Three teenagers arrested in connection with car thefts in north of city



Three teenagers have been arrested in connection with the theft of two vehicles and road traffic offences in the north of the city.

At around 8.25pm on Tuesday 18th June, a report was received of suspicious behaviour in the Pilton area.

Officers attended and two vehicles, a Suzuki Swift and a Citroen C3, fled the scene, resulting in a short pursuit that stopped the Suzuki on Queensferry Road. The Citroen was found abandoned in the Clermiston area a short time later.

The Suzuki was found to have been stolen from an address in the Longstone area of the city on Friday 14th June, with the Citroen C3 stolen from West Pilton Park on Monday 17th June.

Two 16-year-old boys and a 17-year-old boy have been arrested and charged in connection with the incidents.

Detective Inspector Bob Campbell from the Community Investigation Unit said: "As a result of the swift action by officers the teenagers have been arrested and are due to appear in court in connection with these incidents.

"I'd like to thank the public and local community for their vigilance and assistance with our investigation."

Community Inspector Jonny Elliot from Drylaw Police Station said: "We understand that vehicle crime and associated disorder is a concern for the local community and we continue to utilise the support of local and national specialist resources to identify and trace those involved in this sort of criminality."