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Cyber Centre of Excellence

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Cyber CoE provides specialist technical expertise to help and support government organisations understand and manage their cyber security risks, resilience and readiness against threats and to meet the Minimum Cyber Security Standard.

For general cyber security advice, contact GSAC ([LINK](#))

For support on strategic cyber projects, contact Cyber CoE cybercoe@hmrc.gov.uk

Our Objectives

- We build capability within government to bring evidence-based, measurable benefit to Government departments' management of cyber security risks, improving their resilience and readiness against threats.
- We deliver strategic projects and initiatives targeting support to individual organisations prioritised by Government Security Group through the Cyber Advisory Group (CAG).
- We are Flexible and can tailor our support to the particular needs of organisations within their unique operating environment.
- We Support organisations to meet the Minimum Cyber Security Standard and industry best practice.

Benefits of the Cyber CoE

- Supporting departments to identify the Cyber Security issues and risks they hold and suggest and deliver remediation activities.
- Facilitate the adoption of Active Cyber Defence tools across government by bringing departments up to a common standard with their cyber security services.
- Access to centrally held expertise, capacity and capability.
- Increased departmental capability in responding to new Cyber security threats.
- Better management of vulnerabilities within Central Government services.
- Reduction in compromise of Central Government services.
- Acting as a force multiplier for NCSC and GSG in response to current and emerging threats, risks and policy changes.

The Cyber CoE Team

Our Delivery Team is a mix of specialist Cyber Security Consultants and Civil Servants with a broad range of technical Cyber and wider security knowledge.

Our Projects and Initiatives for 20/21 include:

- Cyber Security Gap Analysis
- Active Cyber Defence Adoption
- Domain Name Protection
- Vulnerability Disclosure

Who are we here to help?

- Government Departments
- Partner Organisations and Arms-Length Bodies
- Government CISOs, SAs and the security profession

Contact us

To engage with our projects and initiatives or to request cyber consultancy support please contact:
cybercoe@hmrc.gov.uk

Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure

CPNI is the National Technical Authority for personnel and physical protective security advice to the UK national infrastructure. Our role is to protect national security by helping to reduce the vulnerability of the national infrastructure to terrorism and other threats.

Our Objectives

Whilst GSAC delivers the first line of protective security advice and support, including mapping and understanding of security risks; CPNI focuses on more specialist and technical consultations, case work, matters directly relating to the UK's CNI's assets and systems, research and development and on security issues relating to the UK's national security.

Benefits of CPNI

Our joint aim remains the delivery of effective and sustainable protective security advice to you, your departments and those agencies and ALBs in scope, in a way which enables GSAC to amplify the reach of CPNI expertise and help more departments access the information they need.

Who are we here to help?

Government departments and devolved government with responsibility for infrastructure sectors, agencies and ALBs.

Contact us

To engage with our projects and initiatives or to request consultancy support please contact:

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C1SU Vetting Service

The CSU will support UKSV in delivering National Security Vetting (NSV) on your behalf in accordance with the Cabinet Office minimum Personnel Security Standards. The CSU will apply NSV consistently to its customer organisations and deliver the ongoing process required to maintain clearances across government and all related organisations.

Our Objectives

The CSU will support the delivery of NSV to all posts which require personnel security vetting. It will also deliver ongoing aftercare activities such as SAFs and case specific actions.

These will include:

- National Security decision making for those cases not decided by UKSV
- New clearance requests
- Renewal, confirmation, upgrade and transfer of clearances
- Ongoing Personnel Security Aftercare including Security Appraisal Form (SAF) process.
- Managing National Security clearance lapses, withdrawals, suspensions and refusals
- Exceptional bespoke personnel security clearance considerations.
- Providing NSV policy advice.
- Provision of services and providing support in respect of appeals against vetting decisions to the Security Vetting Appeals Panel (SVAP) where applicable.

Benefits of C1SU

Ensuring that the minimum standards are met helps mitigate against the risk of insider threat and provides standardisation across government and all related organisations.

Who are we here to help?

All Departments and Organisations that have been formally identified as being part of Security Cluster One and have subscribed to the service through C1SU:

HMRC	VOA	HM Land Registry
GAD	Ordnance Survey	Companies House
ICO	Charities Commission	Crown Commercial Service
ONS	CMA	Insolvency Service
NS&I	TNA	IPO
Northern Ireland Office	Cabinet Office	Met Office
Scotland Office	BEIS	UK Space Agency
Wales Office	DCMS	

Contact us

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