

Witness appeal following suspicious fires in Prestonpans



Police are appealing for witnesses following two suspicious fires in Prestonpans which took place during the late evening of Tuesday 11th October.

Officers first received a report of a bus shelter on fire at the West End of the High Street at around 9.40pm before also being contacted at 11pm in relation to rubbish set alight on a grassy area next to the garages in Summerlee.

No one was injured during either fire and officers are now investigating whether these are linked to recent wheelie bin fires in the area. Anyone with information is asked to come forward.

Sergeant Derek MacDonald from Prestonpans Police Station said, "These reckless acts of stupidity have resulted in significant damage to a bus shelter and to the grass at Summerlee, but the consequences could have been far worse had the fires taken hold and spread to nearby buildings or vehicles.

"I would ask anyone who remembers seeing any suspicious activity in these areas, or who can help us identify those responsible, to contact police immediately."

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