

Witness appeal following 'crime spree' in Peebles



Police are appealing for witnesses following a number of incidents in Peebles.

Sometime between 9 p.m. on Wednesday and 11.40 a.m. yesterday an office within the Glentress Hotel was broken into and attempt was also made to enter the restaurant area. Local officers are now working with the hotel's management to establish what has been taken during this break-in.

Two attempted housebreakings were also reported at a home in The Bridges and the Esso garage on Innerleithen Road.

Both took place between midnight and 12.30 a.m. on the 17th March, but on both occasions no entry was gained and nothing was stolen.

A member of the public then reported the theft of number plates, which were removed from his car sometime overnight between Wednesday/Thursday while the vehicle was parked outside an address in March Street.

Police are currently investigating whether all of these incidents are linked and anyone with information is asked to come forward.

Constable Andy Loughlin from Galashiels Police Station said: "Given the close proximity of each location and the time period all of the offences occurred, we are looking to establish if the same individuals are responsible.

"I would ask that anyone who remembers seeing anything suspicious in any of these areas between 16th and 17th March contacts police immediately.

“In addition, anyone with any further information that can assist with our ongoing inquiries should also get in touch.”

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