

# Man jailed for historical sexual offences in Edinburgh



A man responsible for a number of sexual offences in the East of Edinburgh has been jailed at the High Court in Edinburgh today.

Craig McGlynn was sentenced to seven years in prison for offences including indecent assault on five victims aged between 10 and 16.

The assaults all took place between 1997 and 2008 and were reported to police several years later.

As a result of extensive inquiries by Edinburgh's Public Protection Unit, 46-year-old McGlynn was detained and subsequently charged in August 2014.

Detective Chief Inspector Alwyn Bell who leads the Edinburgh Public Protection Unit said: "Craig McGlynn preyed on a number of young victims over nearly a decade and had it not been for the bravery of these individuals in coming forward, his crimes may have gone unanswered for.

"This sentence is testament to the courage all his victims demonstrated in coming forward and reinforces the commitment of both Police Scotland and the Crown Office to identifying sexual crime offenders and removing them from our communities.

"My sincere thanks go out to all of those who reported their abuse at the hands of McGlynn and to the PPU detectives involved in this case for all their painstaking work throughout.

"The public can rest assured that all reports of sexual crime will be handled with the utmost sensitivity and

professionalism and investigated thoroughly.

“I would encourage any victims of abuse or sexual assault who have not yet reported the matter to police to contact us on 101 or make an anonymous call to the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.”