

Assault and robbery on Blackhall cycle path



Police are appealing for witnesses after a teenager was assaulted and robbed around 9pm last night on the Blackhall cycle path.

A 16-year-old male was walking home and entered the path at Wester Coates Terrace when he saw three males standing on the bridge area.

As he continued to walk the suspects approached and grabbed the victim before punching him to the face and robbing him of his mobile phone and rucksack.

Following the assault the male returned home and reported the matter to police.

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

The first suspect is described as white, late teens, 5ft 10ins tall with a skinny build and gaunt face and a short dark hair. He was wearing a red and white 'snood', dark cotton tracksuit, black gloves and spoke with a local accent.

The second and third suspects are described as being white, late teens, around 5ft 11ins tall with slim builds and wearing dark cotton tracksuits.

All three were wearing their hoods up during the robbery.

Detective Constable Chris Harding said: "The young victim was not seriously injured as a result of this incident but is understandably upset at the theft of his belongings.

“Anyone who remembers seeing any suspicious activity on the cycle path on Wednesday evening is asked to contact police immediately.

“I would also ask that anyone who can help us identify the suspects or who has any other information relevant to our enquiry also gets in touch.”

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