

# CORPS RELAY

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# Activists Conducting Red Paint Attacks

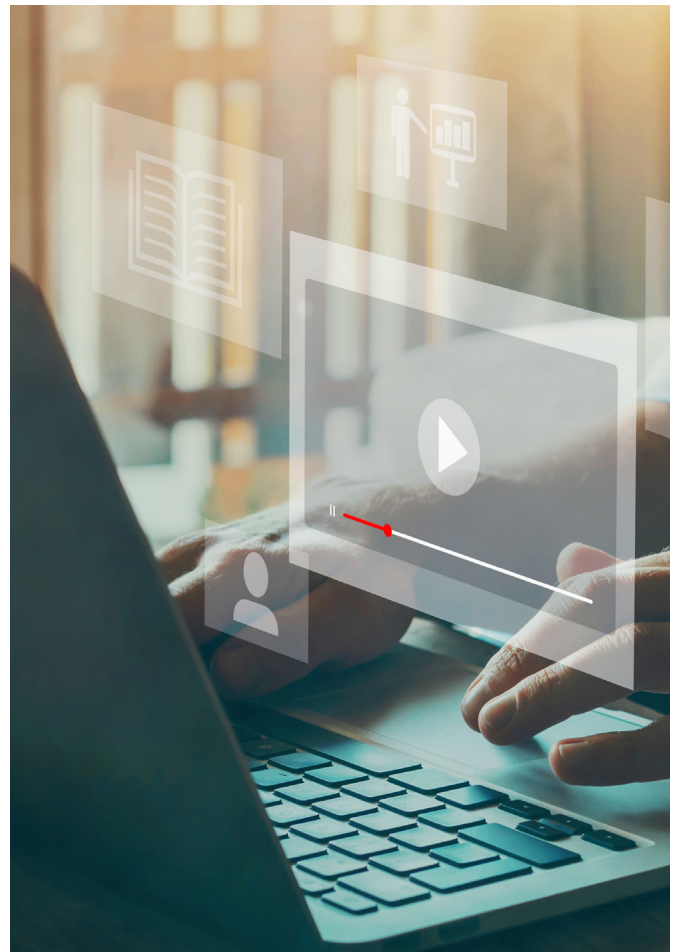
It has not been uncommon for red paint to be utilised as a means of visual demonstration against buildings and, in some instances, people. Historically, these have most commonly been associated with environmental and animal rights groups, however, red paint can also be a trademark of certain pro-Palestine activist groups. There have been several such attacks recently, with high

profile targets including Twickenham Stadium. Fire extinguishers are being used regularly as a more covert delivery method for the paint, as well as other forms of canisters. This means businesses should be alert to any such items being carried in or around their premises.

# New SCaN for Line Managers Online Training Now Available

Highfield Learning have published a new version of the NPSA's 'See, Check, and Notify' (SCaN) training specifically aimed at Line Managers. Like the ACT training available from Highfield, there are multiple ways to access this module, including:

- Online - as an individual learner you can watch the film and do the knowledge check through the [Highfield e-learning website](#). Open the package and select the 'individual' option.
- Facilitated session - your organisation can run group sessions for themselves. If you'd like to run a group session for your colleagues, go to the [Highfield e-learning website](#) and select the 'facilitator' option, then 'access online now'. This will give you access to the detailed facilitators notes to help you run an effective SCaN for Line Managers awareness session.
- Through your organisation's own eLearning system - your organisation can also embed the awareness session into their own e-learning system to allow individuals to complete the learning 'offline'. If you wish to obtain a copy of the learning package for use internally, you can request a SCORM file for download by going to the [Highfield e-learning website](#), selecting the 'facilitator' option and then 'request SCORM download.'





# The Security Institute Appoint a New Chief Executive

Professor Simon Hepburn MA MCMi FRSA has been appointed the new Chief Executive by The Security Institute. Professor Hepburn was selected from a strong set of candidates after an independent, and rigorous selection process.

