



# Building Newsflash

## Crime prevention through environmental design guidelines for Queensland

### Purpose

To advise of the availability of a new set of guidelines which provide for practical crime prevention through environmental design solutions that can be tailored to the unique needs of communities across Queensland.

### Background

Crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) is a well researched crime prevention method which has been shown to reduce opportunities for crime and incivility. It provides positive community safety benefits by improving planning and design decisions in ways that provide organisations, communities and businesses with practical crime prevention tools.

The CPTED guidelines were developed in consultation with a number of stakeholders across Queensland including local government, the planning and building industry, police and Queensland communities. The guidelines seek to promote the incorporation of CPTED principles into the planning, design and management of development in Queensland. They aim to:

- guide and encourage public and private developers to design with CPTED in mind
- guide and encourage local councils to incorporate the principles of CPTED in the preparation, review and implementation of planning schemes and policies
- inform and encourage the community to participate in creating and maintaining safe environments.

The *Crime prevention through environmental design: guidelines for Queensland* is presented in two parts:

*Part A: Essential features of safer places* outlines the idea of CPTED, introduces important concepts, identifies principles and introduces actions to implement the principles. It is offered to all in the community with an interest in and responsibility for the environments we create.

*Part B: Implementation guide* is particularly offered to local councils. It aims to encourage and assist them to incorporate the principles of CPTED in their communities.

Copies of the guidelines can be obtained by contacting 07 3234 2111 or by visiting:

<http://www.police.qld.gov.au/programs/crimePrevention/cpted.htm>

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