Two elderly women left distressed after being robbed of car by masked gang

Detectives are appealing for information following a robbery which occurred in Edinburgh on the evening of Tuesday, 27 August, 2024.

Around 10pm an 88-year-old woman was driving her bronze coloured Honda Jazz with her 93-year-old female friend when they stopped on Robert Burns Drive near to its junction with Mossgiel Walk.

While the car was stopped, three or four males dressed in dark clothing and wearing face coverings approached the vehicle and demanded the women get out.

The suspects entered the car and drove off at speed along Robert Burns Drive.

Police were contacted and the car was later found abandoned in the Harlaw Reservoir car park around 11.10pm.

Detective Sergeant Steven Dick said: "This was an incredibly distressing experience for the two elderly women, who thankfully were not hurt, and extensive enquiries are ongoing to identify the individuals involved.

"It is vital that we speak to any potential witnesses and we

would appeal to anyone who was in the area around the time of the robbery who may have noticed men matching the above description, or anything at all suspicious, to get in touch.

"We would also urge anyone with private CCTV or dash-cam footage to please check in case they have captured the stolen vehicle or anything else which could be of significance to our investigation."

Anyone with information can contact Police Scotland on 101, quoting incident number 4112 of Tuesday, 27 August, 2024. You can also speak to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.