**Readiness Criteria**

Risk Assessment – identifying and assessing the risk to your business

Target Outcome

Your business has an understanding of the most significant risks applicable to it, based on how likely they are to happen and what their impacts might be. This information is used to inform risk management decisions, including the development of a proportionate emergency plan.

Minimum Standards

* Risk Assessment template completed
* Awareness of national and local terrorism threat levels
* Prepare for absence of key staff and/or interruption of core suppliers
* Consideration is given to the risk of crime to staff and customers

Leading Practice

* Collaborating with neighbouring businesses and landlords to understand the risks in your neighbourhood
* Consideration is given to the business’ reputational risk
* Specific terrorism threat assessment has been undertaken

Guidance and Supporting Documentation

* Risk assessment toolkit. Complete the Risk Assessment
* National Terrorism Threat level  
  [mi5.gov.uk/threat-levels](https://www.mi5.gov.uk/threat-levels)
* National Counter-terrorism Security Office Crowded Places Guidance   
  [gov.uk/government/publications/crowded-places-guidance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/crowded-places-guidance)
* National Cyber Security Action Plan for SMEs (takes 3-5 minutes to complete)  
  [ncsc.gov.uk/cyberaware/actionplan](https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/cyberaware/actionplan)