

# Awareness and Prevention Bulletin

## Issue 6

### Tool Theft in Rural Locations



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## PREVENT CRIME

## PROTECT COMMUNITIES



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### Awareness

There has recently been an increase in theft of power tools from rural locations.

Rural locations, particularly farms and barns, are being targeted and often the locations have inadequate security.

Follow our advice and secure your tools.

Click on the links on the next page for more prevention advice.



### Prevention

Think in layers. - The more layers of security there are the harder it is for the thief and it increases the chances of them being caught.

Lock things together - Lock things together with strong cycle cable locks. This is another layer of security which just makes it harder for thieves.

When possible, lock tools and small items of machinery inside a secure building. Also consider making a robust secure cage to keep tools in.

Record the make and serial number of power tools – Take colour photos of all valuable tools.

Mark or stamp easily removed items with your postcode, followed by the first two letters of your name, or other identifying marks. Alternatively use a forensic property marking system such as Smart Water or Selecta DNA.

## First Principle: Related links

Check out all of our Crime Prevention information using the following links or by using the QR code to take you to the First Principle Pages Alternatively go to our website at <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/> and look in the 1<sup>st</sup> Principle A-Z of Crime Prevention.

[Allotment Security](#)

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### Other Links you might find helpful

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