



Risk of Terrorism Statement

Viney Hill Trustee Board recognise the risk to the United Kingdom of acts of terror and take into consideration the UK's security threat level at all times. Our risk register suggests that the risk of terror is low, but if it were to occur, it would most likely be via a Marauding Terrorist Attack (MTA), Improvised Explosive Device (IED) or use of a Vehicle as a Weapon (VaaW). The trustees also acknowledge the determination of terrorists and how appropriate security measures need to be balanced so as not to detract from participants enjoyment of activities.

Martyn's Law, formally the Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025, is not yet in force, but is in the implementation period. The Act received Royal Assent on 3 April 2025 and the implementation period will last at least 24 months before coming into force. There is no legal requirement to comply yet.

The law applies to premises and events where it is reasonable to expect 200 or more people. For Viney Hill, the Trustees recognise that we fall into the Standard Tier (200 – 799 people). This tier focuses on simple, low-cost measures such as evacuation procedures, lockdown plans, communication strategies and staff/volunteer awareness. No physical security measures are required.

The trustees note that certain locations, such as schools below university level, places of worship and transport hubs may have modified obligations or be treated different when the law comes into force.

In the meantime, although compliance is not yet mandatory, the Trustees feel that they should:

- Appoint a responsible person for the premises and
- Conduct risk assessments and consider low-cost measures to improve safety.

In the event of any intelligence from within or external sources, the trustees will ensure that the responsible person for the premises will liaise with Gloucestershire Constabulary as required and that the responsible person recognises that this may include handing over primacy. The responsible person will then work to advise and support the emergency services on the nuances of the enfolding event.