

Police revisit scene of sexual assault in Craiglockhart



Police will tonight revisit the scene of a sexual assault that took place in the Craiglockart area one week ago.

A 21-year-old woman was returning home when a male indecently assaulted her at the junction of Craiglockart Road and Craiglockart Quadrant at around 10.30pm on Wednesday 5th August.

A struggle ensued and the victim fought her attacker off, who was last seen running off along Craiglockart before being lost to sight.

The suspect is described as white, between 5ft 9ins and 5ft 11ins tall with a slim build. He was wearing a grey hooded top and dark tracksuit bottoms.

Between 10pm and 11pm this evening, detectives will be in and around Craiglockart Road to speak with members of the public.

Local residents, joggers and dog walkers are all urged to come speak with these officers if they have information relevant to this investigation.

As part of this inquiry officers are keen to trace a jogger who was running south in Elliot Road towards Colinton Road at around 10.33pm last Wednesday. It is believed he may have seen the suspect running off after the assault.

This individual is described as white 5ft 10ins tall with a slim to athletic build, wearing knee-length shorts and a dark top. He is asked to get in touch with police as soon as

possible.

Detective Chief Inspector Alwyn Bell said: "So far we have had a great response from the public and I would like to thank everyone who has already provided us with information.

"The suspect, however, has still to be identified and so officers will tonight revisit Craiglockart one week on from the attack to engage with members of the public who are regularly within the area to establish if they saw anything suspicious.

"If you believe you know something that can help us trace the male responsible, or that can assist with our ongoing inquiries then please contact police immediately.

"In particular, we wish to trace the male jogger who was on Elliot Road, as he may have vital information that can help us with our investigation and I would ask that he come forward to speak with us."

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