

Woman attacked and car stolen in Jane Street



Police are appealing for witnesses following an assault and the theft of a vehicle in Leith yesterday.

The incident happened around 11:30am in Jane Street when a 61-year-old woman was approached by a man asking for directions. He then assaulted her before driving away in her silver Honda Civic towards Leith Walk. The vehicle is likely to be damaged as it collided with a street sign on Albert Street, causing additional damage to another vehicle, shortly afterwards.

The suspect is described as a white man of slim build, in his late thirties/early forties, 5ft 8inches tall and wearing a black hooded top and dark tracksuit bottoms. He had dark hair and was described as unshaven with a grey beard.

Detective Constable Joanne Robertson said: "This was a callous attack which has left the victim shocked and distressed and we are urging anyone who witnessed the incident, or who may have seen the stolen vehicle or suspect, to contact us immediately."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Police Scotland on 101 or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.