

# Police seek witnesses following assault on blind woman

Police in Edinburgh are appealing for witnesses after a blind woman was assaulted last week.

The 48-year-old was walking in Hutchison Crossway at around 2.30pm on Saturday 1 June 2013 when she heard a group of youths behind her.

At this time the victim heard one of the group making an offensive remark about her disability before she was struck to the back and fell to the ground.



A member of the public came to the victims aid and she returned home then contacted police the following day.

Officers have since been conducting local enquiries to identify those responsible and are now keen to hear from anyone who can assist with their investigation.

A Police Scotland spokesman said:- "This was a cowardly assault on a defenceless woman who was unable to identify her attacker.

"As such, we would ask anyone who was in the area on Saturday afternoon and remembers seeing anything suspicious to contact police immediately.

"Similarly, anyone with more information that can help officers with their enquiries is also asked to come forward."

Those with information can contact Police Scotland 101 or alternatively, the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.