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Rape investigation dropped, say Thames Valley Police



The investigation into the alleged rape of a 19-year-old woman near Whiteknights campus has been discontinued.

Thames Valley Police stated they have fully investigated the report of the incident, said to have taken place in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

A 19-year-old woman reported being approached by a group of men before being attacked near the Foxhill Gate entrance to campus.

Thames Valley Police said the woman was being supported but the investigation had been discontinued.

Investigating officer Det Sgt Carl Bradford said: "A thorough investigation has taken place into the circumstances of this allegation. There is clear evidence that there was no offence of rape. The complainant is being supported.

"I would like to stress that no one should hesitate in coming forward if they have been a victim of crime of any sort. Thames Valley Police will support victims and witnesses throughout investigations in an attempt to prosecute offenders."

Thames Valley Police also said they would like to thank the public for their assistance during the investigation.

3 Comments



1. **B Stevens**says:

October 25, 2014 at 12:05 am

Why? Can we have an explanation why the investigation has been stopped?

If you're telling us that the investigation was dropped on account of "no evidence", then how is it that the victim is being "supported"?



1. **Hannah**says:

October 26, 2014 at 1:01 pm

Totally agree, I don't feel reassured at all. Rape cases get dropped way too often, obviously its a private matter but are the police not going to provide any more information? I just hope she's okay and that if something did happen then something comes out of it.



2. **John**says:

October 29, 2014 at 12:04 pm

It doesn't say it was dropped because there was 'no evidence', but there is "clear evidence that there was no offence of rape". Which are two very different statements.

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