Chemist robbed in Livingston

Police are appealing for information after a chemist was robbed on Saturday morning.

Enquiries are underway after a man armed with a small bladed object entered the Ladywell Pharmacy in Fernbank, Livingston, at around 10.10am.

No one was injured in the incident but the man removed packets of controlled drugs from a cabinet and stole some cash from the till before fleeing.

It is understood he walked across the car park outside the chemist and headed westwards towards Cloverbank.

A Police Scotland spokesman said: "This was a terrifying experience for the staff inside the pharmacy and our officers have been making extensive enquiries in the area to find the man responsible.

"The fact that a significant amount of medicine has been stolen and is in the wrong hands is an obvious concern, and we would urge anyone with any information that might help our investigations to get in touch immediately."

The suspect is described as being white, in his mid thirties, around 5ft 7in and of heavy build. He spoke with a Scottish accent and had short, dark brown hair.

The man was wearing a dark green baseball cap, a white homemade balaclava, light blue medical disposable gloves, a plain dark green army style padded jacket with a full-lenth zip and folded over collar, and black tracksuit bottoms with a large thick red band down the sides. He was also wearing dark trainers with a white trim sole.

The spokesman added: "Anyone who saw anything suspicious in the Fernbank area of Livingston this morning should contact Police Scotland on 101 or, alternatively, the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."