

89-year-old man dies following fatal collision in Leith Walk



Police are appealing for witnesses following a fatal road traffic collision on Leith Walk in Edinburgh yesterday.

At around 5pm last night, a black Renault Trafic van travelling towards the city centre was in collision with an 89 year old man who was crossing the road near to the junction of Crown Street.

He was taken to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary where he sadly passed away later that evening.

Inspector Roger Park of Edinburgh's Road Policing Unit said: "This tragic incident happened during rush hour in an incredibly busy part of the capital and I'm keen to speak to anyone who may have witnessed it but has not yet spoken to police. I'd also ask for anyone who may have dashcam footage

that may show the collision to please come forward.

"I would like to thank the travelling public for their support and patience whilst the road was closed at this peak period to enable medical assistance to be provided to the elderly gentleman, and to allow us to fully examine the scene."

Anyone with information should contact police on 101 quoting incident 2559 of Thursday 10th January.