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Girl, 17, raped: Three sought

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POLICE are hunting three men after a 17-year-old girl was raped in the back of a car in Leicestershire early today.

The victim was attacked at about 1.30am after a night out in Hinckley.

After being sexually assaulted in some public toilets the girl was raped before being dropped off in a dark country lane 12 miles from her home.

Detectives say the girl, who lives in the Burbage area, was near the Prince of Wales pub in Coventry Road at about 11.30pm when she was approached by three men who had got out of a gold Ford Escort estate.

They asked the girl if she wanted to accompany them to a restaurant.

She agreed and the four of them went into the Noor Tandoori restaurant nearby.

After the meal the girl accepted a lift home with one of the men. She got out of the car and walked when the driver stopped his vehicle near the Tin Hat pub in Coventry Road.

Five minutes later, as the girl was walking along Coventry Road, the gold Escort pulled up alongside her with all three men inside.

Back of car

"She said she wanted to go into the toilets at Northfield Road and was followed into a cubicle by one of the men," said Detective Chief Inspector Derek Haines today.

"She was pushed to the floor and sexually assaulted. She was then picked up and taken into the car and further assaulted. She was raped in the back of the car by one of the men and eventually dropped off in Lubbethorpe Lane, Braunstone."

DCI Haines added: "This was a frightening attack on a young girl."

The rapist, who was heard to be called 'Adrian', is white, aged about 20, 6ft. tall, of medium build with broad shoulders, and brown hair which was short at the sides and spikey on top.

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He has two sleepers in each ear and wore a navy blue tracksuit with red around the trousers and middle.

The second man is white, aged about 29, 6ft tall, stocky with short blonde crew-cut hair. He wore a white, pale blue and pink striped shirt and black trousers. He has the name Michelle tattooed on his left hand and Elaine on his upper right arm.

The third is aged 29, about 6ft tall, medium to fat in build, with short blond hair.

The article below was published in the same edition of the same newspaper, April 5, 1990, page 17.

Rape inquiry is dropped

NO further action is to be taken against three Leicester men who were arrested in connection with the alleged rape of a 17-year-old girl in Hinckley, police confirmed today.

The alleged victim has now withdrawn her complaint, said Detective Chief Inspector Derek Haines, of Beaumont Leys CID.

Mr. Haines said: "Three men were interviewed. Further police inquiries were made and, as a result, the complaint has been withdrawn. No further action will be taken."

The girl had earlier said she was sexually assaulted and raped early on Saturday morning after a night out in Hinckley.