Gas explosion in Baberton

A house in Baberton was destroyed in what is believed to be a gas explosion on Friday evening.

Two people inside the semi-detached house were taken to hospital according to Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, but photos on social media show that the house has been completely flattened.

A spokesperson for the <u>Scottish Fire and Rescue Service</u> said: "We were alerted at 10.26 pm on Friday 1 December to reports of a gas explosion affecting residential properties on Baberton Mains Avenue in Edinburgh. Operations control mobilised five fire appliances and specialist resources to the area where firefighters worked to make the area safe. Two casualties were rescued prior to our arrival and the crews remain on scene."

Police closed the area around Baberton Mains Avenue.

Around 10.25pm on Friday,1 December, 2023 we were called to reports of an explosion at a property on Baberton Mains Avenue in Edinburgh.

Emergency services are at the scene, and we would advise people to avoid the area at this time. pic.twitter.com/PAtmUzwmf1

- Police Scotland Edinburgh (@PSOSEdinburgh) December 1, 2023