

Man arrested after drone spotted flying over Royal Mile



Police have arrested and charged a 31-year-old man following a report of a drone flying over Princes St Gardens and the Royal Mile on Thursday 5th July.

He will appear in court at a later date.

Officers are keen to highlight the existing legislation around the use of drones and the potential risks if they are flown in and around crowded or built-up areas.

Those who use drones and similar devices are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with the appropriate aviation legislation, which can be found on the Civil Aviation Authority's website at the link below:

Superintendent Bob Paris of Edinburgh Division said: "Drones are becoming more popular for filming and photographing scenic areas or places of interest but it is essential that they are used responsibly and they do not cause alarm or injury to members of the public.

"I would advise drone operators to familiarise themselves with all the appropriate legislation so as to ensure they adhere to existing aviation laws and regulations, and be aware of the areas in our community where drone activity may pose a particular sensitivity."