Three arrested over Tregaron armed robbery

TWO adults and a 16-year-old girl from the Llanbydder area have been arrested by police investigating the armed robbery in Tregaron last month.

The man, woman, and girl were yesterday (Tuesday) being questioned by detectives at Aberystwyth police station about the robbery at Caron Stores, Tregaron, on Thursday 23 August.

In the incident, a masked man and woman, armed with a handgun and a knife, terrorised two shop assistants before escaping with £600.

They fled from the Station Road shop in a dark-coloured Citroen, which had been seen in Tregaron for a number of hours during the day.

The two assistants in the shop were unharmed but badly shaken-up by the ordeal. Shop owner Dilwyn Williams was not in the premises at the time of the robbery.

After the incident, Mr Williams told the Cambrian News: "The culprits had been around Tregaron during the day, checking out the shops. I think that because we were quiet they just decided on our shop."

Police have issued descriptions of the two robbers and a CD-fit of the woman was also released. And police have offered a £1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the culprits.

A reconstruction of the robbery was staged by police, and was shown on television in the hope it might focus possible witnesses' minds, with a view to obtaining more information about those responsible.

Detective Inspector Gareth Jones, based at Aberystwyth and leading the hunt for the robbers, said: "We wanted the people of Ceredigion to be our eyes and ears, and to give us information. "And it was hoped that the televised re-construction would encourage people to cast their minds back in the hope of getting more witnesses to come forward."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Aberystwyth police station.