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There were two distraction burglaries in the Burnham-on-Sea area on Sunday 30 June. Please make any elderly or vulnerable friends, relatives and neighbours aware of these offences, as there have also been incidents in the Filton area of South Glos.

A male and two females have entered the home of an elderly resident in Berrow Road and approximately 2.30pm. They have said that they would make the victim a cup of tea while walking around the property, entering every room. At this time it is unknown if anything was stolen. If you contact the Police about this incident, please quote Reference number: 5219147604

A health worker has reported that a female and two males have run out of a home in Poplar Road when she arrived to care for an elderly resident at approximately 4pm. It is thought that they could have been looking for things of value at the location. If you contact the Police about this incident, please quote Reference number: 5219147744

This may be related to an incident on Saturday 15 June, when a vulnerable resident of Friars Way was befriended by a male who has gone into the victim's home to have a cup of tea. When the male left it was found that an amount of cash had been stolen from the bureau. If you contact the Police about this incident, please quote Reference number: 5219134037

We want to remind homeowners to always use a door chain when answering the door to unexpected callers. Always ensure that any other doors and windows are closed and locked before opening the door. Be especially wary if there are more than one person, as it is easy for one offender to

talk to you or ask to be shown other parts of the property, leaving the other visitor alone. Asking to use the toilet or wanting a drink is another way of distracting the resident into leaving one of the callers on their own.

If you have any information regarding these incidents, contact the Police on 101. Alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111

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