

Man Robs Two Banks and a Bookmaker Using Hand-Written Bomb Threat, AlertSystems Responds

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CCTV footage has been released of a criminal who escaped with more than £3,000 after using a hand-written note threatening to detonate a bomb. A spokesperson from AlertSystems responded to the news.

Police are now using high quality CCTV footage of a man who went on a series of terrifying robberies as part of a public appeal. The criminal used a hand written note threatening to detonate a bomb and handed it to cashiers at three different establishments. The note stated: 'Put the money in the bag or the bomb goes off.' The most recent incident occurred at Lloyds Bank in Swinton on April 14th, but after being challenged by the cashier, the man walked away empty handed.

The first offence occurred at William Hill bookmakers in Eccles on March 23rd. The man used the same or a similar note for the crime. However this time the cashier handed over £300 and the man walked in the direction of Eccles bus station. The individual also struck at the Royal Bank of Scotland at Stretford Mall on April 1st. He acted as though he was interested in opening a bank account, but instead slipped the threatening note over the counter. On this occasion £3,000 was handed over and the man can be seen putting the cash into his holdall bag.

The CCTV has been used to release a description of the man as part of a public appeal. He is described as a white man, aged 25 to 30, around 5ftt 8in to 6ft tall. On two occasions the robber wore a baseball cap, carried a large holdall and had a black beard. Detective Sergeant Karl Dalton, of Greater Manchester Police, stated: "This is by no means a new way to rob a bank, but this man has now struck three times and escaped with a substantial amount of money... Fortunately, the banks have provided some CCTV footage which we believe will help us identify this individual."

As experts in CCTV security, AlertSystems take a keen interest in relevant news stories such as this. A spokesperson from the company made the following statement. "Banks and bookmakers are businesses that are often at the centre of robberies across the country. Due to the large amounts of cash that are kept behind the register, these businesses have to ensure that their security systems are of the highest possible standard. In this instance, the criminal has successfully been captured on high quality CCTV security systems. This has provided the police and the public with clear images and video footage, which contribute towards accurate and effective identification."

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