



**Police & Crime  
Commissioner**  
FOR HERTFORDSHIRE

## **Decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire**

### **Summary**

The Police and Crime Commissioner has agreed to:

- Approve funding for the purchase of 1,000 SelectaDNA kits to support targeted tool-theft prevention across Hertfordshire.
- Enable delivery of a countywide roadshow and awareness campaign, focusing on hotspot areas to engage tradespeople, retailers, and local communities.
- Support neighbourhood policing teams and the Rural Operational Support Team (ROST) in distributing the kits, supported by training resources currently being developed.
- Build on the successful SelectaDNA pilot, which demonstrated that marked equipment has not been stolen or damaged, evidencing strong deterrent value.

This decision strengthens crime-prevention efforts, increases visibility across affected communities, and helps reduce tool theft through a proven, effective marking solution.

### **Recommendation**

To note the decision.

I hereby approve the decision above.

Jonathan Ash Edwards

Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire

Date: 17 March 2026