

Police seek help to trace family of man who died in Midlothian



Police are appealing for the public's help as part of their efforts to trace the family of a man who died in Midlothian.

The body was found in a wooded area on the Bush Estate in Roslin on 9th December 2016.

There are no suspicious circumstances surrounding the death and a report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Police inquiries have established that the man was known as Eduardo or Edvardhs Silda (pictured), aged 27.

Mr Silda is described as being around 5ft 3ins tall, of stocky build, and is believed to have originally been from either Spain or Portugal.

When he died, Mr Silda was wearing grey jogging bottoms, a black t-shirt, a blue and white cardigan and black trainers.

He had three lighters, cigarette papers and a Ventolin inhaler in his possession.

Mr Silda is known to have spent time in Hull in May 2016, Sussex in August 2016 and London in October 2016.

He is believed to have travelled through Wolverhampton in late November or early December of 2016.

Detective Sergeant Ian Campbell of Police Scotland's Lothians & Scottish Borders Division said:

"Since Mr Silda's death we've been conducting enquiries across

the UK and liaising with our colleagues in international agencies as part of our efforts to trace his family.

“We’re now appealing for the public’s help to identify Mr Silda’s next of kin and would urge anyone who recognises him, or has any information which may be relevant to our enquiries, to contact us.”

Anyone with information who is calling from the UK can contact Police Scotland via 101, quoting incident number 0686 of 9th December 2016.

Anyone outside the UK with information can contact Police Scotland on +44 (0)1786 289070.

Information on how to contact us can also be found in the ‘Contact Us’ section of our website.