

Operation Wolf officers recover valuable ring



Police in Edinburgh have recovered a valuable gold ring as part of the ongoing Operation Wolf.

On the 1st May, a 73-year-old man was within the Western General hospital and was washing his hands in a restroom.

During this time he removed his 18ct gold signet ring, which was etched with his family crest. He then left the building, forgetting to collect his ring.

After returning a short time later the victim found that the item had been stolen and contacted police.

Officers from the Search and Recovery Team carried out local enquiries and engaged with second-hand retailers in the nearby area and were contacted by one of these stores in Saturday 24th May after the ring was brought in for sale.

Police are now following a positive line of enquiry to identify those responsible for this theft.

The ring has since been returned to its rightful owner.

Superintendent Matt Richards said: "This ring was made by the victim's brother and while it is worth a significant sum of money, it is of greater sentimental value.

"As a result of Operation Wolf activities carried out by the SART, police in Edinburgh were able recover the item from a second-hand store and are actively hunting for the thieves.

"I would like to thank all of the retail premises we work alongside for their continued support in tackling acquisitive

crime.

“Operation Wolf continues to address the crimes and issues affecting our various local communities and will relentlessly pursue those responsible for these offences.”