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<b>Summary</b>	
This report is to update members with on-going City of London Prevent activity.	

### Prevent activity

1. There have been no Channel cases since September 2020 SCP meeting. The Community Safety Team has the capacity to operate meetings virtually via Microsoft Teams and will liaise with partners accordingly should a referral come to our attention.
2. The Community Safety Officer (CSO) leading on Prevent is currently attending bi-weekly virtual forums with the London Prevent Network, which includes all London Prevent coordinators and updates with partners such as, SO15 Counter-Terrorism Policing, Department of Education, NHSE Prevent, OHST and National Probation Service. Best practice, support for coordinators in delivering Prevent activity and national updates are the focus of this forum.
3. The CSO joint with City Police’s Prevent Officer actively work to promote Prevent training packages and awareness sessions to businesses, community groups, partner agencies and the education sector. Due to COVID 19, all face-to-face training sessions have been replaced by virtual sessions. Additionally, the Home Office online package has been suggested as a temporary alternative. Training has been provided to CoLP new starters, transferees and scheduled to deliver session to CoL apprentices in the new year.
4. On the 18 November 2020 Counter Terrorism Policing launched a national safeguarding website [www.actearly.uk](http://www.actearly.uk) to encourage family and friends to share concerns that a friend or loved one might be vulnerable to radicalisation. This has been prompted via the City Corporations internal and external communication channels, such as social media, CoL forums, website and intranet.

5. The CSO and Prevent Officer have worked closely with DfE to deliver a Prevent Forum for Higher and Further Education establishments within the City. Content included, local and national threat picture, right wing and Islamist extremism, CoL channel case study and process for referrals, interventions, Act Early Campaign and local partnership work. This took place 26 November 2020 with 25 attendees. The team will work to replicate this forum for primary and secondary education establishments in the new year.
6. The CSO constructed an article for City residents in the @Home newsletter – ‘*Safeguarding our communities through Prevent*’. The content focused on online safety, spotting the signs of radicalisation, contact details of the Police and City Corporation and further support materials. A further article will be published highlighting the Act Early campaign.

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