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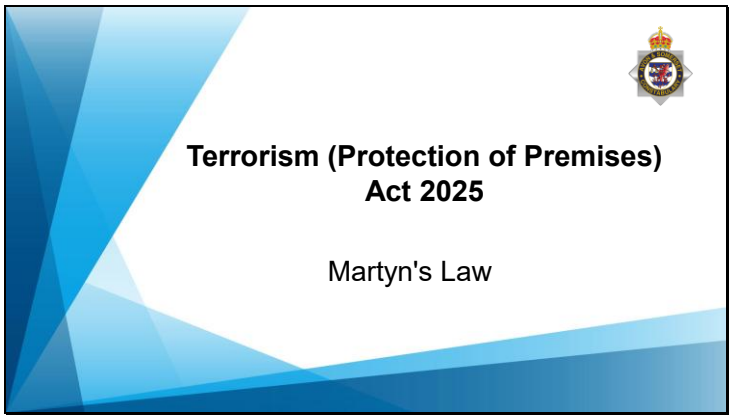

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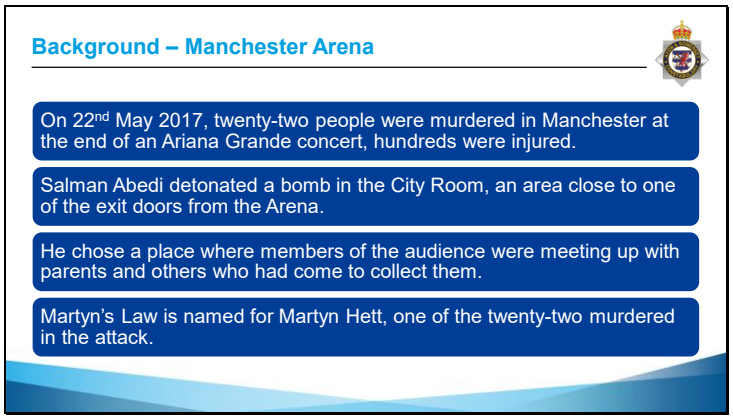
Background – Manchester Arena
On 22nd May 2017, twenty-two people were murdered in Manchester at the end of an Ariana Grande concert, hundreds were injured.
Salman Abedi detonated a bomb in the City Room, an area close to one of the exit doors from the Arena.
He chose a place where members of the audience were meeting up with parents and others who had come to collect them.
Martyn's Law is named for Martyn Hett, one of the twenty-two murdered in the attack.

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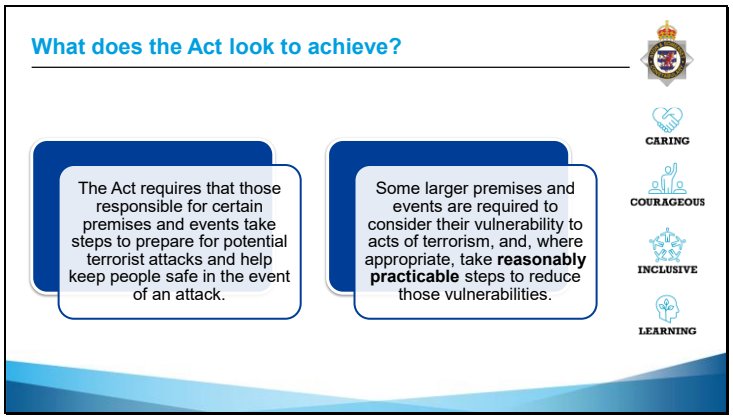
What does the Act look to achieve?
The Act requires that those responsible for certain premises and events take steps to prepare for potential terrorist attacks and help keep people safe in the event of an attack.
Some larger premises and events are required to consider their vulnerability to acts of terrorism, and, where appropriate, take reasonably practicable steps to reduce those vulnerabilities.
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Implementation

- The Act is expected to go live in April 2027
- Statutory Guidance was published in April 2026 to help businesses determine if they would be in scope and if so, in which tier.
- However……..

