

Two men charged in connection with spate of housebreakings in capital



Two men have been charged in connection with a number of housebreakings, thefts and attempted housebreakings in the city.

The incidents took place at 18 properties in the city centre, New Town, Newington and Broughton areas between the 23rd August and 26th September 2017.

The properties included houses, flats and business premises and it's estimated that tens of thousands of pounds worth of items were stolen during these incidents.

A 22-year-old man has been charged in connection with 18 of these incidents and a 24-year-old man has been charged in connection with 10.

Detective Sergeant Peter Grady of Edinburgh's Community Investigation Unit said: "We've conducted extensive enquiries into these incidents, including the use of forensics and our Search & Recovery Team to trace the stolen items, and two men have now been charged.

"Having your home or business broken into can be an extremely distressing experience and we remain committed to using all the resources at our disposal to bring perpetrators of such crimes before the courts.

"Always ensure that your property is kept appropriately secured and please call us on 101 if you see any suspicious behaviour in your community, always dialling 999 if you see a

crime in progress.”

A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.