

Five things you need to know today



Tram news – Read our LiveBlog – Museum Staff to strike – Chris Hadfield – Christmas jokes

In tram news there will be a liveried tram in St Andrew Square today showing off the colour scheme which will be used. Yes we know there is red in there – but the design and colours will not have been on display till now. The tram will be brought all the way in from Gogar this morning and then after the photo calls will go back out to the depot. So fear not! If you see the tram, your eyes are not deceiving you.

If you joined us yesterday evening for our liveblog with Chief Superintendent Mark Williams then you will already know that we covered a wide range of topics. He said it was the quickest hour and a half he had spent! There were many questions and the good thing is you can still read it all over [here](#) as it happened.



The [BBC](#) report that the staff at the National Museum of Scotland who are paid the minimum wage are to strike over enhanced pay for weekend working. It is not yet clear when the strike action might be taken.

Could you perhaps help us to get onto the local news list on the BBC? You will see the list if you click [here](#). It includes Leith FM and Guardian Edinburgh, both of which were great but are now defunct....

If you email the BBC we might manage to get The Edinburgh Reporter onto the list! newsonlinescotland@bbc.co.uk

Commander Chris Hadfield is visiting Edinburgh tomorrow. He will be signing books at Blackwells and then later at the Royal Observatory Edinburgh where he will be giving a talk. Both events seem to be sold out, but you can always try! Details of the ROE event [here](#).

This snippet of news just allows us to use that YouTube clip again of Commander Hadfield on the ISS singing and playing his guitar. Fabulous as well as out of this world....

In the manner of Christmas we would like to get some Christmas jokes going now that it is just over a week to go until the big day.... So over here on our [Facebook](#) page we might end up with a list of jovial Christmasness!

