27<sup>th</sup> July 2022 Weekly Digest





Advisory Services Newsletter

Birmingham 2022

# Agenda



### **Terrorism Update**

The current threat level for the UK is 'SUBSTANTIAL', meaning a terror attack is 'likely'. For further information see <u>GOV.UK.</u>

### 'ACT early' to PREVENT Radicalisation MET Police Warns Parents to be Vigilant (Standard 25th July) 1.

The London Met Police have issued a warning to schools and parents to be vigilant towards online radicalisation of children this summer. Jane Corrigan the Met's lead in the PREVENT programme has stressed there is 'no cause for alarm' as on-line radicalisation numbers are still low, however as children spend more time on-line during the summer break parents and carers are encouraged to pay attention to any changes in behaviour and to familiarise themselves with the <u>ACT early</u> website which helps identify signs of radicalisation. She added:

"When a young person is being drawn down a path towards radicalisation, there are often signs in their behaviour that can indicate this is happening. This could be something like becoming more secretive about who they are speaking to, or becoming less tolerant of other people's views."

### 'Jihadi Jails' to be used with immediate effect for Terror Suspect Sentencing (Express 24th July)

Justice Secretary Dominic Rabb announced at the weekend the use of three high-risk wings in prisons for the immediate detention of terror suspects after sentencing. Until now prisoners were only removed to the special 'jihadi jails' (established in 2017) after applications by prison officers concerned about the radicalisation of other prisoners. Raab also impressed upon the need to pass the UK's Bill of Rights to prevent high risk prisoners from claiming the 'right to socialise' under the Human Rights Act. The high-risk separation wings are located at HMP Frankland in Durham, HMP Woodhill in Buckinghamshire and HMP Full Sutton in East Yorkshire.

### Ex Irish Defence Forces Soldier Sentenced to Prison for ISIS Membership (Irish Times 22<sup>nd</sup> July) 2.

Former Irish Soldier Lisa Smith was sentenced to fifteen months in prison by an Irish Court last week for ISIS membership after travelling to Syria in 2015. Smith, who returned to Ireland in late 2019 was the first person in Ireland to be convicted of an Islamist Terror Offence abroad. On sentencing Smith, Justice Hunt stated although her offending was serious and she showed a lack of remorse for her actions, it was not clear she did anymore than 'ally herself with ISIS' and there was no evidence 'she was a source of present or future danger'.



Headline 3:

Ex-ISIS Member Lisa Smith (Irish Times
2022)





### **World news**



### 24hr Rail Strikes Continue Through July and August (Network Rail 25th July) 3.

The RMT Union continues their 'summer of discontent' today with a 24 hour rail strike on most operators resulting in reduced timetables, late starting and early finishing journeys, inevitably having a roll-on effect on the timetables for tomorrow Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>. It is hoped the strike action will not affect the Women's Euro 2022 semi-final in Milton Keynes today, the final (where the winners of tonight's match face-off against the England squad) on Sunday at Wembley and / or the start of the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, which commence tomorrow. 20% of services will run today with many destinations cut-off entirely, of those services operating, all will commence no earlier than 0730 and finish no later than 1830. The RMT is advising passengers not to travel on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>, to expect significant disruption on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> and have announced further strike action on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>. Strike action has also been planned for the 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of August. Travellers are advised to check their journey in advance, see details here.

### Tory Leadership Election Could be Subject to Hacking by Chinese (Cyber-Security Insider 24th July) 4.

Concerns have been raised over the high probability of Chinese interference in the Tory leadership race as intelligence chiefs warn of anticipated hacking attempts to influence the voting. The on-line postal votes offered to Conservative party members may be vulnerable due to their editing ability, allowing one amendment after the vote has been cast. Intelligence chiefs have referenced Russian's cyber assault on Ukraine in January prior to the start of the conflict, suggesting they could see similar tactics from the Chinese against the UK. After announcing his leadership bid, the Chinese said of Sunak, he had 'a clear and pragmatic view on developing UK-China ties'. Tory party members have a month from 1st August to decide on a new leader with the results announced 5th September.

