Detectives investigate after man exposes himself to two women in West Lothian

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A police investigation is underway after two women were exposed to in Livingston and Mid Calder and officers are trying to establish whether the crimes are linked.

Both victims were women in their 20s and detectives have appealed for any witnesses to come forward.

The first incident took place around 6.50am on Wednesday as a 28-year-old woman was walking her dog along the B8046 in Mid Calder. A man started talking to the woman and exposed himself to her before she left the area and reported the matter to the police.

The suspect is described as white and in his late 20 to early 30s, 6ft with short dark, hair and dark-rimmed glasses. He spoke with a foreign accent but had good English.

The second incident took place around 4pm on Sunday, when a 21-year-old woman was waiting in her car at temporary traffic lights on Murieston Road East in Livingston. She saw a man emerge from woods nearby and walk closer to her car before exposing himself.

The suspect in that case is described as white, in his 20s to early 30s, 6ft with a slim build, a slim face and short lightcoloured facial hair.

He was wearing a black beanie woollen hat a black jacket, grey baggy waterproof trousers and light grey mountaineering shoes with red laces. Detective Constable Iain Duncan from Livingston CID said: "At this time we are investigating whether both of these crimes are linked and so anyone who can assist with our inquiries is asked to come forward.

"Neither victim was harmed or threatened during either incidents but we treat all crimes of indecency very seriously.

"Anyone who say anything suspicious on or around the B8046 on Wednesday morning, or on Murieston Road East on Sunday afternoon or may know who the suspects are should contact police immediately."

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