

# Witness appeal following attempted robbery in Bathgate



Police

Police are appealing for witnesses following an attempted robbery in Bathgate which took place around 3pm on Thursday 27th June in Mid Street.

An 18-year-old man was walking in the area when he was approached by a male in possession of a knife who demanded his belongings.

The victim refused and ran off towards Hopetoun Street, where he sought assistance.

Inquiries to identify the suspect are ongoing and anyone who recognises him is asked to come forward.

He is described as white, late teens, around 5ft 8ins tall with a slim build, dark blond hair and wearing a light grey Armani EA7 hooded top and dark grey jogging bottoms.

Detective Constable Jo McCall from West Lothian CID said:

“Thankfully the young man was uninjured in this incident, but he has been left understandably very shaken.

“I am eager to speak to anyone who was in the area around the time of this incident, and who may have seen any suspicious activity.

“I am particularly keen to trace a motorist on Mid Street who the victim may have approached.

“Equally, anyone who recognises the description of the suspect, or has any information that can help our investigation, is urged to get in touch.”

Those with information can contact Police Scotland on 101, quoting incident number 2458 of 27th June 2019, or report this anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.