Police seek witnesses to North Bridge incident

Lothian and Borders Police are appealing for witnesses after a traffic cone, which was thrown from North Bridge, struck a vehicle in the early hours of New Year's Day 1 January 2013.

The cone was thrown from the bridge and smashed the windscreen of a private hire vehicle in Market Street around 4.55am. The male driver was in the car at the time, but escaped injury.

Inquiries are ongoing to identify whoever was responsible, with CCTV being sourced from the surrounding area.

There is no description of the suspect available.

Constable Seona Fleming said: "This is a very serious incident as the driver of the private hire vehicle had a very lucky escape — he could have been very seriously injured as a result of this.

"There would still have been a lot of people out and about shortly before 5am on New Year's Day as they made their way home from Hogmanay celebrations, so we are keen to hear from anyone who may have been on North Bridge, and who saw what happened, to contact us on 0131 311 3131."

Anyone with any information should contact Lothian and Borders Police on 0131 311 3131, or the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.