

Hit and run driver jailed for causing death by dangerous driving on Easter Road

A 26-year-old man has been jailed for four years and six months for causing death by dangerous driving in Edinburgh.

Ralph Fairhurst was sentenced at the High Court in Glasgow on Thursday, 7 November, 2024.

Officers were called to the fatal collision involving a car and a pedestrian on Easter Road around 2.40am on Sunday, 19 June, 2022.

The pedestrian, a 21-year-old man, was taken to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh however he died on Wednesday, 29 June, 2022.

Fairhurst, the driver of the car, fled the area and was traced by officers later that day.

Road Policing Sergeant Paul Ewing said: "Our thoughts remain with family and friends of the young man that lost his life, and I hope that today's sentencing brings them some comfort and allows them to move forward.

"Ralph Fairhurst showed absolutely no regard for the law and his reckless actions highlight the devastating consequences of dangerous driving and the lasting impact it has on those involved, along with their families and friends."