Investigation underway after death in police custody

An investigation has been launched after a 32-year-old man died after taking ill while in police custody at St Leonard's police station on Tuesday morning.

He was taken to Royal Infirmary Edinburgh where he was later pronounced dead.

Police Scotland has informed the police watchdog, PIRC.

A Police Scotland spokeswoman said: "A 32-year-old man was arrested after he presented himself at St Leonard's Police Station around 23:30 on Monday 10 December.

"A few hours later, around 03:30 on Tuesday 11 December, he was found unwell within his cell.

"The Scottish Ambulance Service was contacted and he was taken to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary where he was later pronounced dead.

"Our thoughts are with the man's family at this time."