Five things you need to know today

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Our photograph today shows the smoke from the 21 gun salute fired at Edinburgh Castle yesterday to honour the Prince of Wales who was celebrating his 63rd birthday.

The Edinburgh Makar, Ron Butlin, is to be incarcerated in a cage outside Holyrood today in support for the International Day for the Imprisoned Writer. More on STV Local.

Alex Salmond is opening the new premises to be occupied by Amazon in Fife and Edinburgh today, according to the BBC. The internet giant has created around 1000 jobs both here in the capital and in Dunfermline. This is another business moving into the Waverleygate office development at the east end of Princes Street to join NHS Lothian who are already in situ.

The new housing development at Royston Mains Crescent has been officially named after a former city councillor who died suddenly in 2008. Margo MacDonald MSP opened the housing project after Elisabeth Maginnis who had been a Labour councillor for 30 years, according to <u>STV Local</u>.

Stewart Blaik, chair of Leith Central Community Council, died suddenly last week. Mr Blaik's funeral will take place this Friday 18 November 2011 at 10.00am at Seafield. Family flowers only. The next meeting of the Community Council will take place on Monday 21st November 19:30 McDonald Road Library