Police looking for three men in connection with attempted ATM theft

Early this morning three men tried to steal an ATM from the front window of Sainsbury's in Shandwick Place.

Police are now looking for the three who were wearing balaclavas when they got out of a dark coloured Audi Q5 and smashed the window to remove the cash machine from the outside wall.

The ATM was lying in the roadway when police responded to calls from the public.

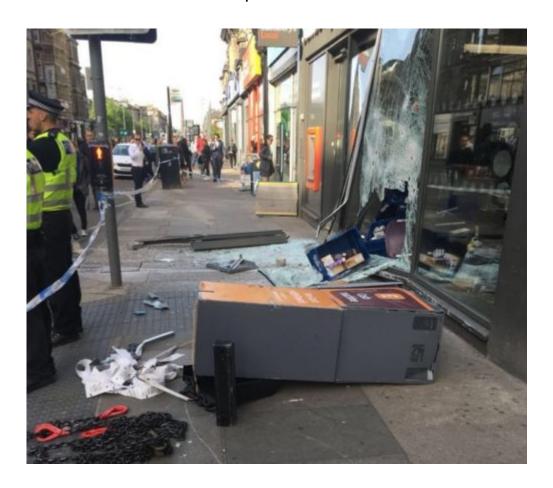
Police say the suspects went towards the West End in the Audi which is believed to have been stolen from Inchkeith Crescent Kirkcaldy on Tuesday.



Alex Orr was

passing by on his way to the office when he took the photos we have used here.

Edinburgh Trams had to stop at the West End for a time until debris from the attempted break-in was cleared.



Detective Inspector Graham Grant, who is in charge of the Community Investigation Unit, said: "While the men were successful in gaining entry to the shop, they have been unable to steal the ATM and have left it in the street before making their escape.

"We are continuing our liaison with the store, but it appears nothing has been stolen at this time.

"This is the latest incident involving the stolen Audi from Kirkcaldy and officers from Fife, Midlothian and Edinburgh are all working together to identify those responsible and bring them to justice.

"If you have any information that can assist with these ongoing inquiries then please contact police immediately."

Those with information in relation to this incident can

contact the CIU via 101 and quote incident number 364 of the 17th May. Alternatively, an anonymous report can be made to the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.