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Canaries stolen from pub garden

Police are appealing for information after 25 canaries were stolen from a pub garden aviary in Paglesham.



Thieves took the birds from the garden of the Plough and Sail pub on Paglesham Road overnight between Friday, July 7 and Saturday, July 8, 2012.

They used bolt croppers, or a similar tool, to cut the wire of the aviary.

Investigating officer Pc Diane Nash said: "The owner is very upset as he hand reared the birds. They are quite tame and are used to being very well cared for and having lots of room to fly about.

"He told me that if they were set free they would just die in the wild as they are not able to fend for themselves."

Anyone with any information about this crime or who knows where the canaries should contact Pc Nash at the Area Investigation team at Rayleigh on 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Pc Nash added: "Paglesham is a very small close knit community with very little crime. The pub is the hub of the village and the local people are very concerned, so I would urge anyone with information to contact me."

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