

Police appeal for information in Seafield baby case

Discovery of human remains, Edinburgh – appeal for witnesses

Police investigating the discovery of the remains of a baby in Edinburgh are appealing to the public for information that can assist their inquiries.

The remains were discovered in undergrowth around 5pm yesterday Sunday 29 July 2013, by a member of the public who was walking his dog in Restalrig Path, close to Seafield Cemetery.

Inquiries are underway in order to identify the remains and establish how they came to be located in the area, which has been cordoned off while forensic and other inquiries take place at the scene.

In addition to the activity at the scene, officers are carrying out inquiries in the local community to gather further information.

Detective Chief Inspector David McLaren, from Police Scotland, said:-“Our investigation to establish the identity of the baby and how it came to be on Restalrig Path is at a very early stage.

“However regardless of the circumstances surrounding this baby’s death there is clearly a mother out there who may be in need of either medical attention or emotional support.

“Our priority at this time is to locate her and provide her with all the help and support we can. If the mother reads this appeal then I would urge her to get in touch, and I want to reassure her that we have her welfare at heart.

“In addition, I would urge anyone who has used Restalrig Path

in the last few days or weeks, who has seen something suspicious or unusual that may assist our investigation, to contact us.”

Anyone with information should contact Police Scotland on 101, or make an anonymous report through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.