

- Experience suggests that houses in multiple occupation tend to attract a more transient group of residents who, if not sensitively managed, can both generate and attract crime and disorder problems that may directly impact on the amenity of neighbouring residents. It is important that robust security measures and a suitable management plan have been developed and then designed into the scheme from the outset, in order to clearly demonstrate that crime and disorder issues have been considered and reasonable measures implemented, to ensure that the development provides a safe and secure place for future residents.
- The main communal entrance to the HMO should security-certified to BSPAS24 and should be self-closing/locking and fitted with secure video access controls linked to each bedroom, to allow residents to control access. Postboxes (certified to TS009) should ideally be located externally adjacent to the main entrance. The internal doorsets to each of the bedroom units should be of robust construction (FD30 or higher), with hinge-bolts and a lock certified to BS8621 or PAS8621, to allow the residents to secure their own bedroom/possessions.
- Dusk 'til dawn lights, operated by photoelectric cell/daylight sensor, should be installed to all external doors.
- The rear yard should be enclosed with 2100mm high walls or close-boarded timber fencing and a lockable gate. Cycle stores should be sourced from a police preferred supplier (see [Product Category Search](#))

We would highly recommend that all new windows and external doors are security-certified to Secured by Design (SBD) compliant standards and any new glazing is laminated. Please see <https://www.securedbydesign.com/member-companies/accredited-product-search> or contact this unit for further advice