

Witness appeal following two housebreakings in Musselburgh



Police are appealing for witnesses following two recent housebreakings in Musselburgh.

The owners of a property in Stoneybank Road had left for a holiday on Wednesday 22nd February and returned on Wednesday 1st March to find their home had been entered and various items including jewellery, electrical goods and a key to their vehicle had been stolen from within.

Officers are now urging anyone who remembers seeing any suspicious activity in the Stoneybank Road area between 22nd February and 1st March to come forward.

In addition, police are also investigating another incident at an address in Clayknowes Court.

Officers responded to a report of a break-in that took place around 7 p.m. on Thursday 2nd March, however, it appears nothing was stolen from inside.

Inspector Andrew Harborow from Tranent Police Station said: "At this time we are conducting inquiries to establish if both of these housebreakings are linked and I would ask anyone with information in relation to either incident to get in touch."

"We would also urge East Lothian's local residents to ensure they have appropriate security measures in place at their homes. This includes keeping windows and doors locked when you go to bed or leave the property unoccupied and making sure door keys are not kept in sight. Where possible, householders should also consider alarms and motion-sensitive lighting.

"Similarly, we would also request that the public report any

suspicious activity they observe around a friends, family members or neighbour's property to police immediately so that we can respond and either deter a housebreaking from taking place, or apprehend those responsible swiftly."

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