Police dismiss Facebook reports of Nuneaton rape

Police investigate report of young girl in distress on recreation ground

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Reports on social media of a rape in Nuneaton have been ruled out by police.

A Facebook posting claimed that a young girl had been attacked at 7.45pm last Thursday, on the Pool Bank Street recreational ground, and gave a warning: "All ladies should careful walking around any parts of Nuneaton in the dark alone at night, as this is the second time in a couple of months this has happened."
A spokesperson for Warwickshire Police confirmed that officers had been called to investigate an incident in the area at that time, when a woman “appeared to be in a distressed state and who initially was thought to have been subject to a recent sexual assault.”

The statement added: “She was taken to hospital but further investigations by the police established that the woman had not been involved in an assault.

“There will always be rumours circulating within communities about different types of incidents happening, but thankfully serious sexual assaults remain rare.”