

Witness appeal after robbery in Loanhead



Police are appealing for witnesses following a robbery in Loanhead which took place around 7.25pm on Monday 19 February outside the Carphone Warehouse store at Straiton Mains.

A 24-year-old man was approached as he sat in his car by two males who forced open the door, dragged him from the vehicle, and attempted to steal the car.

The suspects failed to steal the car but made off from the area with the victim's wallet.

Officers are now appealing for witnesses and are asking anyone who can help with ongoing inquiries to come forward.

The first suspect is described as white, aged in his mid-20's, around 6ft 11ins tall and of slim build. He was wearing a grey top with the hood pulled tight to his face, a red or orange scarf covering the lower part of his face, and grey tracksuit bottoms.

The second suspect is described as white, aged in his early 20's, around 5ft 10ins tall and of heavy build. He was wearing a grey hoody with the hood up, grey tracksuit bottoms and a black beanie hat.

Detective Constable Laura Bowie from Dalkeith CID said: "This

was an unprovoked attack with the victim showing extreme bravery to prevent the suspects from stealing his car.

“Thankfully the victim was not seriously injured and we are keen to trace those responsible.

“I would ask anyone who saw any suspicious behaviour in the Straiton Mains area, or has information that can help with our investigations, to contact officers immediately.”

Those with information can contact Dalkeith Police Station via 101, quoting incident number 3425 of 19 February. Alternatively a report can be made anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.