

# Man dies in city fire

✘ A 41-year-old man died in the early hours of the morning after a fire believed to have been started by a discarded cigarette.

Firefighters were called to the top floor flat of a three storey building in Niddrie Mill Drive at 1.40am today. The flat was heavily smoke logged with thick smoke throughout the building.

A spokesperson for Lothian and Borders Fire and Rescue Service said:

“Tragically a 41-year-old man was found dead within the property. Although the smoke alarm had activated it did not alert the occupant.

“Two firefighters wearing breathing apparatus and using a hose reel extinguished the blaze.”