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Cumbria - PREVENT Briefing

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It’s illegal to kill people in this country or ask others to kill people, no matter what your politics, ethnicity, faith, social class etc.

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UK Government Contest Strategy 2023



To reduce the risk to the UK, and its interests overseas, from terrorism so that people can go about their lives with confidence.

Prevent, Protect, Prepare, Pursue

2011 Prevent Strategy defines extremism:

Prevent Strategy

HM Government

Is the vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. We also include in our definition of extremism calls for the death of members of our armed forces, whether in this country or overseas.

•works in partnership with front-line professionals such as teachers, healthcare practitioners, social workers, the police, charities and civil society, psychologists, community leaders and others;

•is delivered by local authority teams, local policing teams, community organisations and charities that have the best expertise in their area;

•does not target any one community and deals with all forms of terrorism, including Islamist, extreme right-wing and a range of emerging threats

•is not limited to any age group;

•will not show up on any criminal record checks;

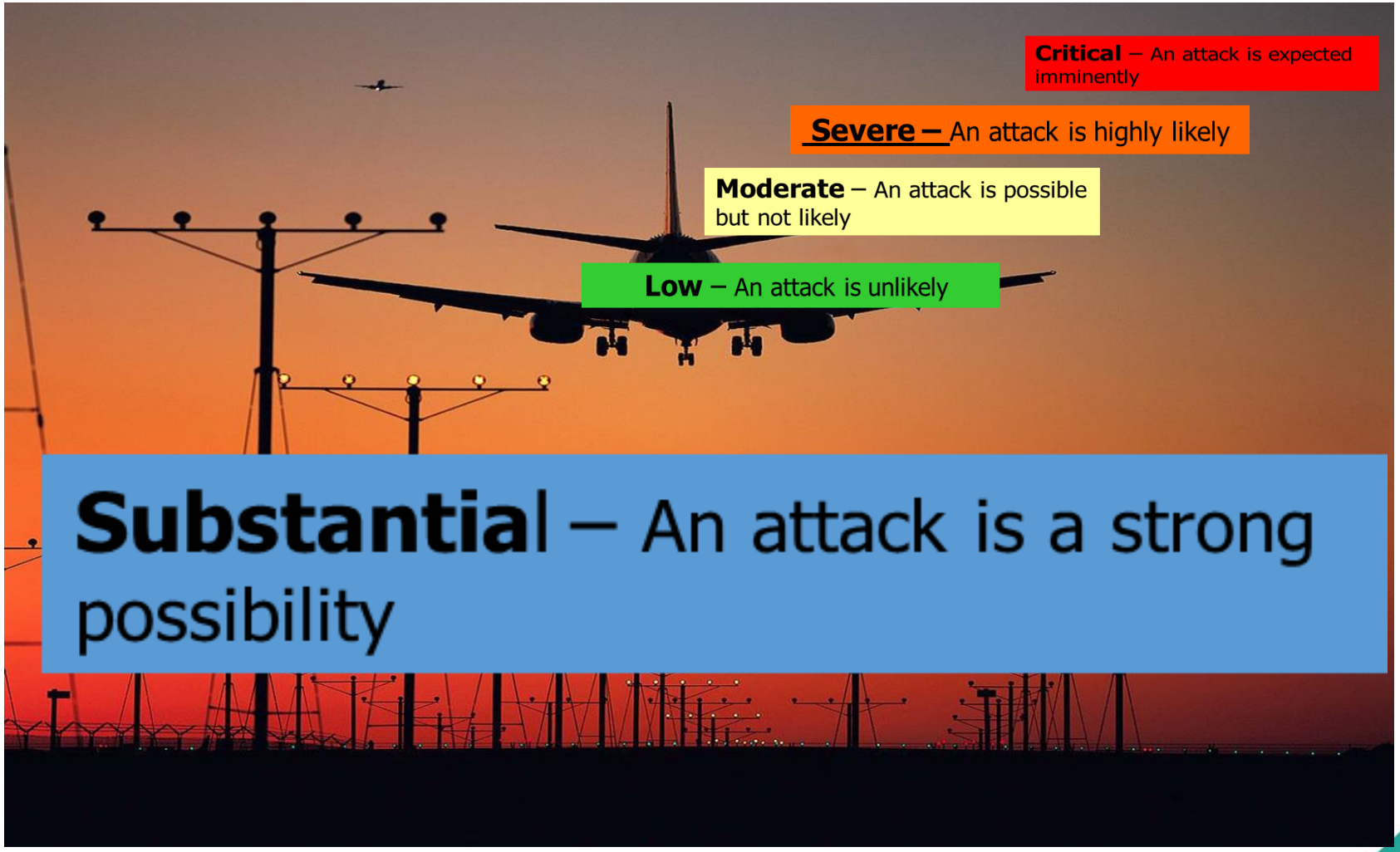
•is not a tool for spying or surveillance, and the Prevent duty does not place any restrictions on free speech. It is part of the wider safeguarding obligations we have towards protecting people from harm;

•provides training for educators, healthcare staff and other frontline staff to help them understand and implement the Prevent duty and protect susceptible people in their care.

