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## **Appeal for information following aggravated burglary in Newham**

**Detectives are appealing for information and witnesses after an elderly woman was the victim of a violent burglary at her home address in Newham.**

Officers were called to an address on Cordwainers Walk, E13 at approximately 19:00hrs on Thursday, 21 January following reports of an aggravated burglary.

The victim, a woman in her 80s, was at home when five unknown men knocked on the door and stated they had food for her.

Upon opening the door, the men pushed their way into the victim's home before forcing a sock in her mouth and instructing her not to speak.

The males then proceeded to sit on the victim's chest, holding her down while they removed her jewellery by cutting it from her wrist.

It is believed they were inside her address for approximately 20-30 minutes while they searched for valuable items.

The five suspects are described as white males in their 20s, wearing black clothing. One of the males was wearing a black Nike tracksuit trouser with red piping.

Detectives from the Met's North East Burglary and Robbery Unit are appealing for any witnesses or information in relation to the suspects to come forward and inform police.

If you are local to the area and noticed anything suspicious at this time then please get in contact.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police via 101 quoting reference CAD 006400/21JAN21 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

There have been no arrests and enquiries continue.