Police appeal to trace witness following attempted robbery on bus

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Police are appealing for information to assist them with an investigation into an attempted robbery with a weapon on a public bus in the Dalry area.

The incident occurred at around 7.15pm on Wednesday 26 October 2016 on board the number 25 bus, travelling between Leith Walk and Dalry Road.

Officers are very keen to trace a man that officers believe to be a key witness in this serious offence. They are appealing for anyone who recognises the man described below, or who may have information about this incident, to come forward.

The man sought by police is described as white, in his thirties, 5ft 10in to 6ft tall, of medium build, with closely shaved hair.

At the time, he was wearing a black hooded insulated jacket which had a lighter trim, black trousers, and dark trainers with a lighter coloured sole.

He was carrying a black Nike drawstring bag and a bottle of water. He was last seen alighting from the bus at Dalry Road.

Officers wish to stress that this male is sought only as witness to the offence. There is absolutely nothing to suggest that he was involved in the crime, however officers believe that he may have vital information that could assist them with their investigation.

Detective Constable Gavin Howat of Corstorphine CID

said: "We've conducted enquiries and collected evidence but we're still eager to speak to this man about the incident. We would urge him to get in touch with us or anyone who can help us trace him is asked to come forward."

Those with information can contact Police Scotland on 101 or make an anonymous report tho Crimestoppers via 0800 555 111.