

# Witness appeal following city centre attack



Police are appealing for witnesses after a man was assaulted on Princes Street, outside New Look at around 3.15 a.m. on Sunday morning.

The 26-year-old was punched to the face, causing him to fall back onto the road and strike his head and the two men responsible for the attack then ran off along Castle Street.

The victim was assisted by a group of people who had exited a nearby club.

Officers have since been pursuing various lines of inquiry to trace these men and anyone who can assist with this investigation is asked to come forward.

The first suspect is described as being olive-skinned, 20-25-years-old, between 6ft and 6ft 2ins tall with an average build and dark stubble. He was wearing a black leather jacket and dark jeans.

The second suspect is described as being olive-skinned, 30-35-years-old, with a slim build and was wearing a black leather jacket and blue jeans.

Constable Lauren Mitchell from the Violence Reduction Unit at Gayfield Police Station said: "As a result of this assault the victim was taken to hospital where he received treatment for a head injury and has no recollection of being attacked.

"We have spoken to the people who called police and assisted the man after he was injured but are keen to trace anyone else who was on Princes Street at around 3.15am on Sunday and remembers seeing anything suspicious.

“Similarly, anyone who recognises the description of the suspects and believes they can help us identify them should also contact police immediately.”

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