



**Crimeshield**

***Specialist suppliers of security  
products in homes, education,  
leisure and the workplace***



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**Window Security Solutions is dedicated to improving the safety and security of people and premises all over the world.**

The security division of Cardea Solutions, we strive to provide a family of solutions designed to protect and built to last, enabling young and old alike to feel safe and secure in their surroundings.

From our police approved window security shutters to the industry accredited Crimeshield – which is available exclusively through Window Security Solutions, we have cost effective security measures that can prevent stressful and costly break-ins and vandalism.

We provide ethical and honest advice on the best security products for your situation; leaving you in no doubt that you can put your faith and trust in Window Security Solutions to make your environment a safer place.

***Our window security solutions have been installed in a wide variety of places from schools to commercial buildings and homes, preventing vandalism and burglaries across the United Kingdom.***



**A burglary or act of vandalism can be a very upsetting experience, leaving people feeling vulnerable and anxious in their homes, schools and businesses.**

More often than not, the broken windows are replaced and security measures reviewed, with many choosing to install unsightly bars and grilles, which can create an institutional feel to the building.

## WHY CRIMESHIELD?



**With Crimeshield you can prevent window vandalism and keep intruders at bay without compromising the appearance of a building. In most cases the cost of installing Crimeshield is much lower than the cost of repeatedly replacing windows, paying increased insurance premiums and of course the associated operational downtime.**

Discreet and unobtrusive, from the outside, Crimeshield gives the appearance of tinted glass but on closer look it is a visible deterrent to prospective thieves and vandals.

Crimeshield has a perforated steel screen that offers protection from unauthorised access to the property and also protects the glass against blows, rocks or even air gun pellets.

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## CRIMESHIELD

**Crimeshield is an innovative crime prevention solution for all kinds of properties, requiring discreet but durable window protection against vandalism.**

- Crimeshield provides protection for windows against vandalism, through a sturdy, perforated steel screen. It gives the impression of tinted glass from a distance but is a visual deterrent close-up.
- Crimeshield is mounted in front of the glass in windows or doors. The shield can be retro-fitted on to existing windows and looks equally effective mounted in traditional and contemporary frames.
- Crimeshield allows well over 65% of natural light to enter the building, to maintain good visibility indoors.

### APPLICATION

- Crimeshield has been fitted in many locations including offices, warehouses, supermarkets, schools, police stations and shops.
- Each shield is manufactured to customer requirements so can be made to most shapes and sizes and can be fitted on each individual pane of glass, maintaining full usage of opening windows.

### BENEFITS

- Discreet and unobtrusive.
- Provides a tough physical barrier.
- Visual deterrent to vandals and burglars.
- Gives the impression of tinted glass.
- Cost effective alternative to re-glazing.



## TECHNICAL DATA

### BARRIER

2mm thick galvanised steel sheet with a matrix of perforations to provide a 65% free area.

Coating – full polyester external grade sandwich locked into two piece aluminium frame system.

### FRAME

Heavy gauge two-piece aluminium extrusion; mitred, keyed and welded.

Finished in black or white electrostatically applied and baked powder coating – full polyester external grade.

Optional frame colours available with relevant colour reference.

### FIXING

Various options dependent on window type. Most common fixing types are inset mount (between reveals) and face fix direct to window frames, though many other options may be considered.

## Additional Features

- ▶ **Insect screen**
- ▶ **Vibration damper**
- ▶ **Rear cover (where applicable)**
- ▶ **Frame cut outs**

## Installation

All frame sizes are custom made and individual sections fitted to frames where opening window panes are to be retained. Although installation is relatively straightforward, a distributor network is in place with the expertise and experience necessary to perform any type of installation anywhere in the UK.



**Before**

## CASE STUDY



### Crimeshield provides discreet window protection against vandalism at Briscoe Lane Academy School

According to a recent BBC article, more than £1m was spent by councils on repairing vandalism at schools in 2015.

The exterior image that a school or college projects is crucially important to students and their parents. But how do you balance the need for security with the image you need to convey?

## BACKGROUND

Over the last 12 years, Briscoe Lane Academy in Newton Heath, Manchester has suffered from persistent vandalism. The school backs on to woodland and the staff would regularly come into work to find smashed windows and broken glass in their classrooms.

The numerous incidents of vandalism arose at weekends when the Academy was unattended. The school had rusty, damaged, barbed wire fitted to some of their windows but this still didn't deter hooligans from carrying out their reckless acts

of damage. As a quick fix, Briscoe lane fitted a thick, plastic cover to protect the windows from objects being thrown at them. This worked in terms of preventing window damage but it quickly became yellow and looked dreadful.

The students couldn't see outside, there was very little natural light, nor could they open the windows fully to let in fresh air. The school wanted to install new windows but were loath to make a huge financial investment without the benefit of a light, airy environment for the students and staff.



**After**

## THE SOLUTION

**In May 2015, the school commissioned AA Projects to replace all of the windows throughout the school. Alex Speechley, AA's Building Surveyor recommended Crimeshield by Window Security Solutions, the security division of Cardea Solutions.**

He had installed Crimeshield previously at another school and knew that this attractive but secure window grille, would be the perfect solution for protecting the school's windows from the problematic acts of vandalism.

After consultations with Window Security Solutions's site audit team, Briscoe Lane Academy chose to fit Crimeshield to 64 of their windows. The work took place during the summer holidays, whilst the school was closed. Window Security Solutions's installation team fitted 162 Crimeshield grilles in total and the project was completed within four weeks.

Alex was extremely satisfied with the efficient service provided by Window Security Solutions and the quality and value of the Crimeshield products.

## CUSTOMER FEEDBACK

*"Crimeshield looks fantastic! It gives an attractive smoked-glass effect and most importantly staff and pupils feel that they are in a safe, secure environment. Now we can all enjoy the views of the woodlands and the light is fantastic.*

*We would absolutely recommend Crimeshield and Window Security Solutions to any school who need to manage security while maintaining a happy, working environment.*

*The service we received from them from quote to installation was outstanding."*

**Kath Farnley, Site Manager**

*"Our Academy is in an area of high deprivation and has suffered from extensive vandalism in the past. We wanted a product that was as aesthetically pleasing as possible within budgetary constraints. We are very impressed with the end results - it is very subtle.*

*Crimeshield offers the protection you need without looking obtrusive. The level of service we received from Window Security Solutions was excellent. They are a great company to work with and we would definitely consider them for any other suitable projects in future."*

**Debbie Ollerenshaw,  
Briscoe Lane Academy Trust Business Manager**



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