

Detectives hunt robber who stole woman's rucksack on Leith Links

Detectives are appealing for witnesses following a robbery which occurred in the Leith area of Edinburgh on Monday, 12 August, 2024.

Around 11pm a 38-year-old woman was walking through Leith Links, close to Duncan Place, when she was approached by a man who grabbed her rucksack, causing her to fall to the ground.

The suspect made off towards Restalrig Road and Link Gardens.

The suspect is described as a white male, 30 to 40 years-old, 5ft 6in and of thin build. He was wearing a long sleeved top, trousers, a dark baseball cap and spoke with a Scottish accent.

The bag stolen is a black and green mountaineering style rucksack which contained clothing and a number of high value items.

Detective Sergeant Ashley Rea said: "Thankfully the victim was not injured during the robbery however it was still a very distressing experience.

"We are appealing for anyone who was in the surrounding area around 11pm on Monday night who saw a man matching the suspect's description, or who may have private CCTV or dash-cam footage of significance, to please get in touch.

"Anyone with information is asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, quoting incident number 2616 of Tuesday 13 August, 2024. Alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.