Emergency Services attend reported gas leak in Shandwick Place

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Seven fire appliances along with several ambulances and police vehicles attended a report of a gas leak from storage fridges at the Cooperative building on Shandwick Place.

Around 4pm, approximately 40 staff were evacuated to the rear of the building in Rutland Square, and Rutland Street was closed to all traffic.

A police spokesman said: "It's a precautionary measure in relation to a commercial refrigerated Unit, within shop premises."

A spokesman for the Fire and Rescue service said no casualties had been reported and that it appeared that the leak may have from the building plant room and added: "A refrigerator engineer was contacted and attended the scene. We then left incident in the hands of the shop owner and the engineer and all was in order."