The Prevent duty must be implemented in line with the requirements set out in the Equ... Duty.

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Threat Levels



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Some well known types of extremism

- Extreme Right Wing – **Main issue for Cumbria**
- Islamist
- Animal Rights
- Irish – Nationalist & Loyalist





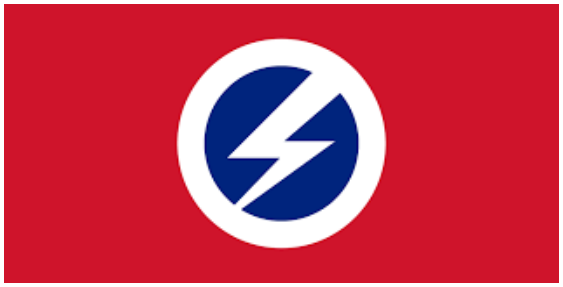


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Extremist Symbols



PATRIOTIC ALTERNATIVE







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The Mail, 3/6/23

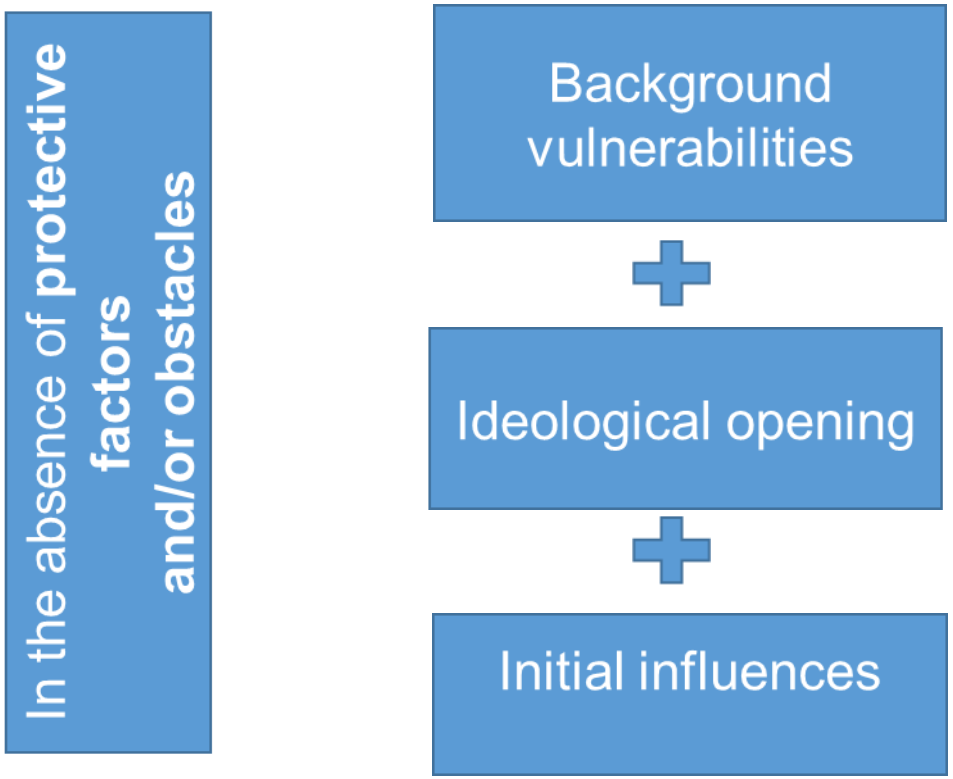
Neo-Nazi group is caught plotting a sickening Aryan revolution using 'lone-wolf' terror attacks during a secret meeting in a Lake District village hall.



NBU members were given details of last week's secret meeting only after assembling in a car park near Penrith in the Lake District. They were directed to the village hall in nearby Eamont Bridge. One joked that the parish council would be 'in for a shock' when they realised who had booked the hall.

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Radicalisation Process



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People are groomed

- Safeguarding Issue
- Process
- Belonging
- Feel wanted
- Beholden
- Peer pressure
- Guilt
- Exploit weaknesses





Internet/Social Media is a major factor in recruiting and exploiting (especially young) people who are vulnerable and susceptible



Google has pledged to employ 10,000 staff to identify violent extremism and content that endangers children on YouTube. YouTube's enforcement teams have reviewed two million videos for violent extremist content and have taken down 150,000 have been taken down (300,000 pieces of content since 2010). Facebook Says It's Getting Better At Removing Hate Speech As It Deletes 1.5 BILLION Fake Accounts Over The Last Six Months

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My Role

