



SAFEGUARDING & PREVENT FORUM

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ABOUT:

- IT Filtering & Monitoring
- Safeguarding for Adults
- Local Risk - a focus for Ofsted
- KCSIE
- Sector/Curriculum specific themes
- CPD & training

AN OVERVIEW OF ATTENDANTS' SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS

The forum opened with a discussion amongst the delegates. We had attendees from West Yorkshire, North Yorkshire, and Hull & East Riding, all of which had localised concern for the recent increase in knife-related crime.

The additional responsibility on WY providers is that 4 of the 5 local authority areas are tier 1 hotspot areas for terrorism – which is determined by the MI5 & the national terrorism unit.

Other providers who deliver provision in manufacturing & construction roles had concerns regarding workplace 'banter'.

There are concerns for female apprentice's feelings of safety as well as concern for male apprentice's being influenced.



Providers feel that there is a lack of support from specialist services in local areas and not enough accessible guidance on local risk.

There is also concerns regarding the mental health of young people post-COVID-19. There has been a noticeable impact on motivation, self-esteem and social skills.

Another provider, from Scarborough (North Yorkshire), pointed out that their local concerns are seasonal, being that it is a tourism hotspot.

Sectoral concerns were also covered, such as -

- Prevent plans for hairdressing provisions - products used within the industry can be used with dangerous & radical intent
- Incel language is being used within the classroom and tutors/teachers are not aware nor picking up on the potential harms
- Digital and cyber learners are often susceptible to online harassment, grooming and radicalisation.



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Chris' aim for the forum was to cover safeguarding & prevent delivery within an Ofsted framework.

In total, there have been 43 murders carried out in the UK with terrorist intent - all influenced by online radicalisation.



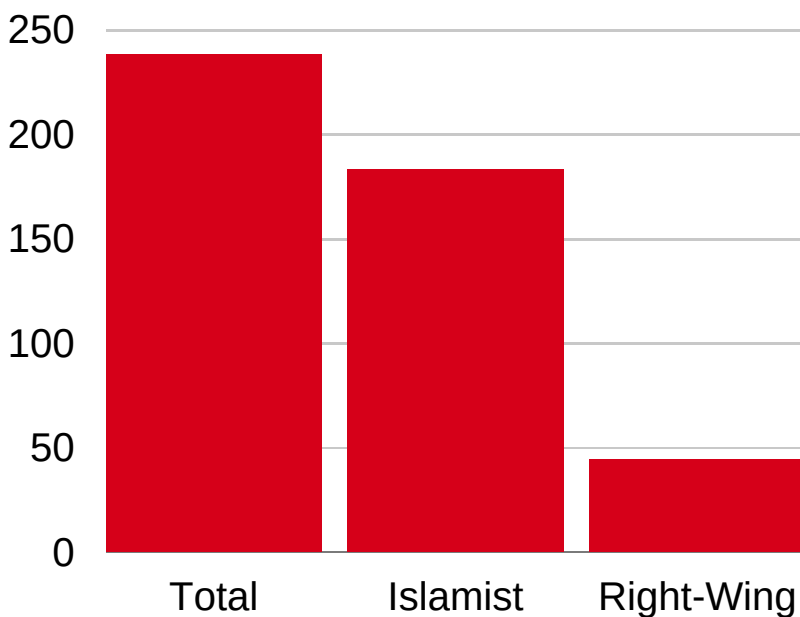
**WHERE IS THE
BIGGEST CONCERN?**

RADICALISATION & RISK

Currently, there are 800+ subjects of interest for terrorist threat in the UK. Since February 9th 2022, the national threat level is at 'Substantial', meaning an attack is likely.

The primary national threat is Daesh, an Islamic State terrorist organisation that operate heavily on the web to radicalise those in the UK.

Though not as prevalent, extreme right-wing terrorism is still a major concern - right-wing terrorists often take inspiration from Islamic terrorist sites.



Number of convicted terrorists in custody (UK)



COUNTER TERRORISM POLICING

THE REGIONAL THREAT ASSESSMENT



There are currently four areas of concern for preventative measures and counter-terrorism. They are as follows:

- Islamist Extremism/Terrorism
- Right-Wing Extremism & Extreme Right-Wing Terrorism
- LASIT (Including Incel & Mixed/Unstable Ideology)
- Online Extremism



EDUCATIONAL PROVIDER INFORMATION

THEMES THAT INSPECTIONS HAVE HIGHLIGHTED LINKED TO PREVENT

- Prevent Plan
- Understanding the National/local risks
- Understanding Extremism
- Delivering Fundamental British Values
- IT Security

FUNDAMENTAL BRITISH VALUES

Identifying extremism becomes simpler when there is a clear understanding of the Fundamental British Values:

- Democracy
- The Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect and Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs

Therefore, vocal or active opposition should be considered a significant prevent issue and a Prevent Referral Form must be submitted.



