

25th MAY
WEEKLY DIGEST FEATURING
A JUBILEE SPECIAL



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Terrorism Update

The current threat level for the UK is 'SUBSTANTIAL', meaning a terror attack is 'likely'. For further information see [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

Bombing Victims Remembered at Permanent Memorial on 5yr Anniversary (Independent 22nd May) ^{1.}

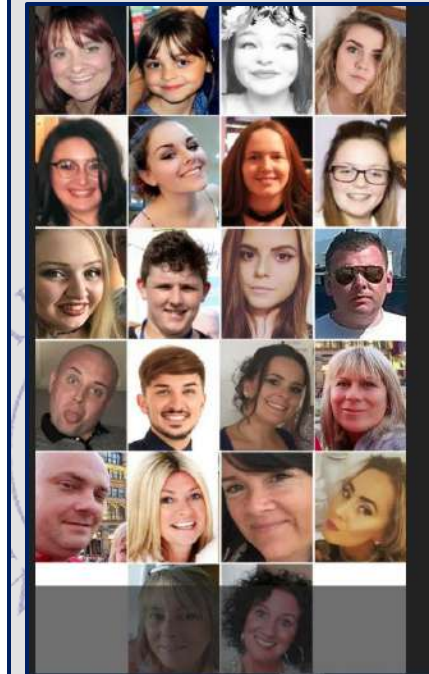
Sunday 22nd May saw the five year anniversary of the Manchester Arena Bombing that killed 22 people and injured 800 after an Arianna Grande concert in 2017. A memorial service was held at the newly opened Glade of Light memorial where the victim's names are carved in bronze on a white marble halo surrounding a garden of remembrance. Posting on twitter, Manchester Mayor, Andy Burnham said, *"Their names forever at the heart of our city...Their families and those affected always in our thoughts...Our thanks for the goodness and strength of the people of Greater Manchester – eternal."*



Headline 1. – The Glade of Light Memorial – INDEPENDENT 2022

UK's Youngest Terror Offender Walks Free from Court (Independent 21st May)

The UK's Youngest terror offender (who cannot be named for legal reasons) was handed a one-year referral order and walked free from court last week after the judge ruled a custodial sentence would be not be appropriate. The boy was 13 and two months at the time his offences were discovered. The judge remarked he was not at the same intellectual level as other children his age and there was no evidence the boy intended to carry out an attack. A search at the boy's home address revealed neo-Nazi and far-right material, the Anarchist's Cook Book, bomb making manuals and had downloaded an image of Hitler onto his laptop at age eleven. Judge Goldspring told the boy:



Headline 1. – Arena Victims – INDEPENDENT 2022

"I accept that you perhaps like many young people in these circumstances did not voice your virtual world thoughts in the real world and you do not present in the real world in the same way."

PREVENT Review Calls for Renewed Focus on Islamic Extremism (The National 17th May) ^{2.}

The on-going review of the UK Government's PREVENT programme has called for a 'renewed focus on Islamic extremism' according to 'leaked' documents seen by the Guardian newspaper. Further to the report regarding anti-PREVENT sentiment by Sir John Jenkins and subsequent comments from ex-PM David Cameron (see our Digest 4th May), the leaked documents accuse the Government of a 'double standard' in how they deal with different forms of extremism. It goes on to suggest some PREVENT funded organisations promote 'extremist narratives' and repeated earlier calls from the ex-PM and the Jenkins report to cease the funding of groups who actively seek to subvert it stating:

"As a core principle, the government must cease to engage with or fund those aligned with extremism"

The Islamic focus of the leaked documents was met with criticism from some counter terror experts who say the review does not take into consideration the rise of right-wing extremism and 'amorphous ideology' (such as the recent '[incel](#)' leaning attack in Plymouth in August 2021) and appears to have a historic view of the threat 'circa 2004-2007'.

World news

Iran's Revolutionary Guards Blame 'Global Arrogance' for Death of Khodai (Euronews 23rd May) ^{3. 4.}

The assassination of a senior Iranian Revolutionary Guard and member of the elite Quds unit, Colonel Sayyad Khodai prompted promises of revenge from the country's President at the weekend. Ebrahim Raisi declared the killing would be 'avenged' and made it clear Iran lays blame for the attack at the feet of both Israel and the US. Iran's Revolutionary Guards stated Khodai died at the hands of 'global arrogance'. Two suspects on a motorcycle shot the Colonel five times in a drive-by shooting directed at his unarmoured vehicle outside his highly secure home in the capital, Tehran. Little details are known of the attack but State-run media is reporting the arrest of an Israeli intelligence network in-country, although it is not clear if this is related. Gen Qasem Soleimani (Quds' top commander) was assassinated by a US drone Strike in Baghdad in January 2020.

