

# Secured by Design

Placing Design between Crime  
and the Community



Supporting the principles  
of designing out crime  
and crime prevention

SBD aims to bring together the principles of designing out crime, effective crime prevention and security standards for a range of applications and products.



## Key Features

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- Established in 1989, Secured by Design (SBD) is owned by the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) and is the corporate title for a group of national police projects focusing on the design and security for new & refurbished homes, commercial premises and car parks as well as the acknowledgement of quality security products and crime prevention projects.
- The project supports the Home Office key aim of reducing crime and the fear of crime and one of the Government's key planning objectives: the creation of secure, quality places where people wish to live and work.
- Secured by Design is a key model in the ODPM guide Safer Places – The Planning System & Crime Prevention (2004) and in the Home Office publication Your business – Keep Crime Out Of It (2005).
- Designing out crime deals with concepts of reducing anonymity of the offender, territoriality; the relationship between private and public space, environmental design and physical security measures.
- The Secured by Design Developers Award is given to building developments that incorporate the principles design-out-crime and physical security features identified in our Design Guides.
- Research shows that residents living on Secured by Design developments are half as likely to be burgled, two and a half times less likely to suffer vehicle crime. Secured by Design developments also show a 25% reduction of criminal damage.
- Secured by Design 'Police Preferred Specification' status is currently granted to more than 350 member companies whose products have passed the tests specified by ACPO Secured by Design.

## Secured by Design in the Built Environment

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Local police Crime Prevention Design Advisors (CPDAs) and Architectural Liaison Officers (ALOs) provide design advice and issue SBD Developers Awards to the construction industry.

CPDAs and ALOs offer advise on a range of construction projects including:

- Housing
- Educational premises
- Commercial premises
- Parking facilities
- Transport facilities

Advice is free but should be sought before planning and design considerations are finalised.

Contact details for all CPDAs and ALOs may be found in the 'Crime Prevention Design Advisor' section of the Secured by Design website or can be obtained from local police headquarters.

For further details on the Secured by Design Developers Award, Design Guides and Publications please visit [www.securedbydesign.com/professionals](http://www.securedbydesign.com/professionals)

Information on Secured by Design's associated projects such as the Community Safety Accreditation Scheme, Secured Environments, the Safer Parking Scheme and ACPO Security Systems Policy, please visit [www.securedbydesign.com/keylinks](http://www.securedbydesign.com/keylinks)

## Secured by Design Membership

In order to qualify for Secured by Design membership, manufacturers must ensure that their products meet the minimum security standards specified by SBD. Once a product has been tested and certified to the relevant standard, the company may apply for SBD membership.

- Manufacturers and suppliers who wish to benefit from this unique police relationship can apply to ACPO SBD with details of the products and to discuss the relevant effective standards available for the product. If successful, the company is given permission to use the logo and 'Police Preferred Specification' on the product and relevant marketing material as well as in company information.
- The use of the Secured by Design logo with 'Police Preferred Specification' quickly identifies to specifiers and the public the quality and resilience of security products without the need to understand complex technical papers.
- The technologies and product ranges supported by this initiative are continually expanding and now include doors and windows, locks, property/asset marking, grilles, shutters, fencing, computer security products, access control and electronic products including stolen vehicle tracking systems and security smoke generating systems.
- In most cases, the tests are set against published technical standards to show they are an effective security device with a realistic level of resistance to criminal attack. Tests must be undertaken at a UK Accreditation Service (UKAS) suitably accredited test house and products are routinely audited or have the benefit of product certification to ensure continued compliance.

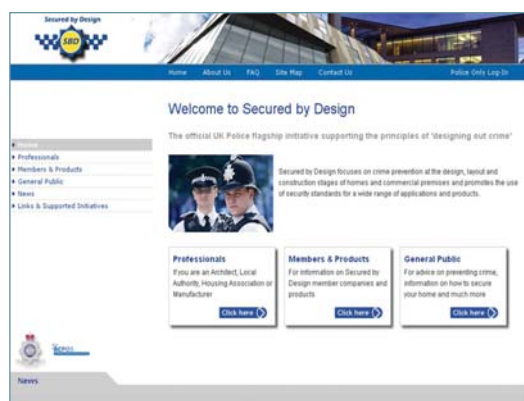
## www.securedbydesign.com

The Secured by Design website includes a wealth of advice and information on crime prevention and related initiatives.

The site provides information on the technical standards used to ensure that security products are effective; the design guides section deals with the requirements of the Secured by Design range of projects and the publications section offers advice on specific areas of security such as business crime, schools and burglar alarms.

SBD approved products and services can be found using the product search facility which provides full contact details for all SBD approved manufacturers and suppliers.

The Professional section of the site contains a list of all local police specialists whilst a dedicated area for the general public contains detailed information specifically for homeowners on crime prevention measures to ensure the safety of a property.





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