

Guidance for Crime Impact Statements relating to Local Authority Planning Application's

What is a Crime Impact Statement (CIS)?

A Crime Impact Statement addresses the threat and risk in relation to crime and anti-social behaviour within Lancashire with the aim of creating safe, secure and sustainable communities. The CIS also recommends possible solutions to remove and/or reduce these risks right from the initial planning and design of a proposed development.

When do I need a CIS?

In order to encourage Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles into commercial and domestic developments a Crime Impact Statement should accompany a Planning Application and incorporated into the Design and Access Statement (where required) if it meets any of the following criteria:-

- ✓ Residential developments (25 or more dwellings),
- ✓ Retail schemes (100sqm or more/more than 3 units),
- ✓ Office and Commercial developments,
- ✓ Educational premises,
- ✓ Hotels,
- ✓ Nursing/care homes,
- ✓ Religious buildings,
- ✓ Hospitals and other medicinal premises (including veterinary buildings and chemists),
- ✓ Banks and other financial premises,
- ✓ Licensed premises (alcohol & Registered Firearm Dealers),
- ✓ Student accommodation (NB: 20 units or more for conversion),
- ✓ ATM's (new, replacement and retrospective),
- ✓ Events and Leisure premises likely to attract large groups of people; with a particularly focus on counter terrorism measures.

Where can I get a CIS?

Crime Impact Statements can be obtained from Lancashire Constabulary's Designing Out Crime Officers (DOCO's), who are based at Lancashire Constabulary Headquarters. They can be contacted at ALO@lancashire.pnn.police.uk. **Please allow 10 working days' notice.** **NB.** A Preliminary CIS will be provided for 'Outline' applications, which will provide contextual crime information and initial design considerations to support the development of the layout and appearance. Bespoke recommendations will be provided if the application progresses to the next planning stage.

Secured By Design accreditation

Developers should also consider applying for **Secured by Design (SBD) accreditation**. SBD focuses on crime prevention at the design, layout and construction stages of developments and promotes the use of security standards for a wide range of applications and products. SBD guidance documents and application forms can be obtained from www.securedbydesign.com.