

## Prevent annual accountability statement

Throughout the year and up to the date of approval, [Provider name]:

- has had due regard to the need to prevent people being drawn into terrorism (the Prevent duty)
- has provided to OfS all required information about its implementation of the Prevent duty
- has reported to OfS in a timely way all serious issues related to the Prevent duty, or now attaches any reports that should have been made, with an explanation of why they were not submitted
- has reviewed, and where necessary, updated its Prevent risk assessment and action plan

### Accountability statement

Governing bodies/proprietors are required to provide a short statement (max 300 words) outlining the mechanisms to which they have been assured that they are able to sign the above declarations satisfactorily.

Compliance with the Prevent Duty has been overseen by the School's Prevent Group which last met on 28 October 2019. The annual return was considered by the School's executive body (School Management Committee) before being approved by Council on 12 November 2019.

During the reporting period:

- The School was selected by the OfS for a Prevent Review Meeting as part of the new monitoring framework and visited in June. The submission of documentation in advance of the meeting included an updated action plan and revised risk register which had been approved by the Prevent Group.
- The outcome of the PRM meeting was that the School had '*demonstrated sufficient evidence of due regard to the Prevent duty*'. This outcome was reported to both Audit Committee and Council and all required actions were completed on time.
- As a consequence of discussions at the PRM, the School's Risk Spotter Group has been identified as a case study of good practice in an upcoming OfS report and the LSE has been invited to contribute to a seminar on Freedom of Expression.
- The School's Safeguarding Policy was reviewed by the internal auditors (KPMG) as part of a Safeguarding audit. The Policy outlines the School's responsibilities to working with vulnerable groups and the roles of individual departments. A Harassment and Safeguarding Forum has recently been established to ensure ownership of responsibilities relating to safeguarding. It is a strategic group which reports to the School Management Committee, setting the overall Safeguarding Policy and helping to develop processes to ensure it is implemented.
- In addition to the Risk Spotters Group, a LSE Events Board, chaired by the Deputy Chief Operating Officer, has been established to provide further oversight of School events, particularly those associated with issues of free speech or potential controversy.

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