

# 'Terrified' by UFO

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A VIVID encounter with a UFO in Cleethorpes last night has been reported to police by a young man who was left "terrified" by the incident.

The sighting occurred just before 10.30 pm and was backed-up by two other people who saw a white light in the sky at the same place, an hour later.

The young man, a student, was walking from Humberston to Cleethorpes along a track which crosses field by the Cleethorpes golf course.

He told the Evening Telegraph today: "It was dark and I tend to run along the track, keeping away from the bushes.

"I saw a light out of the corner of my eye in the pitch black and so I turned to look."

He says he was immediately confronted by an object hovering about 50ft above the ground in the next field behind bushes.

He described the UFO as being cigar-shaped but with a bulbous bottom.

"I was shocked to say the least, in fact I must have been terrified because I found myself squatting on the ground, my legs felt peculiar and my head was prickling," he recalled.

He continued to watch the UFO which was giving off a white incandescent glow and which he says appeared to have a light at the bottom protruding towards the ground.

"The next thing - it just disappeared. I thought about running away across the cornfield but I realised I would be in the open and so ran off behind the cover of the bushes," he said.

The object, he said, was only

40ft away from him and its dimensions he thought were about 60ft tall and 25ft wide at the bottom.

"I have always been very sceptical about these things and I have never listened to much about UFOs but I have never before seen anything like this," he added.

Grimsby Police said they had spoken to the young man about his experience. They checked it out with RAF Binbrook who reported no aircraft had been flying at the time.

"It certainly left him very upset and shaken," said a police spokesman.

About an hour after the incident, two men crossing the same path, but in the opposite direction, saw a white light flash low across the sky.

Although it was in exactly the same place, they saw nothing else and thought they had witnessed a shooting star.