Witness appeal after man threatened with hammer



Police are appealing for witnesses following an armed robbery at a shop on Millhaugh Lane Bathgate which took place around 5.10pm on Saturday 9 February.

A 64-year-old man was approached by a man who threatened him with hammer and stolen a sum of cash.

The victim was thankfully uninjured during the incident. The suspect made off from the premises on foot.

He is described as a white man, aged in his 30s, around 5ft 10ins tall, wearing a dark coloured hooded top, dark coloured trousers and beige-coloured rigger boots.

Officers are now appealing for witnesses and anyone who can help with ongoing inquiries is asked to come forward. Detective Constable Ally Urquhart of Livingston CID said: "This was an extremely frightening incident for the victim and those who were in the premises at the time it occurred. "We believe the man spoke with a local accent and could have visited the store previously as a customer.

"We're eager to hear from anyone who saw what happened, or can help us identity and trace the man responsible, as soon as possible."

Those with information can contact Livingston CID via 101 and quote incident number 3110 of 9 February. Or make an anonymous report to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.