

# Five things you need to know today



A 25 year-old man will appear at Edinburgh Sheriff Court later today charged in connection with the death of an elderly woman, Rosie Sutherland, in Longstone.

A couple of events involving a number 44 bus and, separately, a train are concerning police. Lothian and Borders Police are appealing for witnesses after a bus was damaged during an incident in the East of Edinburgh.

A Number 44 Lothian Bus was travelling east along Milton Road at around 7pm on Sunday when a bottle was thrown towards it.

The bottle smashed the bus's upper deck window and narrowly avoided striking a female passenger.

No one was injured during the incident. However, police are now urging anyone who can help identify those responsible to come forward.

Last Thursday (27th October) a brick was thrown from a bridge over the railway line in the Milton Road/Christian Crescent area and damaged the window of passing train.

Officers believe both incidents are linked and are carrying out local enquiries in the area.

A police spokesman said: 'These mindless acts of vandalism and aggression resulted in both a train and bus sustaining damage to their windows and it is pure luck that no one was injured during either incident.

'We believe the same individuals are responsible for the damage to both vehicles and would ask anyone who can assist

with our investigation to contact police immediately.

‘Similarly, anyone who was on Milton Road either yesterday or on Thursday, and can identify those responsible, is asked to get in touch.’

Anyone with any information can contact Lothian and Borders Police on 0131 311 3131, or the charity Crimestoppers in confidence and complete anonymity on 0800 555 111.

Southside Community Council has vacancies for new members. [STV Local has an article](#) which explains the reason behind the vacancies. The Neighbourhood Partnership website has the following information:-

*Southside Community Council is seeking nominations to fill vacancies for 10 elected members. Nominees must be over 16 years of age and appear on the electoral register for the area.*

### ***What is a Community Council?***

*Community councils are groups of local people who care about their community and want to make their area a better place to live. They meet, usually once a month and their primary purpose is to act as a voice for the local community. This involves gathering and putting forward the views of the community to the Council and other organisations including NHS Lothian and Lothian & Borders Police and Scottish Government. Community councils are non-party political bodies.*

### ***Interested?***

*Nominations start on **Monday 31 October** 2011 and close on **Monday 21 November** 2011. If an election is required it will be held on Wednesday **14 December** 2011.*

*Nomination forms are available from the Returning Officer at the address below or on the Council website*

at [www.edinburgh.gov.uk/communitycouncils](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/communitycouncils)

*Returning Officer, South Neighbourhood Office, 40 Captain's Road, Edinburgh, EH17 8HN, Email: [southteam@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:southteam@edinburgh.gov.uk), Tel 0131 529 5151.*

Fairmilehead Community Council meets tonight at 7.00 pm at Fairmilehead Parish Church Halls, 1 Frogston Road West .

Here is the agenda for tonight's meeting:-

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