PREVENT PLAN

It is recommended that all training providers should have a Prevent Plan in place. All staff should be aware of the prevent strategy and also how the plan coincides with the Safeguarding and Prevent policy. Staff should also be aware of the Counter Terrorism local profile which is available for each area.

Ensure tutors are aware of learners hobbies and regular activities.

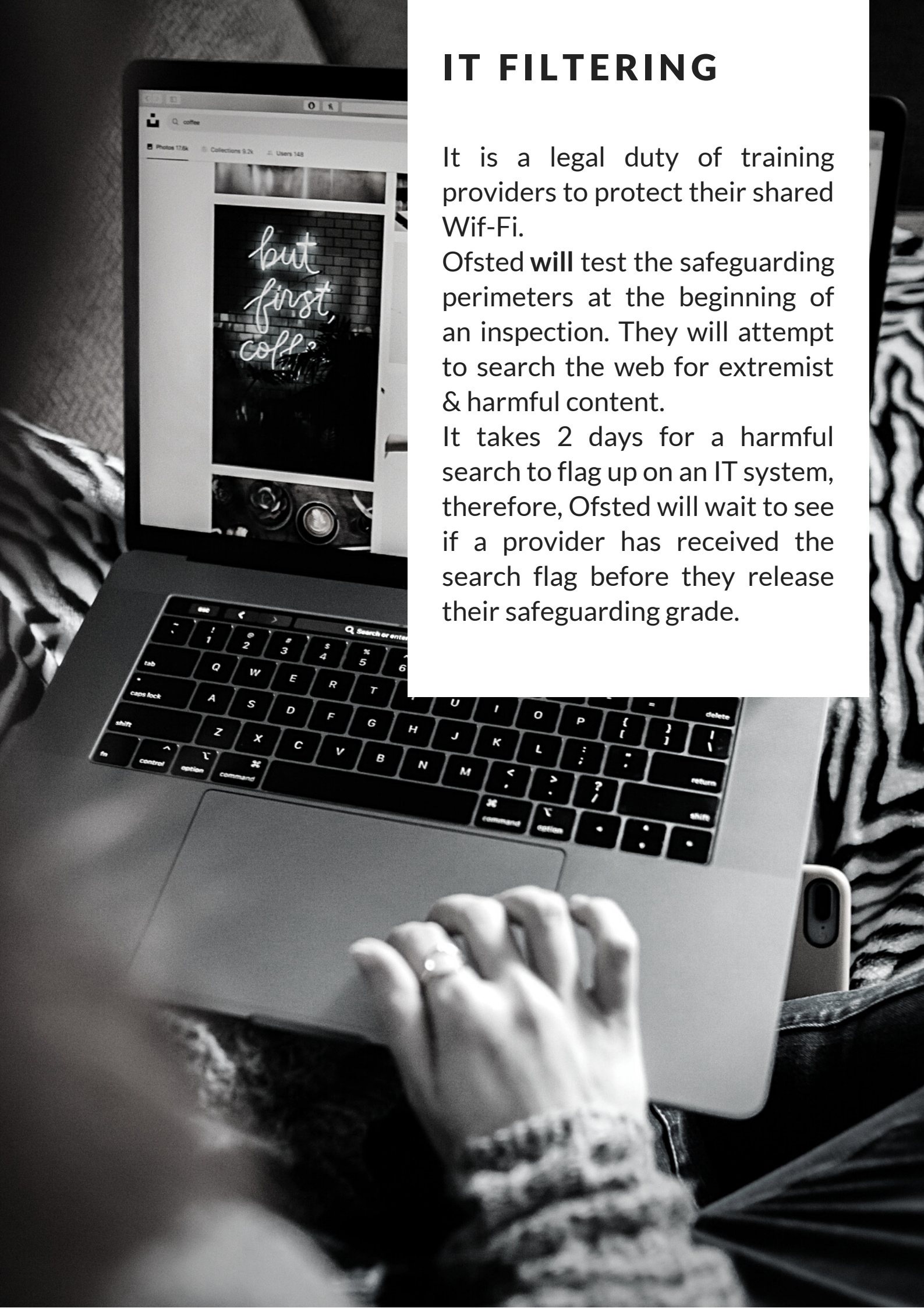


IT FILTERING

It is a legal duty of training providers to protect their shared Wif-Fi.

Ofsted will test the safeguarding perimeters at the beginning of an inspection. They will attempt to search the web for extremist & harmful content.

