

# Police say 'despicable' attack on three young girls in Meadows will not be tolerated

Police are appealing for witness following a 'despicable' assault and robbery of three teenage girls in the Meadows and insisted that such behaviour will not be tolerated.

Around 7pm on Saturday night, two girls, aged 13 and 14-years-old, were approached by a group of youths who assaulted and robbed them. An unknown member of the public intervened and took both girls away from the group.



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A short time later a 16-year-old girl, known to the other girls, arrived and the group approached them again, assaulting the 16-year-old by dragging her to the ground and also robbing her. Again, unknown members of the public intervened, and the girls were taken safely away.

All three girls suffered injuries to their faces which required medical attention.

Detective Inspector Kevin Tait of Corstorphine CID said: "This was despicable behaviour which has left three young girls injured and shaken and it will not be tolerated.

"Enquiries are ongoing and we are working to establish the circumstances surrounding the incident and would urge anyone

who may have been there and saw what happened to contact us as soon as possible.

“We are especially keen to speak to the various unknown adults who intervened to help the girls and I would ask that if that was you that you give us a call.”

Anyone with information should contact police on 101 quoting incident number 3698 of 20 March, or alternatively call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 where information can be passed on anonymously.