

Victim of Waterloo Place attack is prison inmate



The victim of yesterday's attack in Waterloo Place has been confirmed as Sean McGovern who is currently serving a 16 year sentence at Castle Huntley Open Prison after being convicted in 2009 of firing two shots at the Gauntlet Bar in Broomhouse and also being concerned in the supply of heroin.

Mr McGovern had been dropped off around 12.30pm and was preparing to board a G4S bus back to the prison when the attack took place.

The two culprits ran off and were seen getting into a white Skoda Rapid which was being driven by an accomplice.

After the incident, Mr McGovern briefly gave chase before returning to the scene where he was assisted by members of the public before emergency services arrived and cordoned off the area.

Both the culprits wore baseball caps and sunglasses.

Detective Sergeant Neil Spowart from Gayfield CID said: "This part of the city centre, just past the east end of Princes Street, was very busy at lunchtime with shoppers and visitors, and I want to speak to anyone who was in the area and may have seen the assault or the two men beforehand or afterwards."

Call Police Scotland on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.