Simon Hepburn is a 25-year veteran of the not-for-profit, education and careers sectors, is a visiting Professor at Aston University and is Chair of ReachOut, a youth mentoring charity. Moreover, he was named one of the 100 most influential people of African or African Caribbean heritage in Powerlist Magazine 2023. Professor Hepburn was the first Chief Executive Officer for the UK Cyber Security Council, developing the organisation from a start-up to a respected Chartered organisation. He has responded to Government consultations, been involved in advisory groups, and championed the work of his organisations in the policy arena. He has also built an extended and extensive network from the public, private and third sector which will be of great benefit to the Institute in terms of extending its reach and influence.

Professor Hepburn stated, "I am pleased to join The Security Institute as the new Chief Executive Officer. The Institute has over twenty years of experience, providing essential services and the voice of the security profession. This industry I believe carries out some of the most important work to protect the UK. I look forward to working with the Board, staff, key partners, stakeholders, and practitioners to amplify this crucial work and lead the organisation through its next development phase, growth, and influence."

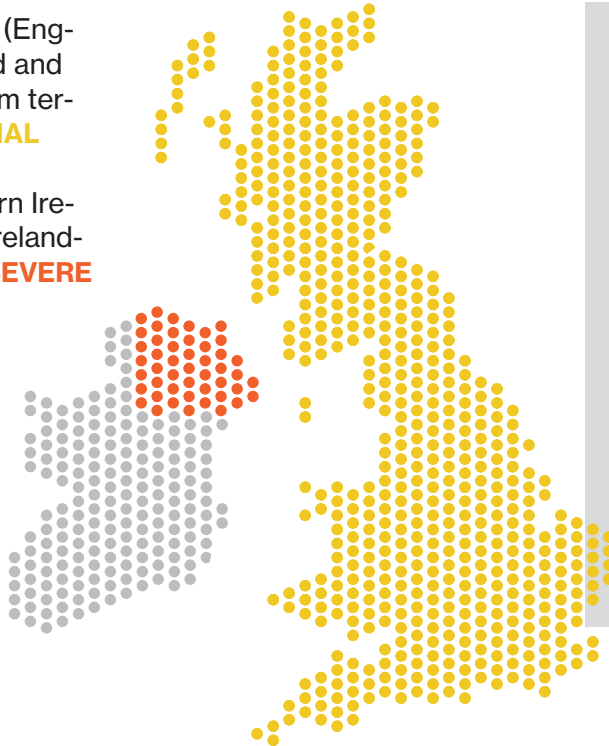
The Security Institute's Chair, Julie Nel MA, MSyl, added: "Simon will bring his wealth of experience and extensive network to significantly benefit The Institute. He will be integral to building on our current structure and service delivery. His understanding and experience of working within the cyber security field, as well as leading a membership organisation, means we have recruited a Chief Executive who will be able to deliver the strategy of the Board and ensure growth and service excellence for our members, partners, and stakeholders."



# Current National Threat Level

The threat to the UK (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland) from terrorism is **SUBSTANTIAL**

The threat to Northern Ireland from Northern Ireland-related terrorism is **SEVERE**



## NOTE:

Threat levels are designed to give a broad indication of the likelihood of a terrorist attack

**LOW** means an attack is highly unlikely

**MODERATE** means an attack is possible, but not likely

**SUBSTANTIAL** means an attack is likely

**SEVERE** means an attack is highly likely

**CRITICAL** means an attack is highly likely in the near future

## Terrorist Plot on Christian Preacher in Hyde Park

Edward Little (21) from Brighton, has admitted to the charge of plotting a gun attack in Hyde Park, London. The prosecution gave evidence of Little's researched targets which included the Christian preacher Hatun Tash, military figures and members of the Metropolitan Police.

