

Witness appeal after assaults and fires in Wester Hailes

Police are appealing for information following a series of assaults and wilful fires in the Wester Hailes area which occurred between 7pm and 9pm last night.



Around 7.30pm a 30-year-old man was assaulted on the Union Canal path but sustained no injuries. The second assault also occurred on the Union Canal path around 8.30pm and a 37-year-old woman was conveyed to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary with serious but not life-threatening injuries.

Officers also received report of a fire at a premises on Murrayburn Drive around 8pm and a second fire was reported at a premises on Calder Crescent around 8.25pm. No-one was injured as a result of the fires.

Police believe the incidents are linked and are following positive lines of enquiry.

Officers are appealing for anyone who was in the area at the time of the incidents and who may have any information to contact them on 101 quoting incident number 3544 of 13 March.