**PREVENT Statement**

There is no single profile of a person likely to become involved in extremism, however the decision by a young person to engage with a group, cause or ideology may:

* Begin with a search for answers about identity, faith or belonging
* Be drawn by a desire for adventure / excitement / cause
* Be drawn by a desire to enhance self-esteem / creditability / status
* Be driven by a need for identity, social network and support
* Be fueled by a sense of grievance triggered triggered by experience of racism / discrimination
* Driven by a desire for political or moral change

**As a person becomes more engaged they may:**

* Over identify with a group or ideology
* Adopt them and us thinking
* Promote Harmful objectives
* Adopt attitudes that justify offending
* Dehumanise perceived enemy

