# **NEWSLETTER**

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Firstly, we would like to say Merry Christmas to everyone and welcome to our newest newsletter issue, we hope you are well.

This issue will cover everything from company news to Christmas news to security industry news. This Christmas will be far from the Christmas' we know and love. The beloved tradition of getting together with family and friends at Christmas has been lost this year. But it is important in these hard times to remember all that you are grateful for. If you have a roof over your head and loved ones around you, you are richer than you know.

The Coronavirus has created a perilous environment for businesses as well as individuals. Therefore, keeping safe has taken a forefront this year. We, as a business who have had to remain in operation throughout the lockdowns have had to adopt many new safety measures to keep our employees, customers and the public safe. In this regard we have attended to customer needs when business closed, keeping safety at the forefront of our minds. To do this we have and continue to provide personal protective equipment to all guards alongside training and briefings on how to conduct themselves to minimise the risk of infection or spread.

Our main target this Christmas is to continue to provide excellent quality security to our current and new customers during this difficult Christmas period. So far, we are on target to achieve high customer satisfactory feedback, because of our continued efforts to provide quality services nationwide at low prices. We will continue to keep our prices low to help struggling small and big businesses stay secure during Christmas.

#### COMPANY NEWS



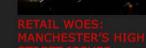
# HOW TO BECOME A

Qualifying as a security guard equips you with a valuable skillset and can open a plethora of job rewarding opportunities within the industry, depending on the company, the situation and more.



# PREVENTING RETAIL

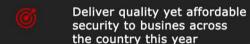
Retail crime has always been a pressing matter in Leeds but with the outbreak of the Coronavirus it has become more and more important to stay in control of everything that happens within a retail store.



In 2019, Britain's top 500 high streets saw the closure of over 2,400 stores in 2018 alone, and with 82% of us now shopping online it is easy to see why. Big cities have especially been hit hard.

TO FIND MORE OF OUR NEWS GO TO https://www.regionsecurityguarding.co.uk/news/

#### Our Christmas Target:



Receive a high customer satisfactory rate.

### Employee of the Month:

## Jake Evans

(Digital Marketing Apprentice)
For his outstanding dedication to work.

#### "Recent Testimonial"

"Services provided were excellent! Punctuality was excellent, management was well organised and communication with both employees on duty and the management was excellent. I would definitely recommend your services and would not hesitate to use your services in the future."



We have kept up to date with all of our accreditations this year. This is an important task as it ensures that we can continue to provide the highest quality security.

















# ISTMAS News

With 262,279 redundancies and 9,602,000 people furloughed, crime is expected to rise this Christmas. This coupled with the reopening of retail stores, points towards a major increase in retail crime.

When the UK went into lockdown Britain's economy plunged into the deepest recession since modern records began. Gross domestic product fell by 20.4% in the three months to the end of June, the biggest decline of any major nation, following the later imposition of lockdown than in other countries and slower relaxation of restrictions. Almost three-quarters of a million jobs have been\* lost from company payrolls since the start of the crisis.

Shoplifting cases have increased within the last couple of months with a total of 706 more cases in October than there was in September. This coupled with the crime statistics of last Christmas show an ever-developing trend.



# COVID-19

This Christmas will be different to every other we have had. The Coronavirus will mean that many of us will be unable to visit on even see our family and friends. But, after a long year now is the time to appreciate the loved ones, we have around us and look forward to next year when we can hopefully begin to enjoy time with family and friends once more. The COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough will hopefully help usher in a bright and joyous 2021.



# THANK YOU NHS

As the UK and the rest of the world prepares to receive the coronavirus vaccine, we must remember to say the biggest thank you to the NHS!

Region Security Guarding would like to take this opportunity to simply save thank you! We along with everyone else will not forget the work you have done to protect and save us.

## WHAT MEASURES HAVE WE TAKEN?

- Hand sanitiser station as you enter our office.
- All security guards are provided with personal pretective equipment, including a mask and gloves.
- All guards are provided with the correct training.

