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Is your business taking a stand on security and counter terrorism?



Just one year since its launch, the Action Counters Terrorism App has won 'Outstanding new security product' of the year and ACT's online learning platform was also named 'Outstanding training initiative' at the Outstanding Security Performance Awards (OSPA's).

Now that we're counting down to lockdown lifting, busy and crowded spaces have the potential to re-emerge and with a new legal duty on security measures consulted on this summer, there has never been a better time to ask yourself whether your business is protected and prepared. Is your security outstanding? Are you utilising our best in class tools to make sure your business stands out for leadership on security and counter terrorism?

The Senior National Coordinator for Counter Terrorism

Policing, Deputy Assistant Commissioner Dean Haydon, said: "Despite facing unprecedented challenges brought about by the pandemic, Counter Terrorism Policing continued to keep the public safe by making 185 arrests across more than 800 live investigations – stopping three possible terror attacks in the process.

"While the rest of us have been focussed on protecting ourselves and our families from this terrible disease, terrorists have not stopped planning attacks or radicalising vulnerable people online.

"As we follow the Government's roadmap out of the tightest restrictions there will be greater opportunity for terrorists to operate, and we want the public to join the police, security staff and retail workers in a collective community effort to minimise the chance of attack.

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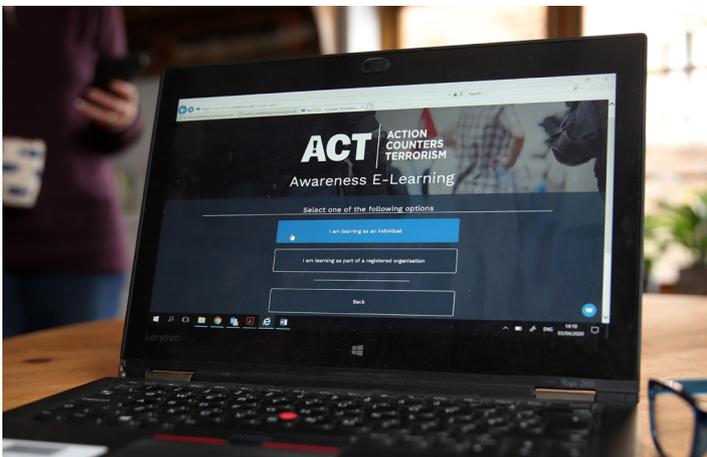
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“When we say that ‘Communities defeat terrorism’ it is not just a catchphrase. We know from experience that public information and action helps saves lives and lead to the significant arrests detailed in these statistics.

“[I would urge everyone to remain vigilant and ACT](#) if you see anything suspicious by reporting it to us confidentially via [gov.uk/ACT](#) or by calling 0800 789 321. In an emergency, always dial 999.”

Almost 250,000 people across the world now receive the latest information from Counter Terrorism Policing, plus all protective security advice, at their fingertips 24/7, wherever they are, through the ACT App. The generous support and expert guidance of industry leaders URIM and Marks & Spencer has helped to drive the success of the technology in collaboration with Counter Terrorism Policing and NaCTSO. Have you got the recently updated App with 50+ new features at the touch of a button in your pocket?



The UK’s leading online learning supplier, Highfield e-learning has helped to develop ACT Awareness e-learning into a nationally recognised corporate Counter Terrorism online interactive tool that helps people better understand, and mitigate against, current terrorist methodology. Designed for UK businesses, but now open to the public, over 10,000 businesses



have signed up to benefit from the free e-learning programme with over 880,000 modules completed since May last year.

Advice and guidance on how to encourage people to register and actively take part in the ACT e-learning can be found [here](#). If you’re looking to download the app (business/professional use only) search for the ‘Urim’ app in [Google Play](#) or [App Store](#). Then email ct@highfieldelearning.com to request your unique user name and password.

To make sure business is prepared, the National Counter Terrorism Security Office with support from our close partners have been leading strategic briefings in ‘Wednesday Workshops’. With over 80 organisations joining since the series began a month ago, from UK large enterprise to SME’s, we invite you to join the conversation and learn about the importance of CT with live workshops and demonstrations of the App and e-learning technologies. To take part in the next workshop planned for March, email NaCTSOMailbox-EngagementUnit@met.police.uk.

With our free to access resources, guidance and support we are here to help. We pride ourselves on providing vital guidance and updates straight to your business, and help you navigate counter terrorism and security in a way that works for you. We’re proud to be officially considered best in class for our security efforts, are you?

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