

Workstream 3: Radicalisation (Prevent)

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Key outcomes in 2018 include:

- 1) Leverhulme/BA Small grants award (6K) to explore parents experiences of social service involvement following a PREVENT referral.
- 2) Two visits to Mid Sweden University by Jo Finch (Jan 2018 and Sept 2018) to undertake teaching sessions with MA Social Work students on the issues of radicalisation and social work
- 3) Book chapter (Finch, J. and McKendrick, D. (2019) Securitising Social Work: Counter Terrorism, Extremism and Radicalisation in Webb, S. (ed) Routledge Handbook of Critical Social Work, Routledge, London)
- 4) Previous published article, McKendrick, D. and Finch, J. (2016) "Under Heavy Manners: Social Work, Radicalisation, Troubled Families and Non-linear War, *British Journal of Social Work*. 47 (2): 308-324) now has growing citations from across disciplines (currently 22).
<https://scholar.google.co.uk/scholar?oi=bibs&hl=en&cites=15254142918898828608>
- 5) *Article* in review (McKendrick, D. and Finch, J. PREVENT, Safeguarding and the Common-Sensing of Social Work in the UK, Aotearoa New Zealand Social Work Journal
- 6) Article in review: Finch, J., Jönsson, J. Kamali, M. and McKendrick, D. Social Work and Countering Violent Extremism in Sweden and the UK, *European Journal of Social Work*
- 7) Nordforsk round 1 grant application submitted in November 2018, UEL part of a consortium with academics from UEL, Scotland, Sweden and Norway, (1 million euros bid)

Plans for the coming year

- 1) Undertake the Leverhulme funded research project and disseminate findings to increase knowledge and understanding of the experiences of families subject to Prevent processes
- 2) Continuing to apply for research funding
- 3) Jo Finch attendance at a day two consultation event held at St Georges House, Windsor Castle. This is an invite only conference with around 30 attendees from a range of disciplines and backgrounds

Summary

As it can be seen the focus on the work stream has been on research, networking and research dissemination, rather than on campaigning and wider communication. There is a clear need to expand the activities of this work stream and include practitioners directly or indirectly involved with working with those at risk from radicalisation.