Hamilton and Inches robbery, renewed appeal

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Police in Edinburgh are today revisiting the key areas connected to last week's armed robbery at the Hamilton and Inches jewellery store.

Three men dressed in dark clothing and carrying bladed weapons entered the shop at around 11.40am on Friday 6th June and smashed a number of display cabinets before making off in a white BMW with over £1 million worth of jewellery.

The car was later found abandoned in Gloucester Lane and detectives believe the suspects entered a dark-coloured medium to large sized car and fled the area.

An inventory of all of the stolen items continues to be undertaken, but it has now been confirmed that eight Patek Phillipe watches ranging from £22,000 to £66,000 were stolen during the incident.

As part of Police Scotland's ongoing investigation, officers will be out on high-visibility patrols in the George Street, Frederick Street, North Castle Street and Gloucester Lane to engage with the public and gather information from anyone who was in these areas at the same time last week and may have witnessed anything suspicious.

Detective Inspector Carol Craig said: "So far, the response and assistance from the public has been fantastic and we continue to progress a number of lines of enquiry.

"However, we have yet to receive that vital piece of information that will lead to tracing those responsible for this robbery and recovering the stolen jewellery.

"Police will have a large presence in a number of streets linked to the investigation and we would urge any members of the public who were in these areas last Friday during the times around the incident to speak with officers if they have information that can assist with our enquiries.

"Alternatively, you can make an anonymous report via the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."