# **Current Statistics**

**UK Cases** 

Confirmed

Deaths

Global Cases



#### **ELBOW BUMPING** SANTA

With Coronavirus restrictions in place Christmas has to be a bit different this year. Santa Claus greets Jaythan Corbacho with an elbow bump.



#### ONLINE SHOPPING SURGE

businesses' industry body, told the BBC: "At this point, I think we can expect an increase of at least 30% for the peak festive trading

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/



#### RISE OF BURGLARIES IN **CHRISTMAS PERIOD**

A warning has been issued for people to be wary of rising burglaries across the county this Christmas period. Have a crime-free Christmas.

# PREVENT CATCHING AND SPREADING?



Avoid touching your face

Avoid contact with people who are unwell.

Throw away used tissues then wash your hands.

Wear a mask in public places





SIA LATEST

HM GOVERNMENT

LEVEL TO 'SEVERE'

Basu, UK head of Counter

**INCREASES THE THREAT** 

Assistant Commissioner, Neil

Terrorism Policing announced

Level has been raised from

'Substantial' to 'Severe'.

Terrorist Attack

vesterday that the UK Threat

This comes as a precautionary measure following the news of

another Terrorist attack, this time in Vienna, however it is

stressed not in relation to any

specific threat. Our thoughts are with the families, loved ones and emergency services personnel effected by the recent

attacks in France and Austria.

## INDUSTRY/SECURITY NEWS



#### A FEMALE SECURITY GUARD HAS WON A £2,000 PAYOUT

The payout was for sexual harassment after being repeatedly addressed as 'Mr.' Being addressed as a man led her to feel "extremely upset." https://www.telegraph.co.uk/

New Dad, Dave discusses his

plans for after the Bake Off,

to his security job.

Contestant itching to get back



#### SINGING WAITROSE SECURITY GUARDS BRING A SMILE TO SHOPPERS' FACES

Each day the pair, who work for KDM Security, have been putting on a show - dancing and singing for customers as they queue to go into the store.
https://www.somersetlive.co.uk/



#### HEROIC BOLTON SECURITY GUARD

The man held the knife up to a woman, but Josh managed to talk him down and diffuse the situation. "I straight away jumped out of my car to help."



#### KIND SECURITY GUARD HELPS NEW MUM

Mom out shopping with her new baby, who was born prematurely.

The security guard working at one of Merseyside's B&M stores came to her aid.

#### PERCEPTION OF SECURITY OFFICERS "MUST BE ADDRESSED URGENTLY"

Both before and during Covid, is ranked only slightly ahead of traffic wardens. https://www.fsmatters.com/

#### Our Unique Role

Given the security industry's unique role in supporting the police and protecting the public it is important that everyone across the industry remains vigilant and plays their part in these uncertain times.

The National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO) provides expert and current guidance on protecting against - and in the event of - a terrorist attack.

#### Refresh

We strongly recommend that all security professionals refresh their counter-terrorism knowledge by visiting the NaCTSO website and speaking with their employer regarding access to the ACT App. This App provides practical advice and guidance to help you protect your business, plus information on how to respond in the event of an attack including the latest reference and guidance documents.

#### Stay Aler

Given the security industry's unique role in supporting the police and protecting the public it is important the everyone across the industry remains vigilant and plays their part in these uncertain times.

It is important that we all look after each other. This will help ensure everyone is kept safe.

To read more about this story or more stories like it go to the SIA website,

https://www.sia.homeoffice.gov.uk/Pages/about-news.aspx

#### Thank You SECURITY GUARDS

Region Security Guarding would like to take this opportunity to thank all our Security quards. They have continually worked hard throughout this difficult year. Putting themselves in harm's way to ensure the safety of the public.

The stories displayed above only touch on the heroic and kind actions they take every day to keep us safe. As key workers throughout this pandemic they deserve the utmost recognition.



# UK CRIME STATISTICS

for September and October 2020

https://ukcrimestats.com/

#### OVERALL THEFT FIGUR

128,068 offences

VERALL CRIMINAL DAMAGE 8 ARSON FIGURE

78,830 offences

#### OVERALL ROBBERY FIGURE

11,080 offences

FIGURE

308,681 offences

