# Channel Panel

# Information Leaflet

# Who is the Channel Panel and what do they do?



The Channel Panel is a group of people that meet monthly. They work to stop children and adults at risk from joining **extremist** or terrorist groups. And make sure they are kept safe.

# What is extremism and terrorism?





A group of people sharing extreme or very strong ideas or beliefs. Usually ideas that not many people share.

This might be showing hate towards others. And trying to convince people to share the same ideas. These ideas could harm other groups of people.

Terrorism is like extremism but also uses violence or the threat of violence. This might be using ideas to cause fear, chaos, injury or death.

# Why people might join extremism or terrorism

### People might join extremism or terrorism by:

- Being targeted by a group or person
- Seeing online information that makes extremist acts sound fun.
- Feeling lonely and looking for someone or something to turn to









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# Working with the Channel Panel



If we are worried you are at risk we will ask for your consent to share information to help keep you safe. You can choose to work with us or use any services we offer or not.

If you choose to work with us, we will agree what plan is best for you and support you to make changes. We will help you for as long as you need but you can stop at any time.

We might refer you to another provider who will meet with you. They will find out how you feel and if you are taking part in unsafe behaviour. They will talk things through with you and help you to think about things differently.

We will check with you 6 and 12 months after you have finished using the service, to make sure that you are safe and do not need any further support.

### How to report a concern

Email: **CTPNW.Merseyside@merseyside.pnn.police.uk** Tel: **01606 365986** Cheshire Constabulary - Refer someone to the Prevent Team

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