

Man 27 arrested following the attempted murder of a police officer in Edinburgh

A man has been arrested following the attempted murder of a police officer in Edinburgh.

The incident took place at a petrol station on Stenhouse Road, around 7.25pm on Tuesday, 9th July, 2024.

The 32-year-old male officer was on foot when he was injured in an incident involving a stolen Mercedes GLE. He was conveyed to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh with serious, but not life-threatening injuries, and has since been discharged.

The vehicle had been reported stolen from the Gorgie Road area around 7.05pm that evening. A 16-year-old boy was a passenger within the vehicle at the time of the theft and managed to exit the vehicle a short time later. He was not injured in the incident.

A 27-year-old man has been arrested in connection with numerous charges, including attempted murder, theft of a motor vehicle, abduction, dangerous driving and other road traffic offences. He is expected to appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court on Thursday, 11 July, 2024.

Detective Inspector David McAlinden said: "This was a very serious incident and we are continuing to provide support to the officer and his family.

"I would like to thank members of the public for quickly coming to our colleague's aid and for their assistance with

our enquiries at the scene.

“We are aware that damage was done to several vehicles in the area during the incident and we would encourage any further witnesses, or anyone with information who have yet to speak with police, to please come forward.

“You can contact police on 101, quoting incident 2997 of 9 July, 2024. Alternatively, Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 555 111, if you wish to remain anonymous.”