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## Welcome to Cambridge

Cambridge is a safe and vibrant city in which to live, work and study and I hope you will enjoy a productive and rewarding time whilst with us.

Should you need assistance from the police, there are various ways to get in touch with us. Always call 999 if someone is in immediate danger or a crime is in progress.

If you want to report anything else, such as stolen property, or if you want to provide us with information or intelligence, use our online reporting system <a href="www.cambs.police.uk/report">www.cambs.police.uk/report</a> or speak to one of our online operators. Alternatively, if you would prefer to speak to someone, please call 101.

Our website has a crime prevention section (<u>www.cambs.police.uk/A-to-Z</u>) where you will find advice on keeping yourself, your home and belongings safe.

There are lots of crime prevention measures you can take before you arrive, such as registering your personal property for free (laptops, iPads, cameras and bikes, for example) on www.immobilise.com. Other measures are more common sense, such as locking your doors and windows when you go out.

If you are going to join the ranks of the cyclists around Cambridge, please remember to bring a cycling helmet, set of working lights and two good, robust locks. Be aware of the Highway Code and the rules regarding safe cycling.

We run regular bike marking events via a scheme called Bike Register www.bikeregister.com. These events are run once a month around the city and are advertised on our social media channels. This allows you bikes to be visably marked and recorded on a nationally searchable database. Many colleges also have marking schemes.

Electronic scooters (e-scooters) have increased in popularity in recent years but are still only legal to ride on private land with the landowner's permission or rented as part of a government trial. Cambridge is one of the city's taking part in a trial. All riders should obey the Highway Code, never ride on the pavement, wear a helmet and be vigilant about pedestrians.

Finally, we operate a number of official social media accounts where we communicate important messages. You can follow us on Twitter @CambridgeCops, Facebook – Policing Cambridge City and Instagram @cambscops.

If we don't see you in person this Fresher Week, we're still here if you'd like to talk to us.

I wish you every success with your studies.

Yours sincerely,

PC Alice Bennett City Centre Neighbourhood Team and University Liaison Officer