

Man arrested following spate of housebreakings in West End



A 28-year-old man has been arrested following a spate of housebreaking in the west end of Edinburgh.

Between June and August a number of break-ins were reported to police and dedicated housebreaking officers have since been investigating each of these incidents.

A search of an address in Morrison Crescent was carried out on 29th July and various items of stolen property were recovered from within.

A 28-year-old man was subsequently detained on Wednesday 6th August and interviewed in connection with seven thefts following break-ins to properties in Gardiners Crescent, Upper Grove Place, Dalry Road and Torphichen Street.

He was charged with each of these crimes as well as two other housebreaking-related offences in Lothian Road and Morrison Street.

The man is scheduled to appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court today.

Superintendent Alan Porte said: "This is yet another excellent arrest for a spate of offences and once again demonstrates our commitment to tackling housebreaking.

"Every report of acquisitive crime is treated with the utmost seriousness and is investigated thoroughly by our officers to bring those responsible to justice.

"In addition to our continued enforcement activity we remain keen to promote crime prevention and I would urge all home and

business owners to visit our website at www.scotland.police.uk for vital information on safeguarding your property.”