

Boy, 10, fatally stabbed playing football



Earlier today three friends aged ten, were playing happily in Green Park.

As well as playing on the swings and climbing frame they were also playing football.

It appears that two teenagers aged about sixteen, entered the park and started to tease the younger children and threatened to steal their football.

Then one of the teenagers took the football and started kicking it about with his friend. It seems that the biggest of the three ten year olds shouted abuse at the teenagers; at which point, one of them took a knife from his pocket and stabbed the youngster several times in front of everybody. The incident was witnessed by an elderly gentleman sitting some distance away and a young mother who was pushing a pram past the park.

After the stabbing, the teenagers immediately disappeared into the nearby housing estate.

The young mother called 999 and the emergency services arrived within a few minutes. However, sadly, the young boy was pronounced dead at the scene. The police are investigating and appealing for further information.