

# Five things you need to know today

☒ The tram mediation is apparently progressing in much the same way as the project itself. [The Scotsman](#) has reported that it may take till after the May elections to get back to the mediation table. The talks came to an end yesterday when a statement was announced saying that the two sides had an understanding of the problems....

Here is the statement in its full glory....

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The Daily Record has taken a view on the RBS insurance boss who has just earned a £2m bonus whose Merchiston home is currently up for sale. It transpires that as part of his relocation package the Bank might step in to relieve him of the house and allow him to move to London to take up his new post. The Reporter knows this is normal practice at senior executive level, but of course anything concerning the taxpayer-funded bank now demands appraisal and attention. What do you think? Have you ever been in the same position as Paul Geddes? Do you think it is right for the employer to step in? We think this might be the house [here....](#) maybe it's for you?

A speed camera in Lothians & Borders has raised around £360,000 in fines since 2008 according to [STV](#) who also comment that the Lothian and Borders Safety Camera Partnership will not say where the camera is located.

On the National Library of Scotland [website](#) to say that there is a lot of information online is a massive understatement. Did you know, for example, that you can have a look at the first published English edition of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic adventure story, Kidnapped. Published in London in 1886 by Cassel and Company Limited you can view the complete

volume page by page.

And [Essential Edinburgh](#) has undergone some changes at the top recently, by appointing Denzil Skinner as chairman. They have issued Issue number 5 of their Essential Trends magazine which includes this nugget of information...*In January 2011 average footfall in some of Edinburgh's main streets was up 7.3% in comparison to January 2010. This is significantly more than the UK average at 1.8% and, thus, a positive indicator of the performance of our major streets.*