It takes 2 days for a harmful search to flag up on an IT system, therefore, Ofsted will wait to see if a provider has received the search flag before they release their safeguarding grade.





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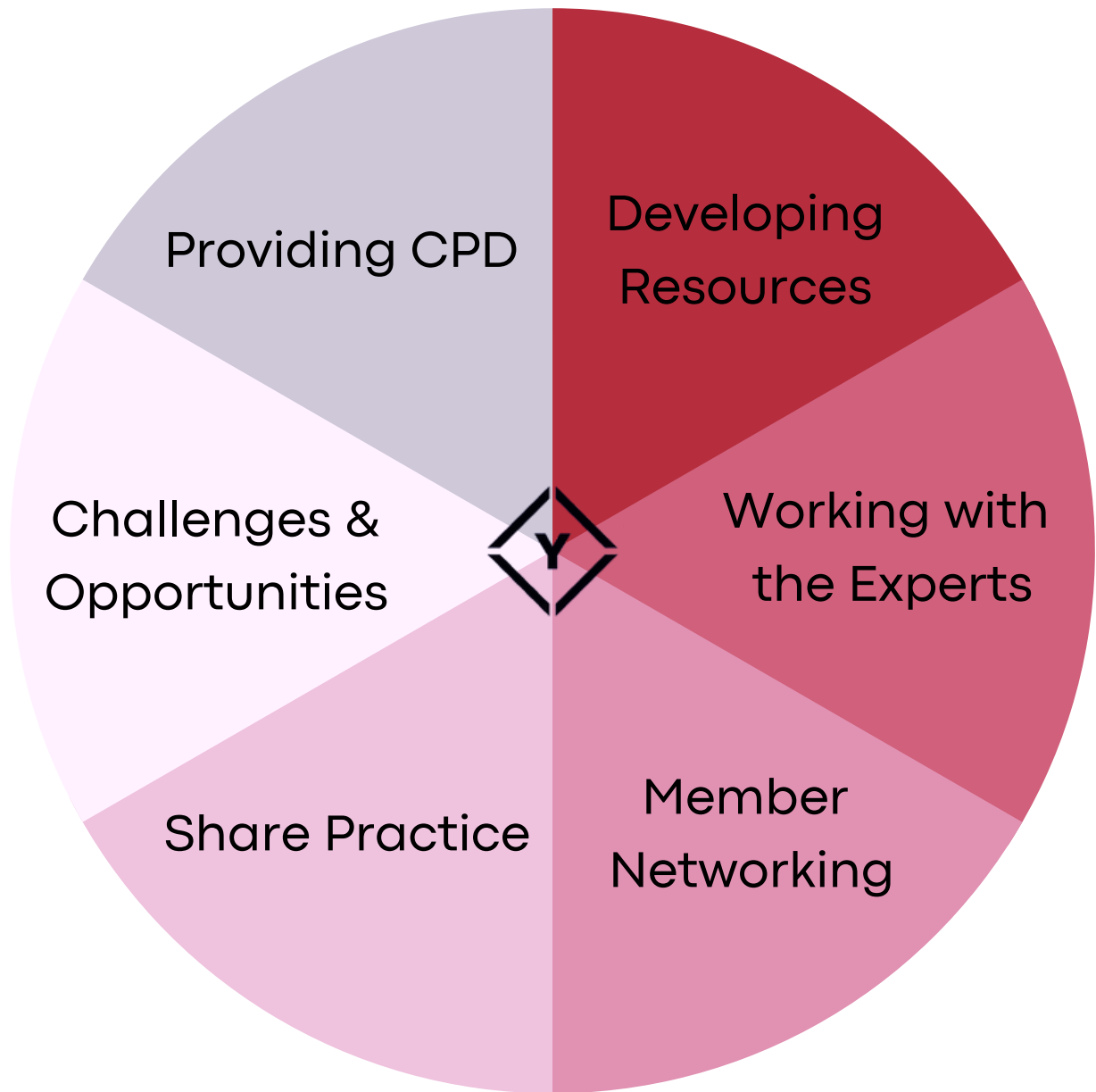
RLB SAFEGUARDING CONSULTANCY & TRAINING

Often the KCSIE is difficult to relate to Further Education. There is a need to reframe the act to suit adult education. Adults are equally at risk of feelings of unsafety.

Abuse, coercion and domestic issues are all potential risks for adult learners. To implement effective safeguarding strategies, providers need to work regularly with boards and employers for awareness and ensuring understanding.

A culture of safety needs to be created within both the training organisation, as well as within the employer organisations.

THE YLP SAFEGUARDING FORUM WILL CONTINUE MEETING QUARTERLY



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