Witness appeal following Dalry robbery

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Police are appealing for witnesses following a knifepoint robbery at a city convenience store.

The incident happened around 7.40pm yesterday at the Dalry Newsagent on Dalry Road.

A 39-year-old woman was working alone within the shop when a man entered and presented a knife before demanding money.

After stealing the contents of the till he then made off towards Gorgie Road.

Officers are now urging anyone who can assist with their enquiries to come forward.

The suspect is described as white, early twenties, around 5ft 7ins tall with a slim build. He was wearing a grey hooded top with white stripes running down the sleeves, a black scarf covering his face, woolly gloves and black trousers.

Detective Constable Joyce Gunderson said: "Fortunately the shop assistant was not injured during the robbery, but this was a distressing ordeal and she was left understandably shaken.

"We are keen to hear from anyone who remembers seeing any suspicious activity in the Dalry Road area on Thursday evening, or anyone who recognises the description of the suspect.

"The male is believed to have been loitering outside the store and the nearby Bensons Bar just prior to the incident and so any patrons who believe they have information that can assist with our enquiries are asked to contact police immediately."

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