Two men arrested in connection with disturbance in Clermiston

Two men have been arrested and charged following a disturbance in the Clermiston area on Sunday afternoon.

Around 5pm police received a number calls regarding an ongoing incident in the Clermiston Park and Clermiston Gardens areas.

A 17-year-old man and a 27-year-old man have since been arrested and charged in connection with alleged possession of offensive weapons.

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They were due to appear before Edinburgh Sheriff Court on Monday, 8 March, and a report was submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Further enquiries are ongoing into the wider disturbance involving a group of youths which occurred on Sunday evening, and police are appealing for any witnesses to come forward.

The two men will also be the subject of a report to the Procurator Fiscal in connection with the serious assault of a 48-year-old man in Drum Brae South around 3.25pm on Thursday, 4 March.

Chief Inspector Sarah Taylor, Local Area Commander for North West Edinburgh, said: "This type of mindless, irresponsible and reckless criminal behaviour will not be tolerated in our community and there will be additional patrols in the area.

"We are aware of ongoing issues with antisocial behaviour

which is completely unacceptable, particularly in the midst of a pandemic when people are being told to stay at home. Local officers are working with partners to address these issues and proactively put a stop to this.

"I would urge anyone with information or concerns regarding antisocial behaviour to contact Police Scotland through 101, or speak to officers out on patrol. Alternatively, you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Always dial 999 when a crime is in progress."