Five things you need to know today

Lovely crisp morning in Edinburgh !

Today is <u>Red Nose Day</u> in case you hadn't noticed. What are you doing to raise money?

The Scotsman refuses to let go of council leader, Jenny Dawe and her deputy Steve Cardownie over the evidence which they both gave to the Public Audit Committee. They report that MP Thomas Docherty used parliamentary privilege against them in Westminster yesterday. They also have a <u>separate article</u> about Councillor Cardownie's stance on the matter of the press release.

STV Edinburgh reveal the plans for the facelift at The Shore.

And here is an invitation for you....

Edinburgh Community Food AGM INVITATION

You are cordially invited to our Annual General Meeting

Where: The Melting Pot, 5 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 2PR

When: Tuesday 29 March 2011

Time: 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

What:

- Hear what ECF has been doing and has achieved
- Hear about the future plans for Edinburgh Community Food
- Speak to staff and Board members
- Refreshments available

RSVP: Please call 0131 467 7326 or email

kmiller@edinburghcommunityfood.org.uk to confirm your attendance.

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And you should have your census by 27th March 2011. You can fill it in as soon as it arrives provided your answers cover the people living or staying with you on the night of 27 March.

Scotland's Census say:-"It is very important to include everyone in your household because the census results are used to help to target and deliver billions of pounds worth of services such as education and transport, and business investment. So painting a picture of Scotland helps to shape our future."

Census Regional Manager for Edinburgh West, Alastair Macintyre said: "We are keen to ensure that there is sufficient support and assistance for everyone to complete their questionnaires with confidence. For the first time there is the option to complete online in English and Gaelic. Help will be available to those who need it online and from a dedicated Census Helpline which will go live on 7 March.

Help is available to those who need it from the helpline on: 0300 123 1702 or online at www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk

The Helpline will be able to supply census questions in:

- Braille
- Large print
- British Sign Language DVDs
- Audio clips CDs
- Arabic, Bengali, Cantonese, Farsi, French, Hindi, Polish, Punjabi, Tagalog, Turkish and Urdu.

The Helpline can support around 170 languages. Minicom/Textphone users can also access the Helpline services and a dedicated phone number will be used for this service.

The completion of the census questionnaire is required by law and everyone needs to be included.