COVID Alert Level Reduced as Omicron Wave Subsides (SKY News 17th May)

The UK's COVID alert level was lowered at the weekend from level four to level three in response to the Omicron wave subsiding and it's variants reclassified as variants of concern. The alert was dropped from classification level four – 'Transmission is high or rising exponentially' to level three 'Virus is in general circulation'. The level has been set by the Joint Bio Security Centre in agreement with the Chief Medical Officers of England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. COVID Infections across the UK are at their lowest rate in five months.

Albanese will 'do Politics Better' as Australia Votes in New PM (SydneyMorningHerald 23rd May) ^{5.}

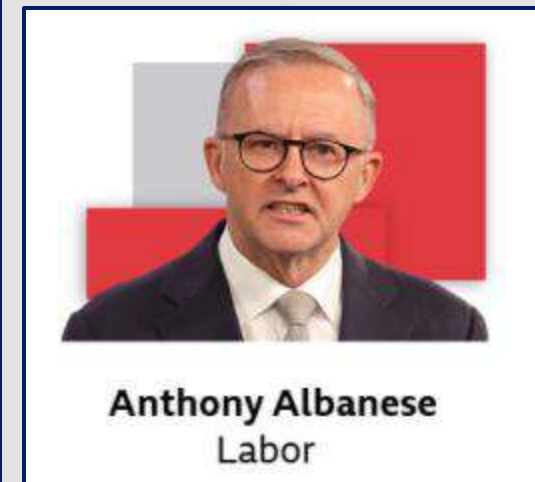
Australia voted in it's centre-left Labour Party for the first time in a decade at the weekend as the country took to the polls in a National Election which reflected a positive populous shift towards climate change policies. Anthony Albanese, the 59 year-old new Prime Minister was sworn in on Monday. In his first address to the Australian Nation he said:

"Australians have voted for change. My government intends to implement that change in an orderly way...I want to bring people together and I want to change the way that politics is conducted in this country...I do believe that we can do politics better and I hope to do so."

Labour must secure 76 seats to not require a coalition and 77 seats are needed for a ruling majority, with 74 seats acquired so far (some postal votes are yet to be counted) they are expected to secure the further votes needed.

Risk of healthcare services being overwhelmed	5
Transmission is high or rising exponentially	4
Virus is in general circulation	3
Number of cases and transmission is low	2
Covid-19 no longer present in UK	1

[Headline 2. COVID Alert Levels \(BBC News 2022\)](#)



[Headline 3. PM Anthony Albanese \(BBC News 2022\)](#)

Industry News

SECURITY

ICT Secure Suspends 14 Employees Following Arrests (Birmingham Mail 23rd May) [6.](#)

14 ICT Secure security staff have been suspended by company bosses after their arrests for alleged assaults on members of the public at a hospital in London. Officers working at The Croydon University Trust hospital reportedly shared CCTV images of them using 'force' on members of the public and allegations have been made regarding the deletion of further incriminating CCTV evidence. The investigation follows threatened strike action by hospital cleaners at the Trust which was called off only after a 24% pay rise was negotiated with their G4S employers. ICT Secure refused to comment on the on-going investigation and the hospital said it was co-operating with the police and helping with enquiries.

AVIATION

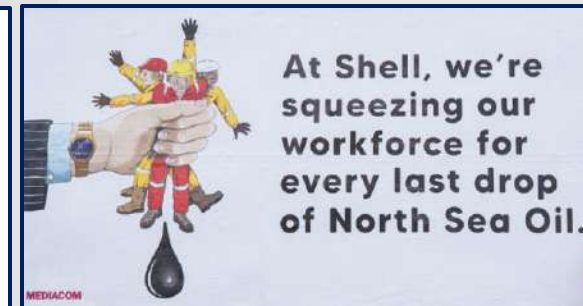
BP and Shell Suffer Brandalism Ahead of Oil Conference in Aberdeen (Press & Journal 22nd May)

Fake Shell and BP advertising billboards have popped up in Aberdeen ahead of the 'Offshore Energy UK' conference at the P&J arena in the city this week. Brandalism UK, who claim to be: '*subverters confronting corporate persuasion architectures. Hacking space, place, brands and psyche,*' have organised fake advertising billboards for both oil giants across the city in response, to a plethora of greenwashing adverts by Shell and BP appearing all over Aberdeen which they claim to be inaccurate. Both oil giants responded to the campaign encouraging the debate and highlighting the billions of pounds worth of investment they regularly bring to the UK.

