

# Man charged following Edinburgh robberies



A 25-year-old man has been charged in connection with two armed robberies in the Newington and Southside areas of the city.

The incidents took place shortly after 1am and 1.30am on Sunday 17 March in the Sciennes House Place and Drummond Street areas.

The female victims, aged 20 and 22-years-old were threatened by two men and had a number of personal items stolen.

The man is due to appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court today (Wednesday 20 March).

Detective Sergeant Mark Lumsden from Gayfield CID said: "These were distressing incidents for the victims and we thank them for their support during our investigation. "Our inquiries are ongoing and we are currently following a positive line of enquiry to trace a second man believed to be involved.

"These incidents were investigated under Operation Arable and

we remain committed to reducing violent crime in the capital.”