

# Man convicted of rape and culpable homicide sentenced

✘ A 20-year-old man who was convicted of the culpable homicide of a 63-year-old woman in Edinburgh has been sentenced.

Jay Soso subjected Marie Reid to a serious sexual assault that led to her death at her home in Easter Drylaw Way in November 2010.

He pleaded guilty to rape and culpable homicide at the High Court in Glasgow in June, and appeared for sentence at the High Court in Edinburgh today (Tuesday) where he was sentenced to 12 years and 8 months imprisonment, with a five-year extended sentence.

Chief Inspector Matt Richards from Lothian and Borders Police, who led the investigation into Marie Reid's death, said: "This was a harrowing case, not least for the family of Marie Reid, who suffered huge distress as the full circumstances of the crime committed by Jay Soso became apparent.

"Marie was a seriously ill lady who was attacked in her own home by someone she knew and trusted, and we recognise the alarm this case has caused in the local community.

"It is important to stress that this was an isolated incident, the circumstances of which were unique, and that crimes of this nature are extremely rare.

"I hope that the sentence that has been passed today will allow Marie Reid's family some final closure, and I would like to pay tribute to them for their courage and assistance throughout the course of the police investigation into her death."