TRANSPORT

Vote Closes Wednesday for Largest Rail Strike in Modern History (Sky News 21st May) [7.](#) [8.](#) [10.](#)

RMT members on Network Rail and Chiltern Railways, Cross Country Trains, Greater Anglia, LNER, East Midlands Railway, c2c, Great Western Railway, Northern Trains, South Eastern Railway, South Western Railway, Island Line, GTR (including Gatwick Express), Transpennine Express, Avanti West Coast, and West Midlands Trains voted for strike action this week with 89% of RMT members voting for what is considered to be **the 'largest rail strike in modern history'** and will see disruption across all parts of the UK. Expected to commence as early as June limited services are expected to run from 7am to 7pm only. Scots rail passengers are already seeing almost 700 fewer services per day from Monday this week due to a staff 'work to rule' policy and new staff training delays. Scots rail and Transport Salaried Staffs' Association (TSSA) members have expressed their intent to hold upcoming ballots also. Should the strike go ahead the UK could face major disruption leading to amongst other things, supply chain issues. 4,000 London Underground staff are expected to walk out on Monday 6th June with rumours of further strike action across the Jubilee weekend.



[Headline 2. – Shell Brandalism –
Press & Journal 2022](#)

[Headline 3. - RMT Protestors
\(Independent 2022\)](#)



Activism Updates

ACTIVISM

Thursday 26th May – Stop the War

Location: Mander Hall, London WC1 @18:30
Cause: Stop the War in Ukraine
Details: <https://www.stopwar.org.uk/>

Saturday 28th May – World Hunger Day

Location: Downing Street, London @13:00
Cause: Cost of Living Crisis protest
Details: <https://twitter.com/RightToFoodLDN>

Saturday 28th May – Children Outreach

Location: Piccadilly Gardens, Manchester @13:00
Cause: Anti-Vaccine
Details: <https://t.me/fightingforourfreedom>.

Wednesday 1st June – Sticker Bomb Event

Location: Various
Cause: Campaign to put stickers on government building and vaccine compliant companies
Details: <https://t.me/M1L2B3M7>

DATES/EVENTS TO NOTE

It is likely some of the following list of notable dates or events will see some form of travel disruption. Please check for local disruptions.

JUNE

Pride Month

London Pride festival will take place in July
Brighton and Manchester Pride festivals will take place in August

National PTSD Awareness Month

[Telegram 2022](#)



[Twitter 2022](#)



25th MAY

THE JUBILEE SPECIAL



QUEENS JUBILEE WEEKEND 2ND - 5TH JUNE

A SPECIAL EXTENDED BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITIES AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED KINGDOM TO COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE HISTORIC MILESTONE

SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER

(If organising or attending an event)

The Big Jubilee lunch and numerous street parties will take place in villages and cities across the UK between Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th of June in celebration of the Queen's 70th Jubilee.

- Operational plan including a site plan and risk assessment
- Emergency plan, health and safety, legislation and litigation
- Road closures, signage, special effects, etc.
- Fire safety, stewarding, medical provision, toilets
- Disabled access, temporary structures
- Emergency vehicle access, car parking
- Sound / PA Systems, food and drink
- Waste disposal
- Public liability insurance
- Premises licence or a Temporary Event Notice (TEN)
- Others as necessary (depending on type of event)
- ACT Awareness

Over 60,000 groups have registered their intent to stage a party with an expected 10 million people getting involved over the bank holiday weekend.

The Queens Platinum Jubilee website offers guidance on how to register your event and can be viewed [here](#).

The UK Government has also issued guidance on how to plan a party and can be viewed [here](#).



[RAF Fly Past \(My London 2022\)](#)



Jubilee - Industry news

TRANSPORT

Elizabeth Line Suspended Two Hours After Maiden Voyage (Express 24th May) ¹¹.

