

Warning following rise in motorbike thefts



We're writing today to warn residents to secure their bikes following a rise in motorbike thefts across the county.

Insecure motorcycles, scooters and mopeds are being targeted by thieves as they are lightweight and can be wheeled away easily.

Since the beginning of June (to 5 July) there has been 63 reported thefts across the county.

Cambridge - 38
East Cambs - 1
Fenland - 5
Huntingdon - 1
Peterborough - 14
South Cambs - 4

We're seeing an increase in mopeds, scooters and motorbikes of all makes and models being taken from driveways, car parks and public places by simply being wheeled away.

Thieves only need a matter of seconds to steal a moped, scooter or motorcycle, especially if they are left with poor security. We're asking people to 'lock, chain and cover'.



Lock

Use a disc lock to help secure the front brake disc.

Chain

Use a chain lock through the back wheel and where possible secure your bike, with the lock, to an immovable object like a ground anchor or street furniture.

Cover

Thieves often 'shop' for particular models. Using a cover instantly makes it less attractive to them.

There are other measures you can take including fitting an alarm, marking parts of the bike to make them difficult for criminals to sell on, keeping your bike in a garage or shed or in a well-lit area with CCTV.

[Further information and advice is available here.](#)

Kind Regards,

Detective Chief Inspector Alan Page

