

# An Introduction to Secured by Design

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# Why Crime Occurs

## An Offenders Perspective

Some points to consider about crime and offending



crime doesn't happen randomly, offenders make a rational choice and respond to environmental cues



offenders seek anonymity



they assess the likelihood of being seen and take account of any likely response



Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) reduces '*opportunity*' through design

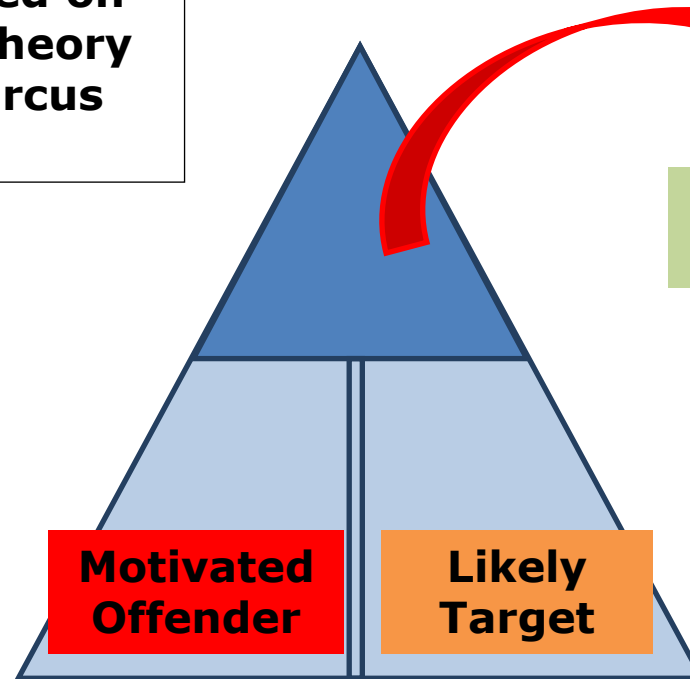


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**This model is based on Routine Activity Theory developed by Marcus Felson**

***A motivated offender is one who has assessed the risk and has decided that the reward outweighs the risk of being caught or any other likely intervention***




**Lack of Effective Capable Guardian**

***A capable guardian is anyone or anything responsible for looking after the target***

***A likely target can be a person, place or thing***



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 most crime occurs because  
of '*opportunity*' which can be  
'designed' out



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‘achieving good design is about creating places, buildings or spaces that work well for everyone, look good, last well and will adapt to the needs of future generations’



‘design impacts on how people interact with places . . . the following should be considered’



‘safe, connected and efficient streets’



‘crime prevention and security measures’



‘access and inclusion’



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## Secured by Design creates an environment:



Where residents can '*take ownership*' of the space around them and exert influence and control in their community by creating a '*sense of place*' where they and other legitimate users are able to go about their daily routine without unduly fearing crime or insecurity

Where this doesn't happen people choose not to stay because crime and anti-social behaviour flourishes



# Are these two images examples of *'security'* or *'insecurity'* ?



While castles may have provided a safe haven 'most of the time' they were often overwhelmed by determined offenders due to ineffective protective security and poor environmental design



Razor wire is also ineffective and is not CPTED or SBD compliant





# Layout and Design

## Access, Defensible Space and Territoriality



*residents claiming ownership despite not being 'designed in'*



*ability for residents to claim ownership 'designed in'*







# Layout and Design

*'what happens when crime is not designed out?'*



*ineffective access control – gate too far back*



# Layout and Design

*'what happens when crime is not designed out?'*



*<<< lack of 'defensible space' >>>  
residents cannot express control*

*homes that cannot be used*



*graffiti – path is too close to home*



*defensible space with reduced natural surveillance  
is this 'security' or 'insecurity'?*





# Layout and Design

*‘when crime is not designed out?’*





# Layout and Design

*‘when crime is designed out?’*



designed to encourage usage  
and feelings of safety



visually open, direct and well used  
not segregated from each other





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