

# Spate of thefts from sheds in capital



Police are issuing a security warning following a series of thefts from sheds in the South West of the city.

There were a number of incidents today when there were attempts to break into sheds in the early hours of the morning.

Around 1.30am the occupier of a property in Parkhead Loan disturbed two people attempting to break into a shed in the garden. Around 3.10am a shed was broken into at a property in Broomhouse Crescent and a 36 year old man and a 30 year old man have been arrested and charged with housebreaking.

In the past few months, there have also been a number of reported incidents of sheds being broken into in the Polwarth, Hutchison, Colinton Mains, Redhall, Baberton Mains and Colinton areas.

Inspector Liz Duthie said: "I'd like to remind those who live in the south west of the city to take simple security precautions to safeguard their homes and deter criminal activity.

"All sheds and outbuildings should be locked and secured when not in use and where possible, alarms and motion-triggered lighting should be considered.

"Anyone wishing more advice on crime prevention can contact their local policing team."

Those with information on these crimes can contact Police Scotland on 101 or alternatively, the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.