

# Five things you need to know today



**The Edinburgh Lectures – Liveblog this morning – Trial of David Gilroy – Ryanair cutting Edinburgh services – Charlotte Square**

The Edinburgh Lectures are well underway and tonight broadcast journalist, Kate Adie OBE, is speaking. Unfortunately we are all too late to get tickets for this but there may still be some for other events. There is a [Facebook Page](#) for information.

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The Transport Infrastructure and Environment Committee meet this morning and we will bring you coverage from that meeting live. You can find this and all our other live webchats under the [Liveblog](#) heading.

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The trial of David Gilroy began at the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday. Gilroy is accused of murdering Suzanne Pilley in her office in Thistle Street or somewhere else. Her body has not ever been found. The trial continues today and is expected to last for six weeks. [The Herald](#) has a report of the first day's proceedings.

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[The BBC](#) report that Ryanair may cut their services from the summer.

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The plans for Charlotte Square are making some progress and you can see the full planning application which proposes “Improvements to the public realm around Charlotte Square North, South and West streets), including the rationalisation of the carriage way and subsequent creation of a new pedestrian space, Proposals include the installation of new hard surfaces, lighting columns, signage and street furniture.” on the [City Council Planning Portal](#).