Passengers queued around the block, Tuesday morning for the maiden voyage of the newly opened Transport for London Queen Elizabeth line. 300 people queued outside the station prior to the 6:30am departure waiting to travel on its first journey along with London Mayor Sadiq Khan, the Queen had officially opened the line last Tuesday (17th). Passengers faced disruption on the line two hours after officially opening when a fire alarm was triggered in error at Paddington station causing an evacuation and the suspension of the Elizabeth line between Paddington and Tottenham Court Road. The station evacuation took eight minutes and services had resumed within 30 minutes.

NATIONAL EVENTS

The Queen attends Chelsea Flower Show 2022 (Independent 23rd May)

The Queen made a surprise appearance at the Chelsea Flower Show on the 23rd May and was chauffeured around in a golf buggy to view the displays which included a special Queen's Platinum Jubilee Garden display featuring a silhouette of the Queen surrounded by 70 potted plants to represent each year of her reign. The Queen has made 50 visits to the yearly flower show in her 70 year reign.

SECURITY

Police Issue Warning for Vigilance re Vehicle Attacks During Jubilee Celebrations (Daily Mail 19th May)

The Met Police (London) have issued a warning to party organisers regarding the danger of possible terrorists attacks, advising organisers and attendees to remain vigilant with reminders terrorists using vehicles as a means of attack don't adhere to traffic management systems.

"It is recommended that street furniture is not removed... Strategically positioned vehicles can act as a deterrent, but may not completely stop an attack."

Organisers are also advised to use an air horn as a warning system:

"Any capability to quickly alert people to danger can increase their reaction time."

The police however highlight there is no specific threat to street parties over the bank holiday weekend.



Headline2 The Queen at the Chelsea Flower

[Show](#)

(Independent 2022)



QUEENS JUBILEE WEEKEND 2ND-5TH JUNE

Event Details

EVENTS

BATON RELAY [12](#).

The Baton relay commences on Thursday 2nd June, spending five days in London, coinciding with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Weekend.

The Baton will then continue on its journey visiting overseas territories such as the Falkland Islands, Jersey, Guernsey, and the Isle of Man before touring Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

The Baton begins its journey around England in Cornwall at the Eden Project on the 4 July, the Nottingham Castle Caves on 10th July, a zip wire in the Lake District on 16th July, and will finish at Aston Hall on 28th July, the day of the Opening Ceremony for Birmingham 2022.

Wilson James' own Tom Giles will take part in the relay, running a leg in the East of England on 8th July

Good Luck Tom!

Members of the public are encouraged to get involved with the celebrations and embrace the arrival of the Baton, taking the opportunity to experience the buzz of Birmingham 2022 in their community. The Birmingham 2022 website will provide information on the events and where to line the route.

STREET PARTIES

2,429 public events and 2,486 street parties or private events have been shared so far. For more information on events in your area please see the map opposite.

[Platinum Jubilee Events Map](#)



**Trooping of the
Colour**

The Queen's
Birthday Parade
Between Horse
Guards Parade
and Buckingham
Palace, Followed
by traditional
Royal Family
balcony
appearance
Ticketed event
@11:00

