



BIKE THEFTS

There has been a rise in the thefts of bicycles in the South East area.

- Whenever possible, lock your bike to a permanent fixture. If you must leave it outdoors, park it in a well-lit area.
- Use a steel U-shaped lock and cable, lock your bike to a fixed object, such as a bike rack or street sign, and wind a cable through both tires. Make sure that the bike cannot be lifted over the object, such as over a parking meter.
- Leave as little space as possible within the "U" of the lock to make it harder for thieves to pry it open.
- Keep the lock off the ground to avoid giving the thief leverage to hammer or smash it.
- Position the keyhole of the lock so that it faces the ground. This will inhibit the thief's ability to manipulate the lock.
- Remove the front wheel and lock both the wheel and the frame together with the U-lock if it's a quick-release wheel.
- Take your bike seat with you if it's easily removable and/or expensive.

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