

Suspicious Items

If you have identified an unattended item as suspicious then you should follow a series of specific actions.

Those dealing with suspicious items should apply the 4Cs protocol:

CONFIRM: Whether or not the item has suspicious characteristics. The HOT protocol may assist with this

CLEAR: The immediate area

COMMUNICATE: Call 999

CONTROL: Access to the cordoned area

You should consult ProtectUK for further guidance on unattended items or items found to be suspicious. Additionally, ensure all staff download the ProtectUK app and view the Unattended and Suspicious Items Action Card as a reminder of how to respond.