**Service of
Thanksgiving**

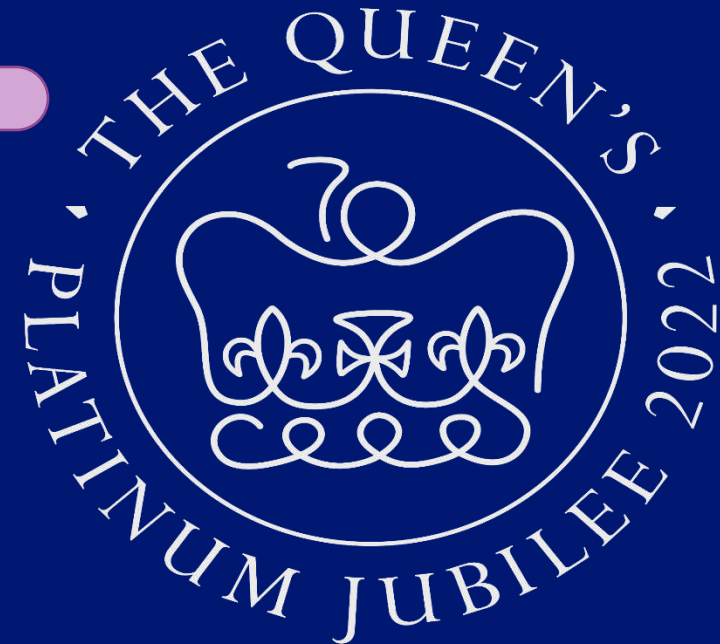
St Paul's
Cathedral @

Epsom Derby
(Royal family in
attendance)
**Platinum Party
at the Palace**

Buckingham
Palace
Ticketed event

**Big Jubilee
Lunch**
Nationwide
Platinum Jubilee

Pageant
Buckingham
Palace
Open to Public



2nd THURSDAY

3rd FRIDAY

4th SATURDAY

5th SUNDAY

QUEENS JUBILEE WEEKEND 2ND -5TH JUNE

Road Closures and Travel Updates

FRIDAY 3RD OF JUNE IS EXPECTED TO BE THE **BUSIEST DAY** FOR STREET PARTIES AND CELEBRATIONS ACROSS THE UK FOLLOWED BY SATURDAY, THURSDAY THEN SUNDAY.

DAY TRIPS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO INCREASE OVER THE COURSE OF THE WEEKEND ADDING AN EXTRA BURDEN TO THE TRANSPORT NETWORK.

DRIVERS ARE URGED TO CHECK THEIR ROUTE FOR ANY ROAD CLOSURES AND BE AWARE OF ANY OBSTRUCTIONS OR PEDESTRIANS THAT MAY BE IN THE STREET.

ROAD CLOSURES

Hundreds of road closures across the UK will be in place over the weekend to facilitate street parties and Jubilee lunches. Staff are advised to check with local media for updates and full lists of road closures in your area and allow extra time for journeys.

Drivers are warned to expect 'havoc' on UK roads over the weekend. The same amount of unofficial and impromptu parties are expected to take place as organised parties and drivers are warned of unplanned road closures that may exasperate the disruption.

LONDON UNDERGROUND

Euston and Green Park Stations will close all day **Friday 3rd of June** in protest against a toxic work environment affecting travel on the **Victoria, Jubilee and Piccadilly lines**.

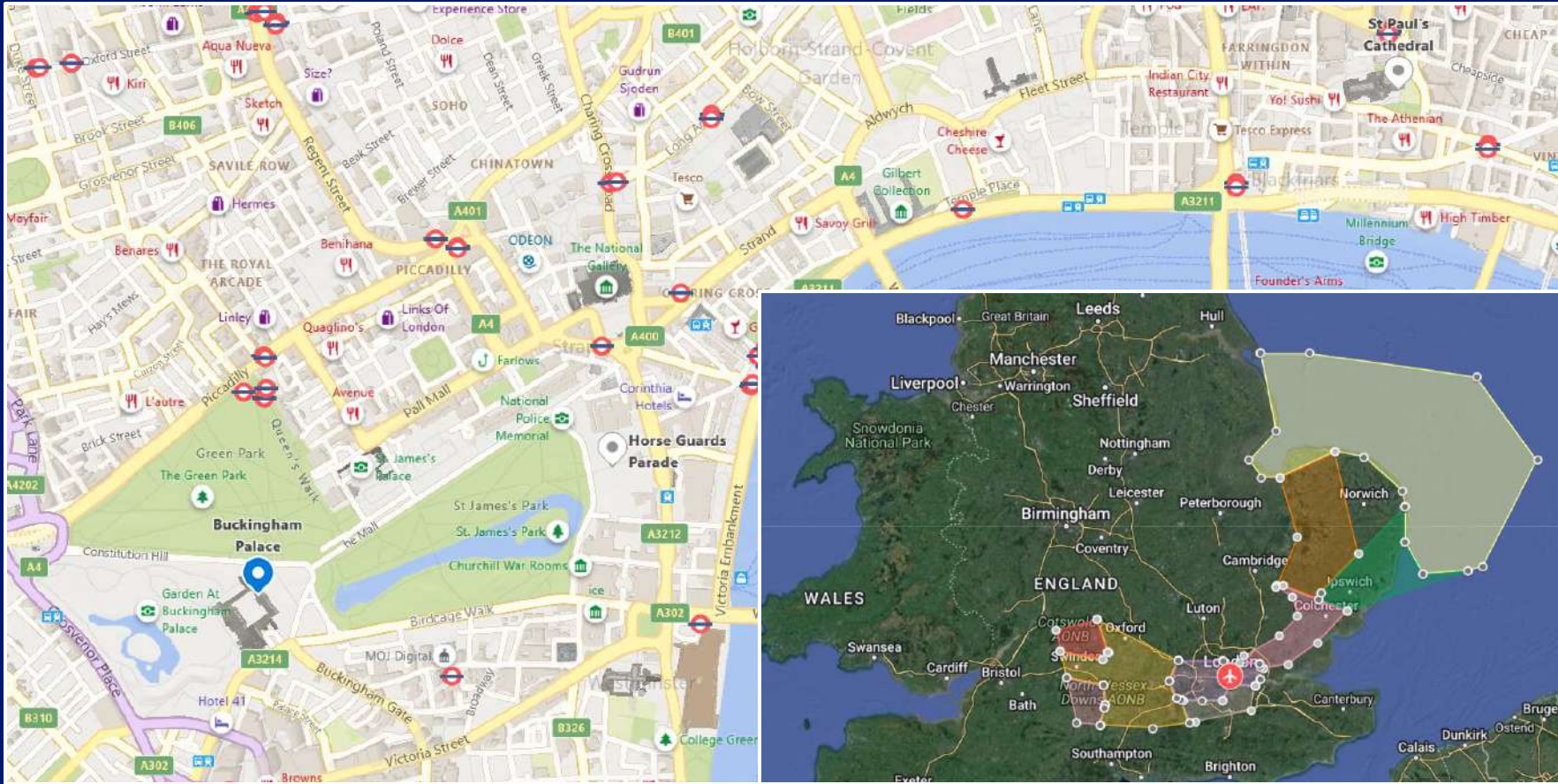
TFL will stage a 24 hour walk-out on **Monday 6th June** commencing at 00:01 forcing the closure of **ALL ZONE 1 STATIONS**.

