

Witness appeal after attempt to rob woman on Broughton Road



Police are appealing for witnesses following an assault and attempted robbery on Broughton Road near its junction with Redbraes Place which took place around 1:40pm on Thursday, May 7.

A 34-year-old woman was walking on the thoroughfare towards the city centre when another woman approached her from behind, grabbed her by the hair and attempted to snatch her handbag.

The victim began to scream and managed to prevent the attacker from stealing her property. The would-be thief then climbed into the passenger side of a nearby car, which was driven away from the scene and turned left onto Newhaven Road.

Police are very keen to trace the woman and the driver of the vehicle as quickly as possible.

She is described as being white with blonde hair, between 5ft 5in to 5ft 7in tall and aged in her early to mid 30's. At the time of this incident she was wearing casual clothing including trainers and grey/blue coloured jeans.

It is not clear what the make and model of the car is however police believe it may be red in colour.

Detective Constable Iain Wallace said: "We are particularly keen to hear from anyone who was in the area of Broughton Road around the time of this incident. This was a brazen attack carried out in broad daylight that has left the victim quite badly shaken.

“Anyone who can assist with our enquiries can contact police on 101 or, alternatively they can contact the crime charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.”