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Two men armed with large batons and possibly a knife robbed a bookmakers on Bath Road yesterday night (12 January). They threatened staff and stole hundreds of pounds in cash then made off on foot down Bath Road in the direction of Cheltenham College.

Police in Cheltenham are now appealing for witnesses of the armed robbery to come forward. Officers were called with a report that masked men entered the betting shop at around 7.35pm.

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It was reported that two men, described as being white and wearing balaclavas, entered the shop. The men are reported to have had large batons and possibly a knife.

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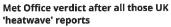
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The suspects are described as wearing dark clothing and one of the men wore white socks. Police are asking anyone who was in the are time and saw the incident, or the men acting suspiciously, to come forward.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police by completing the following form and quoting incident number 435 of 12 January: https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/cor/tell-us-about-existing-case-report/

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