



BULLETIN 08/06/2023

This bulletin covers the last two weeks of incidents since 24th May 2023. There has been an obvious rise in theft of cable. Please take the appropriate measures to protect machinery, material, especially cable and fuel tanks at your construction site.

Police approved security products can be found at www.securedbydesign.com . Security guidance can also be found here for both businesses and domestic situations. The National Business Crime Centre (NBCC) has also produced the following guidance; [Construction Site Security Guidance \(nbcc.police.uk\)](http://nbcc.police.uk)

FUEL THEFT



This period has seen a slight reduction in fuel thefts, but sites should not become complacent. Please ensure your fuel tanks and machines are adequately protected.

Below are a note of the incidents and where they happened along with their crime report number;

PS-20230524-1845

Haddington

200 litres of red diesel from an insecure fuel tank on a secured Tractor.

PS-20230527-0997

Biggar

150 litres of fuel syphoned from drum and tools and trailer stolen from site.

PS-20230608-0430

Brechin

Fuel stolen from two tractors on farm.



THEFTS AND DAMAGE TO PLANT AND MACHINERY

Theft and damage to plant and machinery can be particularly disruptive and expensive.

Below is details of an incident and where it happened along with the incident number.



PS-20230526-0124

Motherwell

Complainer reporting a company hired an excavator and never paid for the hire, now not returning calls.

PS-20230528-0358

Glasgow

Damage to digger. Covers removed and windows smashed.

PS-20230531-4378

Glasgow

Youths seen on site, throwing fire extinguishers, climbing scaffolding and breaking into a digger.

PS-20230602-2724

Falkirk

Damage to, and fuel stolen from excavator.

PS-20230606-0738

Crieff

Petrol pressure washer and plant (nfd) stolen.

PS-20230606-0552

Johnstone

3 diggers have had windows smashed and a skip set of fire.



PS-20230608-0565

Johnstone

Machine (nfd) at site found to have smashed windows when informant arrived at site.

OTHER THEFTS AND CRIMES



Cable theft remains a UK wide trend, please ensure that sufficient measures are in place to protect this asset.

The other crimes that have been reported in the last two weeks are as follows;

PS-20230528-0867

Glasgow

Male caught on site by Police with cable in his bag.

PS-20230529-1199

Paisley

620M of copper cabling stolen from building site.

PS-20230529-1363

Dunfries

£13k worth of copper cable stolen from site.

PS-20230529-3753

Aberdeen

3 lengths of copper and fixings stolen worth £430 from site.

PS-20230530-1711

Perth

Drums of cabling stolen by 3 males in transit van.



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PS-20230531-4567

Edinburgh

Youths on site that have damaged fencing.

PS-20230528-2192

Huntly

Caller reports alarm activation at locus, some cables taken. Internal security shows two males in transit van (NFD)

PS-20230606-0665

Tranent

Property and mini digger machine damaged at building site.

PS-20230607-2021

Edinburgh

Caller reports that two males on bikes stole a Makita grinder.

PS-20230607-2057

Bothwell

Whacker stolen from outside address, CCTV viewed and suspects could be seen placing item inside vehicle.



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REPORTING

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