



ASSOCIATION OF CHIEF POLICE OFFICERS

ACT NOW Factsheet

Prevent Delivery Unit

ACT NOW is an interactive counter terrorism exercise developed by the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) *Prevent Delivery Unit*. It is designed to achieve interaction between people from different communities, cultures and faiths and puts under the spotlight the procedures and thought processes involved in arriving at decisions.

ACT NOW takes place in a safe and confidential environment in which the extremely sensitive issues around counter terrorism policing can be discussed.

ACT NOW can be hosted by police forces as well as partner agencies in schools, colleges and community settings. Training and resources to deliver the product are provided by the ACPO *Prevent Delivery Unit*.

Participants are invited to take part in a situation where a terrorist incident is about to or has taken place. Decisions are made which shape the way the incident is investigated and the impact of these decisions on communities, media and families of victims as well as the offenders are explored.

ACT NOW is designed to be taken out into the heart of our communities, to develop open dialogue and address grievances in safe spaces. It has an important role to play in supporting wider community engagement and helping the police service, its partners and local people to tackle the challenge from all forms of extremism and extremist ideology that can lead to terrorism.



Resources included:

- ACT NOW DVD
- ACT NOW workbooks – one per participant.
- One set of facilitator notes per facilitator

Time needed: 2- 3 hours

Audience: All communities 14 years and older

For more information on ACT NOW email Prevent@acpo.pnn.police.uk or call 020 7084 8776.

Police officers and staff can also gain more information via <http://www.pnct.pnn.police.uk>