### **Grenfell Tower Inquiry Concludes (My London News 22nd July)** 5.

"For the last four years we have listened to how we were failed by those who were responsible for our safety... This process has uncovered what we have always known. That Grenfell was totally avoidable... we will forever suffer the consequences of other peoples' negligence, greed, and corruption." Grenfell United

The Inquiry into the Grenfell fire came to its conclusion last week, five years on from the devastating fire that killed 72 people in June 2017. Last Thursday saw the final day of testimonies regarding the accounts of survivors and the circumstances surrounding the deaths of the victims. The report's findings are not due to be published until 2023 after which a decision will be made by the Crown Prosecution Service regarding criminal or civil charges.





# Wilson James Health and Safety team have asked all WJ colleagues to view the attached QR link to their Behavioural Safety video and to register their details on completion.



### **Industry News**

### **COMPLIANCE**

### Ex-KPMG Employees Banned From Practising by ICA (Independent 25th July) 6.

Four ex-KPMG employees have been removed from the Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICA) and banned from practising for seven to ten years for 'potentially conniving behaviour', after they were found to have provided 'false and misleading information'. Working for auditing giant KPMG at the time, the ex-employees 'forged and manufactured' missing documents concerning the audit checks of clients, construction firm Carillion and outsourcing firm Regenersis. KPMG have now been fined a total GBP18.4 million (including costs) with the employees receiving a combined fine of GBP356,000 after KPMG reported themselves to the regulator. Had KPMG not reported their actions themselves (for which they received a discount) they were likely to have received the biggest fine ever imposed by the Financial Reporting Council (FRC). KMPG Chief Executive Jon Holt accepted the FRC's findings adding:

"I accept the findings and sanctions of the tribunal in full" and that KPMG had 'worked hard and with complete transparency to the FRC, to assure itself that the behaviour of the individuals concerned does not reflect the wider culture of the firm'.

### **EVENTS**

### Games Kick-off with Wilson James named as Official Security Services Provider (Birmingham 2022)

The Commonwealth Games commence in Birmingham tomorrow and will see the city, together with London, host a number of events over the next week (28<sup>th</sup> July - 8<sup>th</sup> August). Wilson James has been chosen as the Official Security Services Provider for the games covering the cycling, track and para-track events, together with the London accommodation of the athletes. Deploying 200 members of staff and providing security to 4,500 athletes and over one million spectators, Wilson James will provide,

"The expertise needed to provide a safe and secure environment for all who spectate and compete in these games" says Business Development Director for Security Chris Sisson. Director of Security for The Games, Nick Knight said:

"I know their (Wilson James) knowledge and experience in the delivery of major high profile sporting events will prove invaluable, when helping Birmingham 2022 showcase a safe, secure and spectacular edition of the games to the world".

See the next two pages for details of the events together with locations.



Headline 1: Audit Giant KPMG (Independent 2022)

Headline 2: Birmingham 2022



# The Commonwealth Games, Birmingham 2022 28<sup>th</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> August

### **EVENTS**

### Birmingham

- Alexander Stadium Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony, Athletics
- Arena Birmingham Gymnastics
- Edgbaston Cricket Ground Cricket
- Smithfield 3x3 Basketball, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball, Beach Volleyball
- Sutton Park Triathlon
- University of Birmingham Hockey, Squash
- Victoria Square
   — Marathon (finish)

### **West Midlands Region**

Cannock Chase – Cycling (Mountain Bike, Road, Time Trial)

### Coventry:

• Coventry Arena – Rugby Sevens, Judo, Wrestling

### **Leamington Spa:**

•Victoria Park – Lawn Bowls

#### Sandwell:

•Sandwell Aquatics Centre – Aquatics

#### Solihull:

- •National Exhibition Centre Hall 1 Weightlifting, Para Powerlifting; Hall 3 – Table Tennis, Para Table Tennis; Hall 4 – Boxing; Hall 5 – Badminton
- •Solihull NEC Arena Netball

### Warwick:

•St. Nicholas' Park - Cycling (Road Race)