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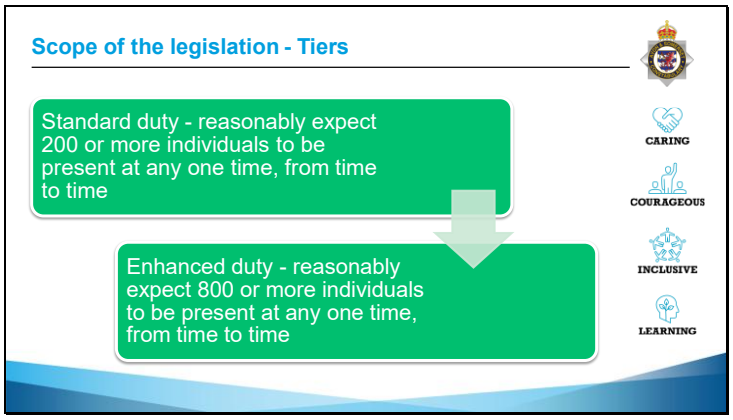
Scope of the legislation - Tiers
Standard duty - reasonably expect 200 or more individuals to be present at any one time, from time to time
Enhanced duty - reasonably expect 800 or more individuals to be present at any one time, from time to time
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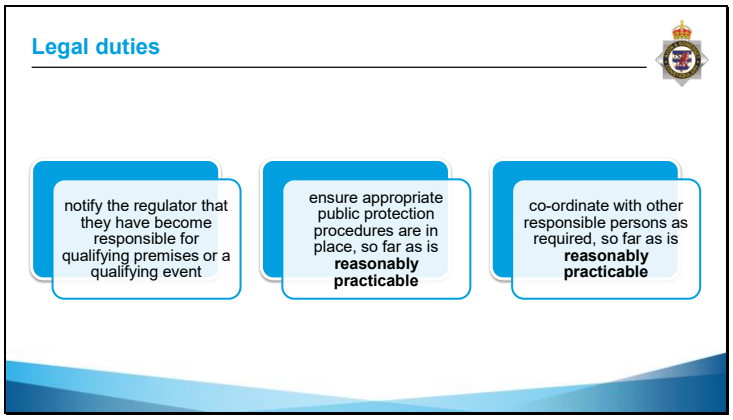
Legal duties
notify the regulator that they have become responsible for qualifying premises or a qualifying event
ensure appropriate public protection procedures are in place, so far as is **reasonably practicable**
co-ordinate with other responsible persons as required, so far as is **reasonably practicable**

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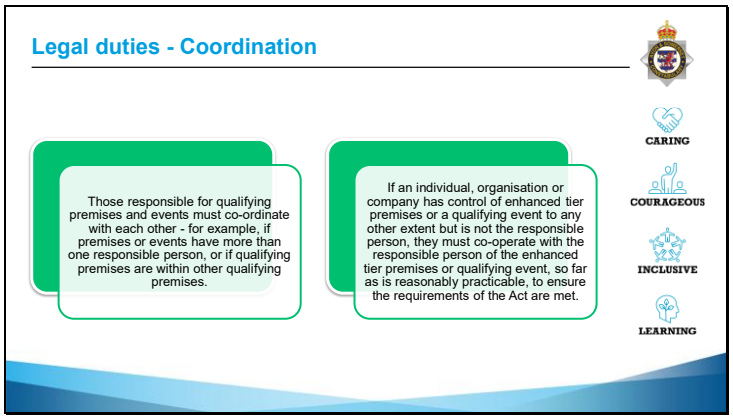
Legal duties - Coordination
Those responsible for qualifying premises and events must co-ordinate with each other - for example, if premises or events have more than one responsible person, or if qualifying premises are within other qualifying premises.
If an individual, organisation or company has control of enhanced tier premises or a qualifying event to any other extent but is not the responsible person, they must co-operate with the responsible person of the enhanced tier premises or qualifying event, so far as is reasonably practicable, to ensure the requirements of the Act are met.
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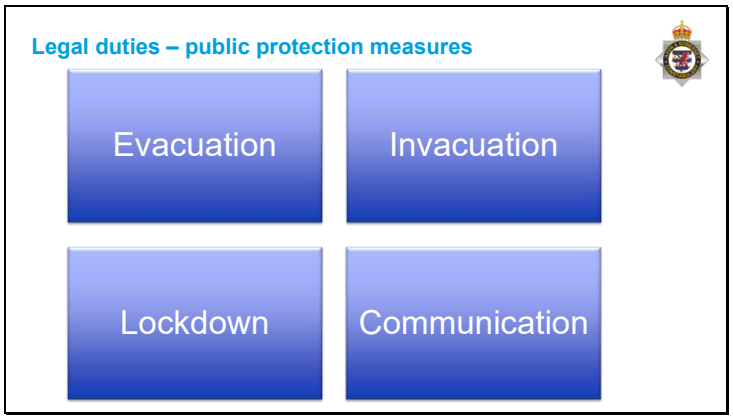
Legal duties – public protection measures
Evacuation
Invacuation
Lockdown
Communication

