Woman assaulted and robbed in Craigmillar

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Police are appealing for information following a robbery which happened happened around 2.40pm on Thursday afternoon when a 45 year old female was walking on Craigmillar Castle Road.

As she crossed the road a man grabbed her and demanded money before presenting a knife and pulling her bag from her.

The suspect then made off through the wooded area towards Craigmillar Castle.

The suspect is described as white, slim build, 5ft 5in to 5ft 6in, with a local accent and is wearing a dark hooded top with the hood up and drawstring tied around face, and a black scarf covering his face. He was wearing dark trousers and dark gloves.

Detective Constable Andrina Cunningham said: "This was an upsetting incident for the victim and while she was not injured, her handbag contained a three figure sum of cash.

"I'm appealing for anyone who was in the Craigmillar Castle Gardens area around 2.40pm on Thursday and who has information that can assist is urged to contact police on 10 or in anonymity through the registered charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. "