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Rescue of a Young Adult at Europa point

Personnel from the Gibraltar Fire and Rescue Service (GFRS) were involved in a rescue at Europa point on Tuesday 16th May.

At around 7pm the GFRS emergency control room received a call of a “child stuck on a tree whilst climbing down”. The Fire Control Operator dispatched an appliance as per GFRS mobilisation protocols for such incidents. On arrival the attending Officer quickly established that the person was uninjured and in a place of relative safety. A request for additional resources was made, and three extra officers and the GFRS’ rescue unit were deployed to the scene.

A rope rescue rig was set-up at the top of the Europa point promenade and a firefighter descended to the juvenile’s location. A pick-off rescue was performed, lowering the boy and the firefighter to the area below. At 19:41 a message back to Control confirmed that the boy was safe on firm ground.

The Gibraltar Fire and Rescue Service would like to advise the general public to be cautious at all times when venturing around Gibraltar. Climbing or descending cliffs is extremely dangerous and could have very serious consequences.