

City Hotel roof collapse

Emergency services attended the Fiddler's Elbow in Picardy Place at 2.30am this morning(Sunday)after a ceiling collapsed.

Seven tenders and specialised search and rescue units arrived at the city hotel after a fire alarm was triggered but it was quickly ascertained that nobody was inside the building.

A Lothian and Borders Police spokeswoman said:- "A first floor ceiling collapsed but search and rescue teams accounted for everyone."

Building control officers and representatives of Scottish Power and Scottish Gas made safe the building.

The police also confirmed that the fire alarm 'alerted the people inside' and that 'everyone was already out' before the emergency teams arrived.

The area had been cordoned off.