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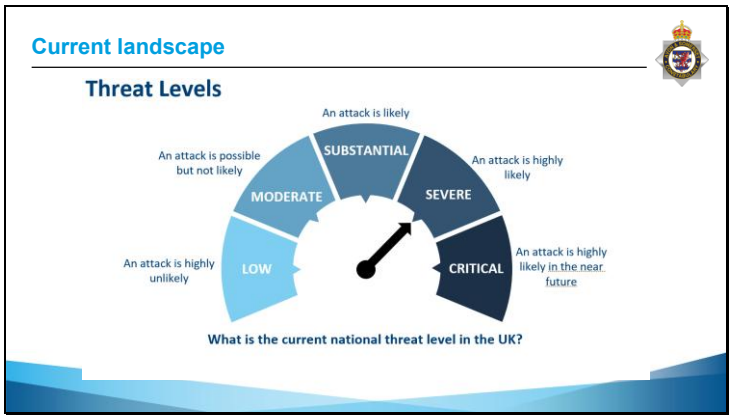
Current landscape
Threat Levels
An attack is likely
SUBSTANTIAL
An attack is possible but not likely
MODERATE
An attack is highly likely
SEVERE
An attack is highly unlikely
LOW
CRITICAL
An attack is highly likely in the near future
What is the current national threat level in the UK?

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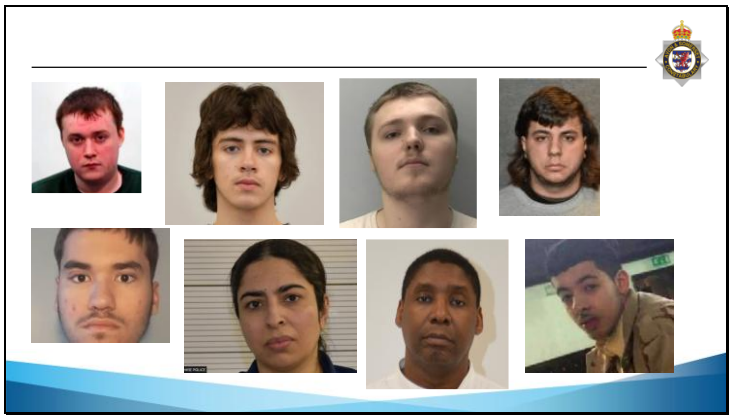

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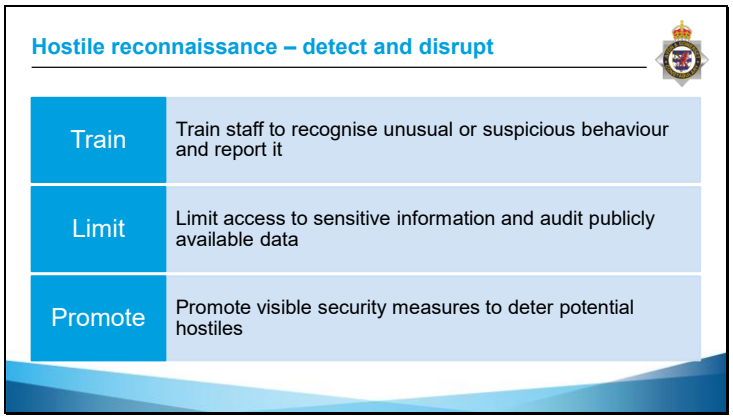
Hostile reconnaissance – detect and disrupt
Train
Train staff to recognise unusual or suspicious behaviour and report it
Limit
Limit access to sensitive information and audit publicly available data
Promote
Promote visible security measures to deter potential hostiles

