

# Trio convicted of Edinburgh murder



Three people have been convicted of the murder of Stephen Grant at a flat in the east of the city. Ashleigh Wallace (27), Shaun Wallace (19) and Patrick Herbert (37) were found guilty today following a trial at the High Court in Edinburgh.

The 49-year-old was found with multiple injuries in the rear garden of the flat on Magdalene Drive on Sunday 8 July 2018 and passed away in hospital a short time later.

His ex-partner, Ashleigh Wallace, was in the flat with her brother Shaun and friend Herbert when Stephen arrived at around 6pm that evening.

A disturbance ensued inside during which time Stephen suffered ten stab wounds to his body, along with serious head and facial injuries.

Enquiries showed that Shaun Wallace and Patrick Herbert carried Stephen out of the flat and left him in the rear garden shortly after 6.15pm, with Ashleigh Wallace leaving the address with them both a short time later at 6.32pm.

The trio attended back at the property at around 1am the following morning where they were met by officers who

subsequently arrested, interviewed, and charged them with Stephen's murder.

Detective Inspector Bruce Coutts from Corstorphine CID said: "Mr Grant was subjected to a horrifically violent and sustained attack which cost him his life.

"He was left for dead in the back garden by Ashleigh Wallace, her brother Shaun Wallace, and Patrick Herbert, who showed complete disregard for Stephen's life and have shown no remorse for their actions.

"We understand that this incident was a shock to the local community and I would like to thank them, along with Stephen's family and friends, for their assistance as our investigation was ongoing.

"Violent crime has no place in society and will not be tolerated in Edinburgh. Although nothing will bring Stephen back we hope that today's decision will allow them some closure as they begin to move forward in their lives."

Ashleigh Wallace, Shaun Wallace and Patrick Herbert are due to be sentenced on 25th April.