

# PREVENTING MOTORBIKE AND MOPED THEFT

**£3 MILLION WORTH OF MOTORBIKES ARE STOLEN EACH YEAR WITH THE UK.**

**PLEASE TAKE THESE SIMPLE STEPS TO PREVENT YOUR BIKE BEING TAKEN.**



## STORE YOUR BIKE IN A SECURE LOCATION

When at home, store your bike in a secure location such as a garage, storage shed or locked fenced area. Remember that garden sheds are not designed to store high value items. However, they can be made more secure by fitting a shed bar which prevents the door being removed. Shed bars are available for purchase from **Safer York Partnership. Telephone: 01904 669069.**

## ALARMS AND IMMOBILISERS

Fit an approved alarm and immobiliser to your bike. If the thief manages to bypass the alarm, the immobiliser will make it difficult if not impossible to start.

## LOCK YOUR BIKE

Always make sure your bike is secured, even if you're only leaving it for a short period of time. A disc lock might inconvenience joy riders, but determined thieves can simply hoist such a bike into a waiting truck. Preferably add an cable to it and anchor it to something solid.

Using high visibility locks, brightly coloured or heavy duty can also deter thieves from attempting to take your bike. The lock should be attached through the frame.

It's best to use two or more locks of different types. A thief won't necessarily be prepared to tackle two kinds of locks.

Whatever lock you use, don't rest it on the ground where a thief is more likely to be able to get enough leverage to break it.

## ANCHOR WITH CHAINS AND LOCKS

By anchoring your bike to a permanent object such as a ground anchor, you are preventing your bike from being picked up and loaded into a van. Ground anchors and chains are available for purchase from **Safer York Partnership. Telephone: 01904 669069.**

## KEEP IT VISIBLE

Always leave your bike in a well-lit area, preferably covered by CCTV.

## DO NOT ATTRACT THIEVES

Do not leave any valuables or accessories on/in your bike that a thief could easily view.

## MARK IT

Security mark as many parts of your motorcycle as possible, using your postcode or registration number. This will act as a great deterrent for thieves, but will also dramatically increase the likelihood of you getting it back if it is stolen, especially if the number plates are changed by the thief.

