Anthony Ferrie hunt focuses on Lanarkshire

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Police are continuing to appeal for information regarding the whereabouts of 33 year old missing prisoner Anthony Ferrie.

Ferrie, a prisoner from HMP Addiewell, escaped custody and left the grounds of St John's Hospital in Livingston at around 1pm yesterday, Thursday 4 August.

Police are following a number of positive lines of enquiry to trace Ferrie, and are concentrating their work in the West of Scotland.

Detective Inspector Paul Batten based at Livingston said: "Ferrie is from Bellshill and whilst we are carrying out some enquiries in West Lothian, most of our work is happening in Lanarkshire.

"The investigation is using both local and national Police Scotland resources, and liaison with partners, to try to locate Ferrie as quickly as possible and return him to custody. I would urge anyone who may know of his whereabouts to contact police immediately."

If seen, members of the public should not approach Ferrie and should contact Police Scotland on 101.

Anyone wishing to provide information anonymously can do so through the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.