

Police name woman who died in Old Dalkeith Road collision as Jill Pirrie



Police Scotland have named the woman who died following a collision on Old Dalkeith Road, near Kingston Avenue, as Jill Pirrie.

The collision took place at 8pm on Thursday (May 12) and involved a silver Ford Ka that was being followed by a police vehicle.

The police vehicle had activated its blue lights and siren after the Ford Ka, travelling northbound, failed to stop when signalled to do so by officers on Old Dalkeith Road.

The 33-year-old was taken to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary where she was sadly pronounced dead a short time later.

Her family have today released the following tribute statement through Police Scotland:

“Jill was a loving mother, daughter, partner and friend who will be hugely missed by the many who knew and loved her.

“She was well known for her great sense of humour and no words can express the void that is left as a result of this tragedy.

“The family ask that we be given space at this time to grieve in peace.”

Three males are currently detained in connection with this collision, and enquiries are ongoing to trace a further male.

Chief Superintendent Kenny Macdonald, Edinburgh Divisional

Commander, said: "We reported this collision to the Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service, who have instructed the Police Investigations & Review Commissioner to carry out an independent investigation.

"PIRC are instructed to investigate deaths following police contact or involvement, and we will cooperate fully with their enquiry.

"Our sincere condolences are with Jill's family and friends at this tragic time, and we will utilise all resources at our disposal to investigate this collision."

We would appeal for anyone in the area the time of the collision to come forward and contact Police Scotland on 101 or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.