BUSES

All London buses are expecting to run a normal service with the exception of diversions due to some road closures for the weekend's celebrations.



London Locations & Jubilee Fly by Route



London Locations of Note During Jubilee Weekend
(Google Maps 2022)

Jubilee Celebration Fly-by Route (Google Maps 2022)



Counter-Terrorism Guidance

THE FOLLOWING ADVICE IS FROM THE NATIONAL COUNTER TERRORIST SECURITY OFFICE

GENERAL ADVICE ACT (Action Counters Terrorism)

On identifying suspicious activity, individual, vehicle or suspect object, move away and call 999.

Or use the confidential hotline - **0800 789 321**

- **Provide updated and regular threat briefings**
- Maintain an effective **risk assessment**.
- Maintain training and engagement with **ACT app**.
- [Easing Lockdown Vigilance Campaign Toolkit](#)

SUSPICIOUS ITEMS

CONFIRM

- Has it been deliberately hidden
- Is it obviously suspicious
- Is it typical for this location

CLEAR

- Do not touch the item, stay away from the hazard
- Be out of sight of the item or behind hard cover
- Cordon off the area in advance of police arrival.

COMMUNICATE

- Inform your control room/supervisor
- **DO NOT USE MOBILE PHONES/RADIOS** within 15m

CONTROL

- Public should be stopped from entering the area
- Try to keep eyewitnesses on scene.

MARAUDING TERRORIST ATTACK

RUN

- Escape if you can
- Is there a safe route? Run, if not Hide
- Insist others leave with you,
- Leave belongings behind.
- Do not attempt to film the incident. Run.

HIDE

- If you can see the attacker, they may be able to see you. Bullets go through glass, brick, wood and metal. You must still hide, even if you are behind a locked door.
- Be aware of your exits
- Be quiet, silence your phone
- Lock/barricade yourself in
- Move away from the door

TELL

- Call the police
- Nature of the Incident - What is happening?
- Location - Suspects –Direction –Descriptions

BOMB THREAT

- Remain calm and talk to the caller
- Note the caller's number and record the call
- Write down the exact wording and time of call
 1. Where exactly is the bomb right now?
 2. When is it going to explode?
 3. What does it look like?
 4. What does the bomb contain?
 5. How will it be detonated?
 6. Who put the device in place?
 7. What is your name?
 8. What is your address?
 9. Do you represent a group or acting alone?
 10. Why have you placed the bomb?
- Note the following
 - The caller's**
Sex / Nationality / Age
 - What threat language was used**
Well spoken / Irrational / Incoherent
 - Caller's voice**
Calm / Excited / Accent – note if possible
 - Background sounds**
Street noises/House noises



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