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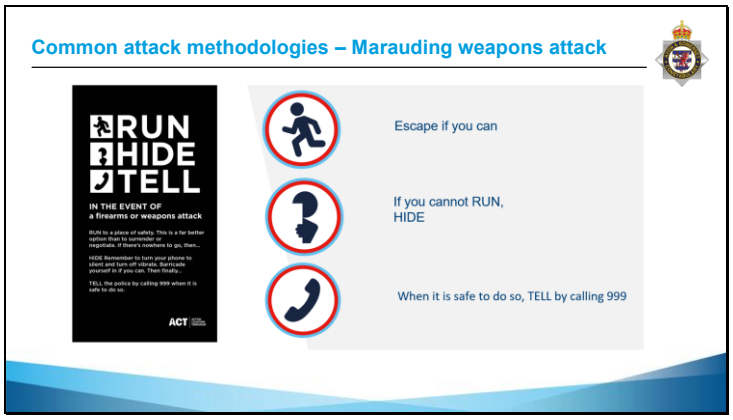
Common attack methodologies – Marauding weapons attack
RUN
HIDE
TELL
IN THE EVENT OF
a firearms or weapons attack
ACT
Escape if you can
If you cannot RUN,
HIDE
When it is safe to do so, TELL by calling 999

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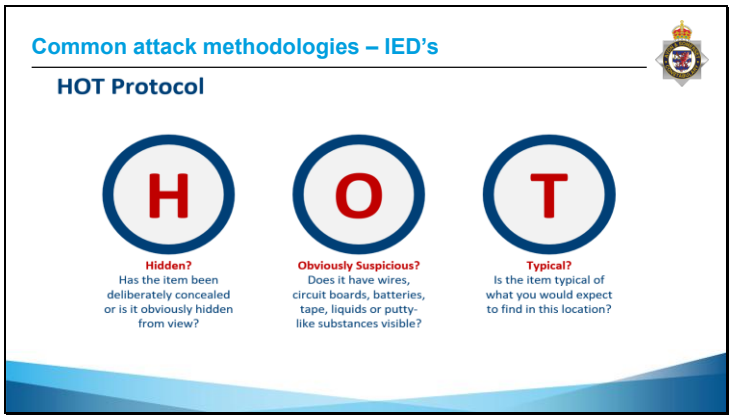
Common attack methodologies – IED's
HOT Protocol
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Hidden?
Has the item been deliberately concealed or is it obviously hidden from view?
Obviously Suspicious?
Does it have wires, circuit boards, batteries, tape, liquids or putty-like substances visible?
Typical?
Is the item typical of what you would expect to find in this location?

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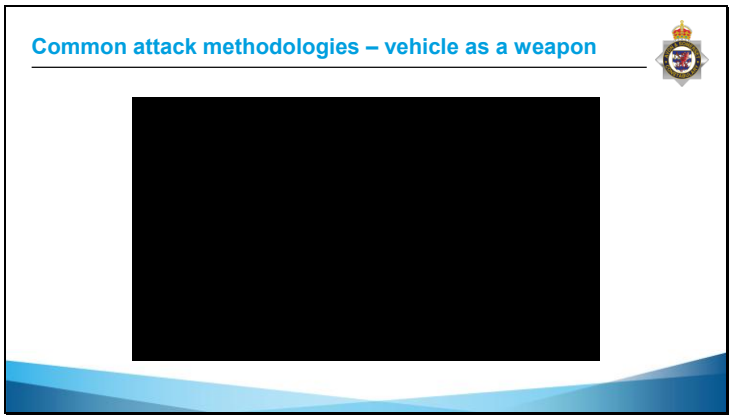

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What can you do now?
Think about starting to develop your risk assessment and security plan considering those four key points -evacuation, invacuation, lockdown and communications
Bear in mind those key attack methodologies and consider your vulnerabilities
What can do you to reduce risk
Physical measures – including what do you already have in place that can be utilised
Other measures – staff training and awareness is key and costs nothing

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Resources
NaCTSO – National Counter Terrorism Security Office
Protect UK – for training and resources
Counter Terrorism Security Advisors (CTSAs)

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