Fire on Forthview Road now under control

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The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service was called to deal with a house fire at a property in Blackhall earlier this morning.

The Edinburgh Reporter heard the reports of smoke on Twitter earlier, although it is clear that the fire was already being dealt with by then.

<u>@EdinReporter</u> heavy smoke on Ferry/Telford road. Hard to breath at to of Groathill N. Can't see source. Any ideas?

- Shard Aerliss (@Aerliss) <u>December 18, 2014</u>

The call was received just after 7:00am following reports of a fire at a detached bungalow under renovation at Forthview Road.

Appliances, along with the height appliance from Crewe Toll were immediately sent to the scene. Further resources from McDonald Road and Marionville were then requested.

Group Manager Cameron McKenzie said: "The fire was well developed in the roof space and had broken through the roof when crews arrived. Firefighters in breathing apparatus used two lines of hose to extinguish the fire. Crews made use of the height vehicle to carry out damping down operations."

No one was in the property at the time and crews remain on scene dampening down the affected areas.

A joint investigation is being carried out today with Police Scotland into the cause of the fire.