

Police appeal for witnesses to armed robbery in Joppa

Police in Edinburgh are appealing for witnesses following an armed robbery at a newsagent's in the Joppa area of the city yesterday.

The incident happened at around 2.45pm when a man armed with a knife entered the newsagent's on Joppa Road and threatened staff before making off with a three figure sum of cash and goods from the shop.

The suspect is described as male, white, aged between 40-50, and was wearing a black beanie style hat with white writing or logo on the front, a black 3/4 length jacket and black trousers.

Detective Constable Simon Berwick said: "This was a frightening experience for the shop worker involved who was left understandably shaken as a result of this incident.

"I would ask anyone who recognises the description of the suspect or who saw anything suspicious in the area around the time of the robbery to contact us immediately."

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