

Police hunt two men after Lasswade Road robbery



Police in Edinburgh are appealing for witnesses following a robbery at the premises of Lasswade News Plus in the city's Lasswade Road on Monday evening.

The incident happened around 4.35pm when two men armed with knives entered the shop and threatened the shop assistant, prior to making off with a three-figure sum of money and a bottle of alcohol.

The men made off on foot southwards from the shop before turning left into Yewlands Gardens in the direction of the walkway to Malbet Park, where they were lost to sight.

Both men are described as being white and between 20 and 30 years old. One was wearing a blue/white hooded top, and was of medium build. The second man, is described as 5ft 5in tall, slim to medium build, wearing a grey hooded top.

Both males spoke with a local accent.

Detective Sergeant Graham Grant, who is in charge of the investigation, said: "This was a violent robbery which traumatised the shopkeeper and it is imperative that we catch these men as soon as possible.

"I am appealing to anyone who witnessed the robbery, or who saw these men in the vicinity around this time, to contact Police Scotland on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."