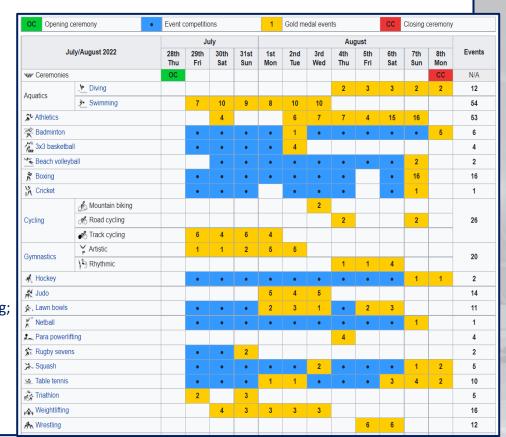
### Wolverhampton:

West Park – Cycling (Time Trials)

#### **Greater London London:**

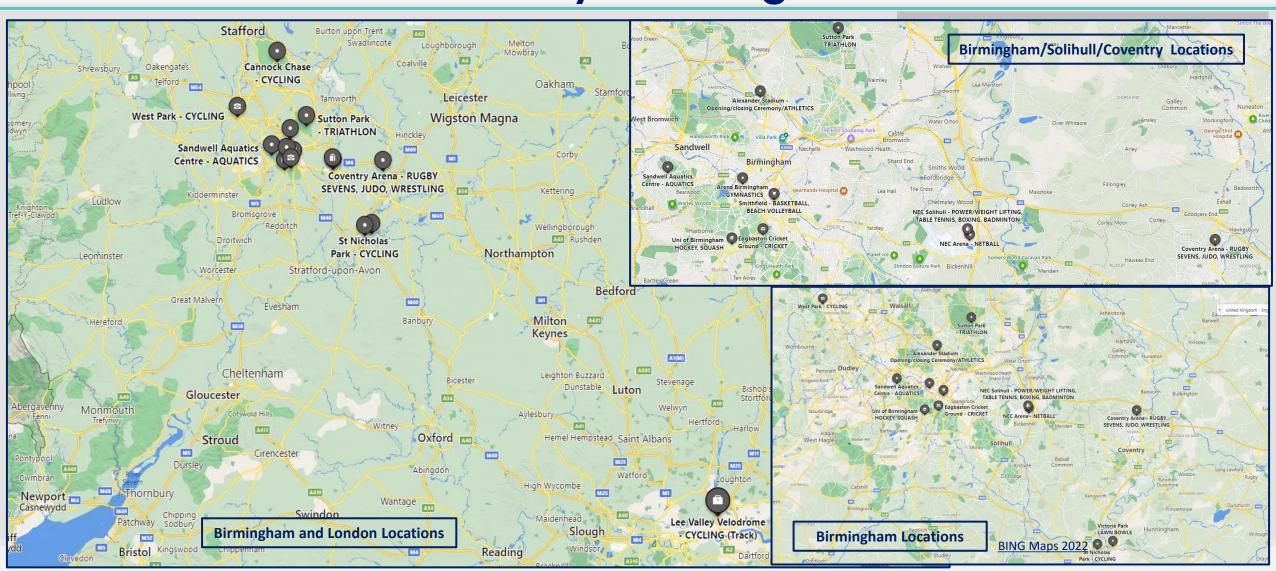
Lee Valley VeloPark – Cycling (Track)

Wikipedia 2022





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## **Activism Updates**

### **ACTIVISM**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Save the Children

**Location:** Piccadilly Gardens, Manchester @14:00 **Cause:** Protect our children against the vaccine

**Details:** English Defence Force

Thurs 28th July – 1st August – Climate Camp Scotland

Location: TBC, Aberdeen, Scotland

Cause: Climate Activism

**Details:** Climate Camp Scotland

Sunday 31st July – Just Transition Rally

Location: St Nicholas Street @ Midday, Aberdeen

Cause: Campaign for a Just Transition (Will include members of

ST Fittick's Park Community Group). **Details:** Friends of St Fittick's Park

Saturday & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> July - Big Ride For Palestine

**Location: Manchester** 

**Cause:** Campaigning for support for Palestine

**Details:** Big Ride For Palestine



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

### **JULY/AUGUST**

Pride Events – Please click <u>here</u> for details Edinburgh fringe 5<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August

The Commonwealth Games Thurs 28th July – 8th August



Big Ride For Palestine 2022

### **Ukrainian Donations Information**

For those wishing to donate to the war effort in Ukraine or to support the Ukrainian refugees please see the following sites for advice and guidance on how best to do so.

