

Witness appeal after 69-year-old woman robbed in Dalkeith



A police investigation is underway after a 69-year-old woman was assaulted and robbed in Scott's Close Dalkeith between St Andrews Street and High Street at around 9.20pm on Friday night.

A man grabbed the handbag of the woman, struggling with her until he took off with the bag.

The man is described as 6ft tall, slim build and in his 20s.

He was wearing a black three-quarter length jacket with a fur hood.

The woman's handbag is described as medium sized and red. The contents would include a small red umbrella and a small red purse with golden clips.

Detective Constable James Welsh said: "This was understandably a very distressing experience for the victim and local officers will be conducting increased high visibility patrols in the area over the weekend.

"As part of our enquiries we're urging anyone who may have seen this man in the area, who recognises his description, or who has information on the whereabouts of the stolen handbag to get in touch as soon as possible."