

Radicalisation is the process by which individuals come to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups.

### **5.2 Extremism**

Extremism is defined as vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.

## **6. Responsibilities**

### **6.1 Trustees**

- The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for ensuring GGCP complies with the Prevent Duty.
- Trustees will review the Prevent Policy annually to ensure it remains effective and up-to-date.

### **6.2 Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)**

- The DSL is responsible for overseeing Prevent Duty implementation, ensuring that all staff understand the risks of radicalisation and extremism and are equipped to identify and respond to any concerns.
- The DSL will act as the point of contact for Prevent-related concerns and will work with local safeguarding partners as necessary.

### **6.3 Staff and Volunteers**

- All GGCP staff and volunteers have a duty to be vigilant and aware of the signs of radicalisation and extremism.
- Staff and volunteers are responsible for reporting any concerns regarding children or families to the DSL without delay.
- Staff are required to promote British values in their interactions and activities with children.

## **7. Risk Assessment and Preventative Measures**

### **7.1 Risk Assessment**

- GGCP will assess the risk of children being drawn into terrorism or extremism as part of its safeguarding procedures. This includes assessing GGCP's activities, the local community context, and specific vulnerabilities.
- The risk assessment will be reviewed annually or as required if new risks are identified.

### **7.2 Promotion of British Values**

- GGCP is committed to embedding British values in its activities, teaching respect, tolerance, democracy, and individual liberty.
- Activities, discussions, and play will reflect these values, encouraging children to appreciate diversity, respect others, and develop empathy.

### **7.3 Staff Training**

- All GGCP staff and volunteers will receive training on the Prevent Duty as part of their safeguarding training.
- Training will cover the identification of signs of radicalisation, understanding vulnerability factors, and the procedures for reporting concerns.
- Regular refresher training will ensure staff remain informed of current risks and best practices in preventing radicalisation.

## **8. Recognising Signs of Radicalisation**

GGCP staff will be vigilant in observing any signs of vulnerability to radicalisation, which may include:

- Isolation from family and friends or sudden withdrawal from social interactions.
- Expression of extreme views or intolerance toward other cultures, religions, or beliefs.
- Changes in behaviour, language, or appearance that may signal alignment with extremist ideologies.
- Accessing or expressing interest in extremist websites, videos, or materials.

## **9. Reporting and Responding to Concerns**

### **9.1 Reporting Concerns**

- If a staff member has concerns about a child or family member being at risk of radicalisation, they must report it immediately to the DSL.
- The DSL will document the concern and evaluate it, considering whether it warrants further action in accordance with GGCP's safeguarding procedures.

### **9.2 Escalation and Referral**

- If the DSL assesses that there is a significant risk, they will contact local safeguarding partners or the local Prevent Coordinator for guidance and support.
- In cases where there is an immediate risk of harm, the DSL will contact the police and local authority safeguarding team directly.

## **10. Safeguarding and Confidentiality**

- All Prevent-related concerns will be treated with the utmost confidentiality, shared only with those directly involved in the safeguarding process.
- GGCP will maintain secure records of all Prevent concerns, actions, and outcomes, ensuring data protection compliance.

## **11. Working in Partnership**

GGCP will work collaboratively with:

- Local Authorities and Safeguarding Partners: For guidance and referrals if radicalisation or extremism risks are identified.
- Other Agencies: Including the police, health services, and social services, to provide a comprehensive safeguarding approach.
- Parents and Carers: GGCP values open communication with parents and carers and will work with them to address any concerns regarding children's welfare or exposure to extremism.

## **12. Policy Communication**

- GGCP will make this policy available to all staff, trustees, volunteers, and parents.

- Information about GGCP's commitment to preventing radicalisation and extremism will be included in the organisation's safeguarding materials.

### **13. Policy Review**

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board of Trustees or sooner if there are changes in Prevent Duty Guidance or safeguarding legislation. Feedback from staff, trustees, and local safeguarding partners will inform updates to the policy as needed.

### **14. Compliance with Prevent Duty Guidance**

This policy complies with the UK Government's Prevent Duty Guidance, addressing the statutory obligation of childcare providers to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

### **15. Contact Information**

For any questions or to report a Prevent-related concern, please contact:

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