More housebreakings solved by dedicated team

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Edinburgh's dedicated housebreaking officers have solved a number of housebreaking and acquisitive crime offences, which took place between January and May this year.

As part of Operation RAC police had been investigating a break-in to the Chinese Supermarket on Gorgie Road from the 23rd January, where a quantity of cash was stolen from within.

Following extensive CCTV enquiries a 42-year-old man was identified and was charged yesterday (Wednesday).

He will appear in court at a later date.

Officers had also been investigating a housebreaking at a home in Muirhouse Green on the 7th March, where various electrical items and a SAAB car were stolen.

Later that day the same vehicle was found in Restalrig Crescent and as a result of continued investigation a 26-yearold man was detained yesterday and was subsequently charged.

Between the 10th and 11th May three vehicles in Silverknowes were broken into and two other incidents were reported of a male acting suspiciously around a couple of homes.

Operation RAC enquiries led to a 48-year-old man being arrested and charged yesterday. He is due to appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court today (Thursday).

Chief Superintendent Mark Williams, Divisional Commander for the City of Edinburgh said: "There is no let up in our efforts to arrest housebreakers. "It is our top priority and my officers will be relentless in our pursuit of criminals."