### **Cash donations:**

A cash donation means charities can help with whatever is needed, source things locally, and transport items quickly. It also means volunteers can concentrate on the response, rather than sorting and transporting donations.

Red cross Donations
UNHCR Donations
UNICEF Donations

### **Helping a Ukrainian friend or family member:**

Please contact the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office:

email fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk

calling: **020 7008 5000** 

### British nationals who need assistance:

Consular support is available through the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office 24-hour helpline:

**+380 44 490 3660** (from Ukraine)

**+44 (0) 1908 516666** (from the UK).

### **Insider Threat Guidance**

### **USING DEVICES AT WORK**

**Managers** - Ensure that any team members' systems/information access is appropriate for their role.

- Particularly where there is a change in position or when a team member leaves the business.
- Provide staff with personal account access.

(Not one account username with multiple users.)

All Staff - Only share information when it is appropriate.

- Do not borrow colleagues' logons or passwords.
- Only click on links from trusted sources.
- Be aware of the company policy surrounding data sharing for both Wilson James and the client you are working for.
- Notify the appropriate Information Security Officer if you suspect inappropriate behaviour.
  - Who is the ISO when using a client system.
  - Who is the ISO when using a WJ system.

### **USING WORK DEVICES AT HOME**

- Use the VPN provided by the business
- Ensure you shut down your device fully at the end of a day to enable updates to take place as required
- Do not use the same password for all devices linked to Wi-Fi
  - For example: Doorbell cameras or Virtual Assistance Devices

### **Sharing Data**

- Do not send work emails to your personal email accounts.
- Do not download personal data from private email accounts on a works system.
- Only click on links from trusted sources.
- If required to share personal data ensure your using a registered and approved process as directed by your Information Security Team.

### Reporting

- Notify the appropriate Information Security Officer if you suspect any phishing emails have arrived in your inbox.
- Notify the appropriate Information Security Officer if you suspect your system has become subject to a cyber attack.

### **Protest Guidance**

#### **GENERAL ADVICE**

- It is recommended you maintain a good awareness
   Inform staff that routes to work may be of your surroundings if in the vicinity of a demonstration or public gathering as some protests may escalate into violence.
- Anticipate localised travel disruption in the area of the demonstration.
- Allow additional time for journeys or arrange alternate routes to minimise potential delays.
- If in the area of a spontaneous protest, it is recommended to leave the area by the quickest means possible and seek a secure location.
- Continue to monitor media sources for updates and additions to the scheduled events.
- Consider the possibility of regular protests occurring throughout the summer as they are often not isolated events, with activists returning to the same locations time and again.

#### **KEEPING STAFF INFORMED AND PREPARED**

- impacted by protest groups.
- Keep staff updated and provide guidance on how to approach the site (e.g. consider dressing down, no identification on display on approach to site, organised travel from transport hubs).
- Morning Briefs to include lockdown measures and scenario discussion to aid confidence in SOPs.
- Escalation and Incident procedures to be brief. Allocated Team Leads to be communicated.
- Named First Aiders on site to be communicated to the rest of the team daily.

### **ACCESS CONTROL**

- Secondary access points to be used, in order to keep main access areas clear.
- Perimeter Surveillance to be proactively undertaken.
- Reinforce security on approach to site.

#### **PATROLS**

- To identify suspicious activity in the area.
- Vary patrols by changing routes and frequency.
- Check all exterior perimeter fencing.

#### **STAFF**

- Consider increasing the number of staff on duty.
- Consider patrolling in pairs if appropriate.
- Staff access to the building may be prevented. Consideration should be given to working from another location.

### SOCIAL MEDIA AND CYBER SECURITY

- Monitor social media platforms for chatter regarding protests in your vicinity.
- Further guidance to staff could be given regarding their personal cyber security to ensure no cyber-attacks via home working Wi-Fi.

### **Counter-Terrorism Guidance**

### THE FOLLOWING ADVICE IS FROM THE <u>NATIONAL</u> COUNTER TERRORIST SECURITY OFFICE

**GENERAL ADVICE ACT** (Action Counters Terrorism)
On identifying suspicions 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.
- <u>Easing Lockdown Vigilance Campaign Toolkit</u>

### **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



## Contact

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