



Crime prevention advice on  
**Allotment security**

## Tips to consider

### Sheds

- Sheds should be kept in a good condition and be located in a visible position.
- Use high quality locks, doors and hinges and ideally block off all windows.
- Use tamper proof screws or drill out screw heads.
- Visibly mark property and record the serial numbers for free on [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com), the police's national property register, to aid recovery of any stolen items.

### Perimeter

- Regularly check all fencing to make sure it's in good condition. Ideally your fence should be 2 metres high and form a solid barrier with no gaps.
- Gates should always be securely locked, and should be of a design that makes climbing difficult.
- Check there are no bins, composters, trees or bushes that can be used for climbing over the fence, and consider planting thorny bushes inside the fence to deter entry.