

## Rural Theft Transcript

Tim Price:

Innovative technology is now playing a major part in protecting farms in the countryside from rural thieves.

The piece of kit that's on the top of the thieves' wish list is the quad bike.

One Welsh farmer has become so fed up with repeated quad bike theft that he has come up with his own security device.

Gareth Davies:

The idea of the quad device is that you can just lock it up in seconds, there's no need to leave it lying about.

You haven't got to put it back in a container and chain it up, and it's covered in muck.

It's simple, and as difficult as possible for the thief.

Tim Price:

It's not just machinery that's been taken from farms.

Over the years, we've seen a steady increase in the cost of livestock theft.

Again, innovation is playing its part here.

John Minary:

TecTracer is a new innovation which puts thousands of coded micro dots into the fleece of a sheep.

TecTracer is applied to the sheep in sheep paint, and the codes on the micro dots are collated onto a database which provides the irrefutable evidence of ownership.