

£30,000 Cannabis cultivation seized in Leith this weekend

✘ Police in Edinburgh have seized cannabis worth an estimated £30,000 following a raid on a flat in the Leith area of the Capital.

Approximately 100 plants were discovered in the raid on the property in Papermill Wynd, which took place yesterday.

Two men, aged 33 and 35, have been arrested and charged in connection with the seizure, and are due to appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court tomorrow.

Detective Chief Inspector Keith Hardie, from Lothian and Borders Police, said: “We are committed to tackling the scourge of drugs in our local communities, and we will always act on any intelligence we receive regarding potential cannabis cultivations.

“Not only do such operations fund serious and organised criminality which impacts directly on local communities, they also carry a very serious fire hazard, putting neighbouring properties at risk.

“At this time we would ask people to be vigilant, and if you have any suspicions that a property in your community is being used for the purposes of growing cannabis, then you should notify police immediately.

“Tell-tale signs include permanently covered windows, either with foil or bin bags, noise from fans and heaters, and empty compost or fertiliser bags in the garden. There may also be visitors arriving at the property at unusual hours.

“Anyone who has any suspicions should contact Lothian and Borders Police on 0131 311 3131, or Crimestoppers in

confidence and anonymity on 0800 555 111.”

Correction :- LBP issued a correction to this release which previously stated that £300,000 of cannabis had been found.