



As the Chief Constable of Suffolk, I wanted to take this opportunity to update the Public about 'Suffolk SAFEKey', the Constabulary key-fob recovery and key-holder database service.

Every year the Constabulary is handed thousands of lost keys that, despite our best efforts, cannot be reunited with their rightful owner. Suffolk Constabulary is well aware of the cost and concern resulting from the loss of keys.

Suffolk SAFEKey means that the Constabulary can reunite people with their lost or stolen keys, regardless of where the keys are lost in the UK or the rest of the EU.

The cost of replacing the average set of keys on a fob can be £500. Thanks to Suffolk SAFEKey the Constabulary has saved members £1,000's in costs that would have otherwise been incurred as a result of the need for replacement keys and locks.

In the last 12 months over 2,000 new members have joined Suffolk SAFEKey, and are now benefitting from the protection and assistance should they lose their keys?

To help better explain the service, and the benefits of joining the scheme, you may wish to follow this link and view a brief video of me talking about Suffolk SAFEKey: <http://ow.ly/xz5EV>.

Suffolk SAFEKey is also benefitting Suffolk's local communities, as money generated from the scheme supports community projects through the Constabulary's charity, the 'Safer Suffolk Foundation'. Over £150,000 has now been given to Suffolk based grass-roots projects and schemes, that seek to improve the quality of life for those living and working in Suffolk.

From as little as £1 a month Suffolk SAFEKey offers benefits including:

- Suffolk SAFEKey branded key-fob, with Constabulary crest and unique reference number, to help ensure that your keys are returned to you if lost
- Service that operates across UK and rest of the EU
- £10 reward to the finder of your keys courtesy of Suffolk SAFEKey
- Secure database letting the police know whom to call in the event of an incident at your unattended property

It takes just minutes to join Suffolk SAFEKey online at [www.suffolk.safekey.org.uk](http://www.suffolk.safekey.org.uk) or call the Suffolk SAFEKey hotline 0844 412 1802 .

As a Suffolk SAFEKey member myself, I look forward to welcoming you to the scheme.

Yours sincerely,  
Doug Douglas Paxton, *Chief Constable*