

Five things you need to know today



Save City Park – Moredun – Ceilidh Club – Edinburgh Zoo – Libraries

A planning application was lodged in March to develop the land behind Ferry Road. The plans show 7 flats with car parking. The land has long been used as a football pitch, and the Save City Park campaign has grown up to try and stop the development. You have until tomorrow, 3 April 2013, if you wish to object to the proposal.

The intention was to replace the pitch with the new facilities at Ainslie Park which has been achieved, and as a result of that SportScotland have [lodged an email](#) which states that they will not offer any objection to the development, despite the potential loss of the pitch.

[The plans are on the Council website here.](#)

Details of [how to object are on the Save City Park website here.](#)



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The spotlight is on Moredun from today and for the rest of the week, with combined efforts from Police and council Neighbourhood Teams to make the area a nicer, safer place to

live.

Activities start this morning:-

Residents are invited to attend the following "drop-in" sessions, to hear more and to make their views heard:

- *Tuesday 2 April, 10am to 2pm: Police and Fire and Rescue Services will provide information on Cycle Safety and fire safety advice at Moredun library.*
- *Wednesday 3 April, 2pm to 4pm: Staff from the South Neighbourhood local office, CastleRock/Edinvar Housing Association and Neighbourhood Support Service will provide advice and assistance on Welfare Benefit Reform at the Goodtrees Neighbourhood centre.*
- *Thursday 4 April 10am to 2pm: Police and Fire and Rescue Services will provide information on Driver and Pedestrian Safety and Fire prevention at Moredun library.*
- *Friday 5 April, 12pm to 2pm: Police will provide cycle safety advice and bike marking at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.*
- *Saturday 6 April, 10am to 4pm: Police and Fire and Rescue Services will provide Crime Prevention information and Fire Safety Advice at Moredun library.*

On Tuesday we have the ceilidh club @ Summerhall where we have the Matthew MacLennan ceilidh band playing. Tickets are £6 on the door or in advance [from the Summerhall website](#) with everything kicking off at 8:30pm. We have made a slight change to the ticket selling with 70 tickets available for advanced online sales and the remaining tickets which will be available from the Summerhall box office from around 7:30pm on the night

of the ceilidh.

Going out for the day to the Zoo? Here is their map of all the attractions, built up over the last 100 years. It does not seem that the pandas are off limits yet but you do need to book a slot to go and see them. They will be secluded from public view when the moment is right for mating...if that ever happens!

[October Park Map2012](#)

You can also go to the Central Library to see the exhibition of the Zoo over the last 100 years, but the Scottish and Edinburgh collections at the library are closed for the next 12 weeks for refurbishment. If you want old copies of the Scotsman and the Edinburgh Evening News during this time you can find those in the Reference Library.

The exhibition is described by the Zoo:-

“Edinburgh’s Central Library will be hosting a special exhibition looking back at the last 100 years of Edinburgh Zoo. Packed with photos, memorabilia, stories and clippings, this is a fantastic opportunity to find out how the Zoo has grown and changed over the past century. We will also be taking a look into what the future holds in store for the Zoo.

The exhibition will be open from 3 April to 31 May 2013 at the Central Library, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh.

It is free to view and open during the library’s normal opening hours. Please visit the [Central Library’s website](#) for opening times.

The exhibition will move to the zoo from the beginning of

June, where you'll be able to see it during your visit."

Today at Oxfangs Library there is an activity for 11-16 year olds called Canvas Tattoo Art. Call 0131 529 5549 or email oxgangs.library@edinburgh.gov.uk to book your place.



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