

# Developing Local Youth Engagement: The Internet Citizens Programme

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"I have a young person I work with [...] he has a number of mental health issues. He started watching dodgy videos - beheadings and Jihadist stuff [...] He was very open, and started getting quite obsessed. I escalated it up, but it didn't go anywhere."

"He's started talking about religion lots, which is fine, but some of the things he says are too much, and he's got strong opinions on who 'real Muslims' are - we're weren't sure what to do."

How do we work with young people to counter extremism, and how **should** we work?

- NGOs provide counter-narrative targeting, messaging skills.
- Young people provide credible voices, creative power, local insight.
- Trained and supported, young people might be able to **lead**.
- We want to trial that approach.