

Witness appeal following Holyrood Park robbery



Police Scotland officers in Edinburgh are appealing for witnesses after a man was robbed of money and a phone in the capital on Thursday night.

The 41-year-old was walking in Holyrood Park on a path that leads from the roundabout near the Commonwealth Pool towards the Scottish Parliament building at about 10.30pm when he was approached by a stranger.

The suspect threatened the man with a bladed object before making off with £100 in cash and a mobile phone.

Detective Constable Kevin Tait, who is based at Craigmillar, said: "This was a terrifying experience for the man, who not only feared for his safety but has also had £100 and his mobile phone stolen.

"Enquiries into this incident are ongoing and we would urge anyone who saw anything suspicious in Holyrood Park on Thursday night to get in touch immediately.

"Members of the public with any information can contact Police Scotland on 101 or, alternatively, the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

The suspect is a white male, in his twenties, 5ft 10in and of medium build. He was wearing a black scarf that covered his face, a black baseball cap, dark trousers and a dark jacket.