

If you suspect it,  
report it

# PROJECT KRAKEN

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Counter Terrorism Hotline 0800 789 321

***PROTECTING THE WATERS OF THE UK***



Have you heard or seen anything suspicious within the maritime environment?...



## What to look for...

- Packages being transferred from a vessel to a vehicle in unusual locations such as remote parts of coast or isolated inlets
- Activity or sightings of vessels at night or on unused/ secluded shorelines
- Strangers trying to hire your vessel - or those belonging to other club members or associates
- Strangers using or seeking permission to use your moorings
- Evidence of adaptation of vessels for concealment purposes

## If you notice anything unusual

- DO NOT involve yourself
- DO NOT touch anything suspicious
- Make a note of any registration number, markings or descriptions of any vessel or vehicle involved
- Record any descriptions of suspects
- If there is CCTV coverage, then save the tape
- If an answer phone message has been left, save the tape
- Contact details or business card details
- If you consider any enquiries as suspicious, if at all possible, delay them and contact the unit
- **Early notification is essential.** Please contact Avon and Somerset Constabulary on 0845 456 7000 or in an emergency call 999. You can also contact the Counter Terrorism Hotline **0800 789 321**

## What we ask of you?

Quite simply, to call the central number or Email whenever you see any activity or behaviour that you feel is suspicious, and which may be connected with acts or preparatory acts of terrorism or serious crime.



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## What is Project Kraken?

Project Kraken delivers an enhanced counter-terrorist (CT) and crime 'vigilance' capability within the sea faring element of the UK. It combines law enforcement and maritime agencies with local communities to provide a more secure environment for those who live, work, relax or travel through the Bristol Channel area.

Through enhanced criminal and CT awareness and a promotion in the exchange of information, the Bristol Channel and Severnside estuary can continue to be a safe haven for maritime activity.



## How does Project Kraken work?

Project Kraken, through the provision of a central phone number, provides a mechanism for the reporting of unusual activity or behaviour within the maritime environment, believed or suspected to be linked to acts of crime or preparatory acts of terrorism.

Whilst it is almost impossible to say with any certainty what a criminal or terrorist might look like, an individual's activity or behaviour can become suspicious in the context of the location they are in. Likewise, the vessel or a particular cargo within a small port or marina might just cause reason for concern by those who live, work and relax in that particular environment on a regular basis.

Project Kraken provides for the collation and assessment of all information and intelligence relating to suspicious activity or behaviour in such circumstances that could be linked to criminal or terrorist activity or acts of a preparatory nature. It allows for the appropriate deployment of assets and resources from Avon and Somerset Constabulary and its partner agencies in response to a potential or defined threat.

