



Information Sheet

Thank you for taking part in this survey. Please read through the information below, and feel free to contact me on the email below if you have any questions or require further information.

*Kind regards,
Max Weedon*

SURVEY

The Education Sector and Government Policies: Exploring education professionals' perceptions on the Prevent duty and Fundamental British Values in relation to professional identity and the teaching profession in one region.

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About the Project

This research project is the final part of a professional doctorate in education and is focused on understanding the viewpoints and experiences of educational professionals related to two government policies: the Prevent Act and the duty to promote Fundamental British Values.

These are controversial policies because although we share a deep concern for the wellbeing and safety of our students we are also concerned about potential negative effects, for example on teaching and learning, academic freedoms and professional identity. The principal aim is to explore the perceptions of education professionals regarding these policies.

What are the benefits for taking part in this study?

The benefits will hopefully be a better understanding of the effects of government policies on; the education sector, education professionals, learners and the teaching & learning process. This research will allow policy makers insights into the perceptions and opinions of education professionals. The research will include recommendations aiming to facilitate improvements in how these policies are interpreted and implemented to provide a better and safer learning environment for learners and education professionals.

Who is responsible for the data collected in this study?

- The researcher is Max Weedon, a teacher and doctoral candidate in education at the University of the West of England, Bristol
- The data that is being collected is the opinions of educationalists regarding the Prevent Duty and Fundamental British Values (FBV)
- The data will be encrypted, anonymised and stored safely until the end of the research project which is due to finish in 2020, at which point it will be destroyed
- The original data will not be shared with other organisations
- The anonymised data will be shared in a doctoral thesis with any identifying information removed
- The research was reviewed and passed by the UWE's Education Faculty Research Ethics Committee on 7th November 2018.

What is involved in the study?

During late 2018 and early 2019 I will be surveying education professionals to collect data and conducting follow up interviews with participants who are interested.

How do I opt out of the study?

There is a cooling off period after taking part in the research where participants can opt out and/or request withdrawal of data without giving reasons. Participants can opt out and/or withdraw data simply by emailing the researcher on max2.weedon@live.uwe.ac.uk with a cut off date of 30th April 2019.

What are the risks involved in this study?

All contributions will be kept confidential. You will not be asked to disclose information that could jeopardize your professional standing. You will be given the opportunity to withdraw participation up until 30th April 2019.

Please be aware that as a general principle, researchers, as University students and as citizens or legal residents of the United Kingdom, have a responsibility to report to the relevant authorities any actions or planned actions, discovered during the course of research, which they believe are likely to result in serious and immediate harm to others.

If the topics addressed by the research are upsetting there are support services available in addition to your workplace support services, such as Samaritans on 116 123 or email them via jo@samaritans.org

For UWE staff the Wellbeing Service is based on Frenchay Campus (2FC 50 Felixstowe Court).

Tel: +44 (0)117 32 86268

Email: wellbeing@uwe.ac.uk

What are your rights as a participant?

Taking part in the study is voluntary. You may choose not to take part or subsequently cease participation up until 30th April 2019. To opt out please email max2.weedon@live.uwe.ac.uk using your name and the work email used in the survey so that your information can be identified and removed.

Will I receive any payment or monetary benefits?

You will receive no payment for your participation. The data is not intended to be used by any member of the project team for commercial purposes. Therefore you should not expect any royalties or payments from the research project in the future.

For more information

The research was given research ethics approval by UWE's Arts, Creative Industries and Education Faculty Research Ethics Committee on 7th November 2018. If you have any further questions or concerns about this study, please contact:

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What if I have concerns about this research?

If you are worried about this research, or if you are concerned about how it is being conducted, you can contact Director of Studies & project supervisor: Dr Richard Waller.

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