

CABLE THEFT

IS ON THE INCREASE

WORKMAN OR THIEF?

IF YOU SEE ANYTHING YOU THINK IS
SUSPICIOUS REPORT IT

HUMBERSIDE POLICE 0845 60 60 222

CRIME STOPPERS 0800 555 111

Metal/Cable thefts

Theft of metal and cable not only cost the economy millions every year, the disruption this type of incident causes impacts on our day to day life. The global rise in the price of metal has led to a massive increase in associated thefts. Particularly common incidents include theft of lead from rooftops, theft on railway lines, BT cables and power lines.

We really need the help of the local community if we are going to stand any chance of catching those responsible.

We would encourage you to ring in with details of any unmarked vehicle near to construction sites, electrical sites and uncovered manholes. BT has had many incidents where thieves remove manhole covers then cut and drag the cable away.

Railways are another common area to be targeted; any personnel working on the network should be in the approved uniform clearly displaying the organisation that they are working for.

Please be aware that most construction and building sites have their hours of work restricted by planning consent; if there is activity on the site outside of these hours then alert the police.

Reports of black or acrid smoke can indicate offenders are burning the sheath off cable. Cable commands a greater price when sold if the sheath is no longer on the cable.

Remember if in doubt ring the police you could be preventing a whole community being without power, telephones and other services not to mention helping us to catch a thief! We will not mind in the least if you report something in good faith, which turns out to be a false alarm.

For an incident in progress ring 999 otherwise contact us on 0845 60 60 222

Many thanks
Sgt Liz Staff, Brigg Neighbourhood Team