As part of his preparations, Little had researched different guns and their capabilities, and arranged to buy one for £5,000. When arrested, he was carrying a rucksack with £5,000 in cash, a passport, and two mobile phones. As part of the investigation police found an encrypted chat on one phone, setting out his attack plan and the gun purchase.

Little has been sentenced to life in prison with a minimum of 24 years. A further three members of an Organised Crime Group were also jailed for conspiring to provide Little with a gun. In the separate case at Inner London Crown Court, Reis Forde (27), Caleb Wenyeve (21), and Tyler King (21), admitted to being party to a plot to sell Little a gun, although it was accepted, they did not know it was for a terror attack. Forde was jailed for 13 years and six months, Wenyeve for 12 years and King for 10 years and nine months. All three admitted conspiring to transfer a prohibited firearm.

# Hosts of Neo-Nazi Podcast Jailed for Terror Offences

Christopher Gibbons (40), and Tyrone Pattern-Walsh (36) have both been handed custodial sentences for using their podcast, the Black Wolf Radio podcast, as a platform to encourage listeners to commit acts of terrorist violence against ethnic minorities. The pair also aired homophobic, racist, antisemitic, Islamophobic and misogynistic views during the podcast's 21 episodes.

The Metropolitan Counter Terrorism Command found Gibbons had created an online 'Radicalisation Library' containing more than 500 videos of extreme right-wing-related speeches and propaganda documents. The library had nearly 1,000 subscribers and the content had been viewed more than 152,000 times. Officers found

some of the content in the podcast and the online library to be in breach of terrorism legislation and they were subsequently arrested and charged with several terrorism offences. Gibbons has been sentenced to eight years for eight counts of encouraging terrorism and two counts of dissemination of terrorist publications, and Patten-Walsh for seven years for eight counts of encouraging acts of terrorism. Both will be subject to a 15-year-long part four notification order once they are released, meaning they will be required to keep police informed about where they live and details of any foreign travel.

# Individual Imprisoned for Hostile Reconnaissance of an Iranian TV Channel in London

Magomed-Husejn Dovtaev (31) a Chechnya-born Austrian carried out 'hostile reconnaissance' for others unknown at the London headquarters of Persian-language television channel Iran International.

Dovtaev who worked in IT, has been jailed for three-and-a-half years with a further licence period of 12 years for spying on a dissident Iranian television channel before an alleged 'planned attack' in London. Dovtaev travelled from Vienna to Gatwick and by taxi to the company's premises in Chiswick Business Park, West London where he

was arrested by Police at a nearby Starbucks after being seen filming the Iran International building on his phone. Later he claimed not to know why he had been sent to the business park and said he felt tricked by his contact, whose identity he did not know.

Adding he was sent to the UK to do something he "didn't understand" however, when initially questioned, he told security guards that he was meeting a friend.





## Safe Haven App Launched – Notification of Temporary Refuge Locations in an Emergency

# Corps Focus: Security Issue of the Month

The 'Safe Haven' app allows user to identify a 24-hour security-operated building which offers a temporary place of refuge for anyone who comes into difficulty (whether feeling vulnerable, in an emergency or requires assistance). This is a short-term holding point to offer these individuals time to arrange a safe onward passage to their next destination. Buildings that have signed up to the app as temporary locations will have an onsite security team, who have a high level of vetting and will be available at any time to assist a visitor.

The concept utilises an already existing 24-hour staffed property workforce, so with a small amount of additional training a 'Safe Haven' can be up and

running in a short period of time. The system is then self-administered by the building's security team who only need to confirm their intention to continue providing the 'Safe Haven' on a quarterly basis to ensure that the list of available properties remains up to date in real time. The longer-term aim is that the Safe Haven project will be adopted and extend across the UK creating a network of locations available to anyone throughout the day or night, 365 days a year. Access to the building is provided via a free and easy to use app (for app link please use QR codes below) which has been developed by security solutions firm Croma Vigilant.



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