

Man robbed by gang of teenagers in West Pilton March



Police are investigating following a robbery in West Pilton March which happened around 9pm on Saturday night when a 22-year-old man walked across a playground area. As he did he was approached by a group of around 10-15 youths, both male and female, aged between 13-16.

The group started shouting at the man which led to a male member of the group threatening the him with a weapon.

The victim ran into West Pilton March, however the youths caught up to him and he was subsequently assaulted. He later discovered that his wallet had been taken.

The 22-year-old sustained minor injuries which did not require medical attention. He returned home and reported the matter to police. Officers are now investigating and are appealing to the public for information.

The male suspect who initially threatened the victim with a weapon is described as a white teenager with a medium build and short blonde hair. He was wearing a mainly grey t-shirt with black sleeves and Nike logo across the front.

Some of the teenagers are described as having been on bikes.

Detective Constable Ross Nicol of Corstorphine CID said: "This group targeted a lone man and subjected him to a vicious attack.

"We are eager to trace the young people involved in this incident, particularly the male who threatened the victim with

a weapon.

“I would urge anyone who was in the West Pilton area on the evening of Saturday, October 22, and saw anything suspicious, to get in touch with us immediately.”

Those with information can contact Police Scotland on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.