

Incident number 251 of 24th July refers

Between 02:00 and 06:10 hours on Wednesday 27th July unknown offender/s have smashed the window of a Ford Transit motor vehicle parked secure and unattended on Station Road, Alcester. The offender/s have stolen two Armani watches from within. Incident number 111 of 27th July refers



SOMETHING TO SHOUT ABOUT

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

Out Building Security

The first place that many burglars look is in the shed because they are usually of light construction and are easily forced open. Sheds also contain a ready source of tools for breaking into the house. You must try to make the burglar take more time and make more noise.

If you are unable to adequately secure them with mortice locks, use padlocks or lockable bolts. Windows should ideally be secured by window locks. If natural light in the shed is not really required, board up the window from the inside with good quality or external grade plywood and firmly fix with security screws or mushroom headed bolts through the fabric of the shed wall. The same goes for the T hinges often screwed to the surface of the shed door, replace the screws with bolts or security fixings.

Garages are also particularly vulnerable so make sure windows are fitted with locks. All doors should be lockable or secured by padlocks. Where integral doors are used for entry from the garage to the house a simple method of security for up and over doors is to drill a hole in the top channel above the wheels on the door and insert a padlock into the hole. This prevents the wheel moving above the padlock so keeping the door closed during forced entry. Even better drill a hole in each channel and use two padlocks. If there is no internal or secondary door to the garage then the up and over doors can be secured by an outer bracket and floor eyelet welded or bolted to the bottom of the door and secured by a padlock inserted into the floor eyelet. We would also recommend that the tools within the shed are property marked with either your postcode or Smartwater.

Garages are the best place to secure your car at night, if the garage is full of clutter and junk consider buying a shed to store it in and put the car in the garage, the cost of a shed is often cheaper than the excess on your car insurance policy.

If in doubt contact the Community Safety Team based at Stratford Police Station on 01789 414111 ext 4598 or 4540.



BE AWARE

If you have any information or have witnessed the above incidents, please can you contact Alcester Police on 01789 762207. Thank you.

BIDFORD, GREAT ALNE AND LONG MARSTON COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM

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