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Designing out street crime



Europe's first ever range of bags and fashion accessories designed to protect owners from becoming the victim of street crime has been launched by the Design Council in London.

BTP's Crime Prevention Officer Inspector Vincent Smith acted as a police expert for the project that was developed by the Central Saint Martins College of Art & Design as part of the Design Council's Design Against Crime project.

Fashion designers Vexed Generation worked with police, self-defence experts and personal safety

organisations to develop the new collection which includes lingerie-style stealth belts and bands for concealing mobiles and other personal valuables, a range of secure bags and a high-security laptop computer case.

The Karrysafe range is now on sale at Selfridges and other outlets across the country.