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Police are urging drivers to lock it or lose it after a number of attempted break-ins and thefts from vehicles in Amber Valley. Sometime between 11pm on Saturday, May 2 and 3am on Sunday, May 3, cash and keys were taken from inside a van parked in Williamson Gardens in Langley Mill (CR/18514/15).

The passenger window of a vehicle parked on Valley View Road in Riddings was smashed sometime between 9.30pm on Thursday, April 30 and 5.45am on Friday, May 1, before money was taken from within (CR/18121/15).

Sometime between 10.30pm on Wednesday April 29 and 7.25am on Thursday, April 30, money was stolen from inside a vehicle parked on Maidwell Close in Belper (CR/17956/15).

Thieves prised a fuse box underneath the steering wheel of a van on Danesby Rise in Denby open, before taking fuel, oil and a torch from inside. The incident happened sometime between 6pm on Sunday, April 26 and 5.30am on Monday, April 27 (CR/18031/15).

Officers have also received reports in recent weeks of attempted vehicles break-ins on Lockton Avenue in Heanor and The Pemberton, Broadmeadows in South Normanton.

To help deter thieves, drivers are being urged to:

- Ensure that any valuables are left out of view from passers-by, or removed completely where possible;
- Wipe away any sucker marks left by sat-navs or mobile phone holders as this can also help to prevent a vehicle from being targeted;
- Park in a well-lit, overlooked area and use a garage if possible;
- Report any suspicious incidents to police by calling 101.

Residents who may have any details about the crimes above are being urged to contact police on 101, quoting the crime reference numbers stated.

To find out more about vehicle safety visit: <http://www.derbyshire.police.uk/Safety-advice/Road-Safety/Vehicle-Safety.aspx>

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