CamHCT Draft Press Release

The following draft should help you gain publicity, both for your need for an alarm and for Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust. The text in italics can be modified for your own church.

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Southoe church roof was recently fitted with an alarm with the aid of a grant of £1,000 and an interest-free loan of £3,000 from Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust (CamHCT).

Alarms are the only proven deterrent to protect against metal theft; they are designed to be virtually invisible and can detect and deter intruders before any damage is caused. Without them, the insurance pay-out in the event of a theft is drastically reduced.

CamHCT offers grants and loans to help congregations look after their historic places of worship. Its main source of income after membership is the annual "Ride and Stride". Each September sponsored cyclists, motorists and walkers visit churches, chapels, and colleges throughout Cambridgeshire, sharing the money raised between the Trust and their local church.

Details of the Trust's work can be found at <u>www.camhct.uk</u>