

# **Police warning after number of thefts of vehicles in West Lothian**

**Police officers in West Lothian are asking residents to be vigilant following a number of thefts of vehicles in the area.**

Between Wednesday, 30 October, and Thursday, 7 November, 2024 officers have received reports of six vehicles having been stolen from Livingston, Bathgate, Broxburn and Whitburn. It is believed that each of these vehicles were targets of keyless thefts.

Detective Sergeant John Irvine said: "We have officers investigating these thefts with the priority of detecting crime and disrupting this criminal activity.

"We urge all vehicle owners to be aware and take extra precautions to combat this type of criminal activity including not keeping keys or fobs near doors or windows and buying a signal blocking pouch that can block the transmission of the signal from the key.

"Steering locks can also be effective while vehicle trackers and tracking devices are also a form of additional security and can assist police in recovering stolen vehicles quickly.

"Anyone with information about these thefts should contact officers via 101 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111."