

Police enforcement activity continues with three more arrests



Operation RAC's dedicated housebreaking officers have arrested three more people as enforcement activity continues within the city.

The occupants of a house in Denholm Green Avenue were awoken at around 2.10am on Tuesday 26th May and found that an attempt had been made to break into the property.

Nothing had been taken from within, however, the garden shed had been entered and various items were stolen.

A short time later a second property in Clark Road was subject to an attempted break-in and police responded quickly to the area along with Police Dog Keach.

PD Keach then traced the males to a nearby garden and both were detained.

A 14-year-old will now be reported to the Procurator Fiscal in connection with both incidents while a 25-year-old man has also been charged for these offences in addition to another housebreaking, which happened at an address in Crewe Crescent on Monday 25th May.

A third man was also arrested following a housebreaking, which took place sometime between 26th and 27th April at an address in Montpellier.

Two laptops and a sum of cash were taken during this break-in and officers had been investigating as part of Operation RAC.

One of the laptops was loaded with tracking software and initialised yesterday when the device was connected to the Internet.

As a result, Community Investigation Unit officers detained a 42-year-old man in Broomhouse Grove yesterday evening.

He was subsequently charged and will appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court today.

Chief Superintendent Mark Williams, Divisional Commander for the City of Edinburgh said: "In addition to our dedicated housebreaking teams, specialist resources such as the Dog Unit are regularly used to target and arrest these criminals.

"I want to make it clear to the public that tackling housebreaking is our top priority and we are arresting housebreakers every day as a result of our efforts. We won't stop our relentless pursuit of those responsible.

"Remember that you can help prevent housebreaking by appropriately securing your homes, outbuildings and businesses at all times. More information on crime prevention is available at www.scotland.police.uk."