

Witness appeal following racially motivated attack



Police appealing for witnesses following a racially-motivated serious assault which took place around 5.10pm yesterday in Cargil Terrace.

A 38-year-old man, who is originally from Zimbabwe, was driving his car on Granton Road when a group of men within another vehicle began shouting racist remarks towards him.

Both vehicles then travelled in the same direction into Cargil Terrace where the altercation continued, resulting in the victim being physically assaulted in the street.

The suspects made off and an ambulance was contacted for the man, who suffered a serious facial injury during the attack.

Police Scotland received an excellent response from the public in the area at the time of the incident and are keen for any additional witnesses to come forward and assist with their enquiries.

The males are all described as being white, late teens to mid-twenties and wearing jeans and casual clothing.

Detective Sergeant Mike Leask said: "The victim was first subjected to verbal abuse before being attacked and sustaining serious facial injuries.

"I would like to thank the witnesses that have assisted police with our enquiries and would urge any additional members of the public who witnessed the assault to contact police immediately and help us trace those responsible.

"In addition, anyone with any further information relevant to

this investigation is also asked to get in touch.”

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