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Protective Security Information for the Business Community

9th February 2022

## NATIONAL BULLETIN

The Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre (JTAC) has lowered the threat level to SUBSTANTIAL – meaning an attack is likely.

The decision to lower the assessment from SEVERE – meaning an attack is highly likely – was announced by the Home Secretary today. JTAC judges that, despite the latest two attacks, the current nature and scale of the UK terrorist threat is consistent with the level seen prior to the attacks. The attacks in October and November 2021 reflect the complex, volatile and unpredictable nature of the terrorist threat in the UK.

JTAC keep the threat level under constant review. This is a systematic, comprehensive and rigorous process, based on the very latest intelligence and analysis of internal and external factors which drive the threat.

Counter Terrorism Policing continue to urge the public to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious activity to the police. We ask that people are not complacent. The threat has not gone away but we can reassure you that policing, and our partners, have a variety of established operational tactics that are tried and tested to ensure the UK is both well prepared and protected from the threat of terrorism.

Communities defeat terrorism. We depend on information from the public, who can be our eyes and ears, in our efforts to keep us all safe.

As a key partner in delivering this vigilance message there are some steps you and your staff can take:

- Be security-minded when planning and providing briefings to staff and volunteers ahead of hosting events – they can be crucial eyes and ears in supporting our 24/7 policing efforts.
- Please risk-assess your existing sites and any new premises such as outdoor spaces with security in mind too; and consider both [NaCTSO's protective security advice](#) and CPNI's Personnel Security advice.
- Ensure your staff and volunteers are trained by signing them up to [ACT e-learning](#). It is free and takes just 45 minutes. Staff could benefit from [See, Check and Notify training](#) covering hostile reconnaissance, vigilance, the power of hello, and reporting suspicious activity.
- Download the ACT App as an individual or through a large-enterprise rollout – contact [Highfield Learning](#) for an individual username and password or to find out how to deploy to all employees in your organisation.
- Review our [guidance on increasing the protection of crowded places](#) from a terror attack.
- To help share the message we have produced a toolkit of print and digital assets we would appreciate you printing and displaying or sharing on social media channels:  
<https://www.counterterrorism.police.uk/2021cdttoolkitbusiness/>

We advise the public to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious behaviour or activity to police, in confidence at [gov.uk/ACT](https://www.gov.uk/ACT) or in an emergency the public should always call 999.

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CPNI and NaCTSO offer guidance that can help you recognise terrorist threats:

<https://www.cpni.gov.uk/blog/physical-security/recognising-terrorist-threats>



If you are yet to download the globally recognised, award winning ACT App and are interested, please email: [CT@highfieldlearning.com](mailto:CT@highfieldlearning.com)

CPNI's See, Check and Notify (SCaN) video is a great resource for businesses. View the SCaN video here:

<https://www.cpni.gov.uk/Scan>



We would like to remind businesses and individuals on the importance of Security Minded Communications. Read the guidance from NaCTSO here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/crowded-places-guidance/communication>