## Witness appeal after teenage girl indecently assaulted in Stenhouse

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Police are appealing for information after a teenage girl was indecently assaulted in Stenhouse Crescent on Monday evening.

The 14-year-old was walking with a friend at around 7.35pm on Monday, 7th November, when they were approached from behind by a man. He assaulted one of the girls before running back along Stenhouse Crescent towards Stenhouse Gardens.

The man is described as possibly in his 30s, between 5 foot 8 and 5 foot 10 inches tall, of slim to medium build and was wearing all black clothing including shoes, trousers, a hooded top and a woollen hat.

Detective Inspector Kevin Harkins based at Fettes Police Station said: "The girls were understandably distressed by this incident and immediately after they walked onto Calder Road where they spoke to a woman waiting at a bus stop with two young children aged around 5 and 7. We are yet to speak to this woman and so I'm appealing for her to come forward and speak to us.

"I also want to speak to anyone who may have seen the man in the area before or after the assault, he was on foot and may have been running Stenhouse Crescent or the surrounding streets.

"This type of incident is unusual, and officers will be carrying out door to door enquiries as well as high visibility patrols. I would encourage anyone with information to speak to an officer or call police on 101." Calls can also be made anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.