

Investigation underway following sexual assault in Livingston



Police are investigating a sexual assault which took place happened around 1.20pm on Saturday 27th April within Poundland in Livingston.

A 13-year-old girl was in the store when a man approached from behind and indecently assaulted her. The suspect then left and ran off into the mall.

Inquiries are ongoing to trace this individual and anyone who recognises him is asked to come forward. He is described as white, in his forties, around 6ft tall with a slim build and wearing a light-grey shirt with the sleeves rolled up, a grey and navy t-shirt, dark blue jeans and black trainers.

Detective Constable Jo McCall of Livingston CID said: "This was a frightening attack on a young girl, which left her incredibly upset, though, thankfully, uninjured.

"We are eager to trace the man responsible as soon as possible and I would ask anyone who was in The Centre or Livingston Designer Outlet during the afternoon of Saturday, April 27th and saw anything suspicious, to get in touch with us.

“Customers from these shopping centres may have dash-cams attached to their vehicles and may have recorded the suspects. I would ask everyone to check their footage and if you believe it’s captured anything relevant then please contact police immediately.”

Anyone with information is asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, quoting incident number 2050 of 27th April 2019, or make an anonymous report through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.