Five things you need to know today

Any ideas where this is? We really like the uplighters showing off a feature in one of Edinburgh's revived areas. Do you have any associated memories? Do tell us!

The Caledonian Mercury run by former Scotsman dot com editor, Stewart Kirkpatrick, is asking for donations on its site, to keep its journalism alive. The site claims to have a monthly visitor count of 100,000, but states that it cannot exist on advertising revenues alone. Food for thought! Perhaps we should install a donate by Paypal button....

<u>The Guardian Edinburgh</u> tells us about — and shows us the Robert Burns flashmob!



The Princess Royal is in town today — hence the heavy police presence. She will attend a Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration at St. Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh; and subsequently will attend a Reception at Signet Library, 11 Parliament Square, Edinburgh; and afterwards will attend a Dinner at New Club Edinburgh, 86 Princes Street, Edinburgh. Tomorrow she will be at the Save the Children shop in Stockbridge and she is officially opening the renovated part of The Royal Scots Club.

As you know we are always on the hunt for places with free wifi. Today we found a new one. Here is Captain Taylor's Coffee House on South Bridge. Free wifi — great coffee. Read our article on the official opening of the social enterprise.