

# Serious Assault in Dumbiedykes

❌ Lothian and Borders Police are appealing for witnesses following a racially motivated serious assault in Edinburgh which happened around midnight this morning in Dumbiedykes Road.

A 50-year-old man was walking home when a male grabbed him before striking him over the head with a bottle several times. The victim then fell to the ground and the suspect made off from the area. After being assisted by a member of the public, the man made his way home before contacting police and attending at hospital where he continues to be treated for a serious facial injury and an injured hand.

Detectives are now keen to speak with anyone who can assist with their enquiries into this assault.

The suspect is described as, around 5ft 5ins tall with a thin build and wearing a hooded jacket with a hood over his face.

DC Fiona McEwan said:- “This appears to be a random and entirely unprovoked assault and we are currently treating the attack as racially motivated.

“The victim is currently in hospital receiving treatment for his injuries and we are appealing for anyone who was in the area around midnight this morning and remembers seeing anything suspicious to come forward. In particular, we would like to trace the man who came to his aid following the assault and would ask this individual to contact police.

“Similarly though, anyone with any other information that can assist officers with this investigation is also asked to get in touch.”

Anyone with any information can contact Lothian and Borders Police on 0131 311 3131, or the charity Crimestoppers in confidence and complete anonymity on 0800 555 111.