

Islamic extremist threat sparks UK counter-terror rethink

From the [Telegraph](#). I'll believe it when see it. When the [police](#) and the [Ministry of Education](#) amend their courses to stop pretending that 'right-wing' extremism is the big, big danger.

Britain's counter-terror strategy is to be reviewed after an official report said that the [flagship Prevent programme was protecting potential terrorists rather than the public](#).

Suella Braverman is updating the Government's approach to terrorism amid concerns too little is being done to stop radical Islamic terror and "emerging and persistent security threats".

The Home Office strategy, codenamed CONTEST, has foiled more than 30 terror plots since 2017 but ministers believe it should do more to keep the public safe.

The review will also take into account the findings of the Manchester Arena inquiry, the second volume of which is being published next week.

A Home Office source said on Saturday that the full counter-terror review would partly focus on the [importance of Islamic extremism within the UK](#). "We need to face the fact that this is a much bigger issue than we are willing to accept at the moment," the source said. "Until we accept it, we're leaving ourselves seriously exposed because we are tolerating extremist ideology. It creates an environment in which terrorist mentalities are more acceptable."

An "updated and enhanced" version of CONTEST is expected to be

published next year. The strategy consists of Prevent, plus three other elements: Protect, Prepare and Pursue. *They do like their alliteration. Remember the aliteration, tick the right boxes, score the required 100% and print your certificate. Ta-dah!*