

Five things you need to know today Edinburgh!



Edinburgh Trams – City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill – Blossom trees – Street Party – Tickling Jock!

We discovered that we have made 13 videos about Edinburgh Trams – and we have loads more footage to use!

You can watch some or all of them [by clicking here.....](#)

Next week the sixth meeting of the committee dealing with the bill which might allow the council to build a new high school for Portobello will be held at Holyrood.

City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill Committee

7 May 2014

6th Meeting, 2014

The Committee will meet at 8.30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. ***Decision on taking business in private:*** *The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.*

2. ***City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill:*** *The Committee will consider grouped objections to the whole Bill, taking evidence from objector group1 and the promoter–*

Stephen Hawkins, Diana Cairns, and Alison Connelly, members

of Portobello Park Action Group (PPAG), Group 1;

*Billy MacIntyre, Head of Resources, Children and Families,
and Iain Strachan, Principal Solicitor, Legal, Risk and
Compliance, City of Edinburgh Council;*

Charles Livingstone, Associate, Brodies LLP;

Ian Alexander, Design Director, JM Architects.

3. **City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill (in private):** *The Committee will consider its decisions on objections to the Bill.*

4. **City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill (in private):** *The Committee will consider key issues for its Consideration Stage report.*

5. **Work programme:** *The Committee will review its work programme.*

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 21 May, the Committee expects to consider a draft report in private on the Bill at Consideration Stage, Phase 1.

Before the blossom all disappears will you share your photos with us [over here please?](#) Edinburgh's streets are wonderful with all the pink blossom trees but it will not last!



A fascinating exhibition which showcases the big names of Scottish comedy in the twentieth century will end its popular run at the Scottish National Portrait Gallery on 11 May.

Tickling Jock: Comedy Greats from Sir Harry Lauder to Billy Connolly, supported by players of People's Postcode Lottery, brings together images of 50 stars including Lex McLean, John Laurie, Molly Weir, Rikki Fulton, Jack Milroy, Stanley Baxter, Johnny Beattie, Una Maclean and Ronnie Corbett, to celebrate Scotland's distinctive contribution to the world of entertainment.

Opening with a recording of Harry Lauder's 1904 song 'Stop Yer Tickling Jock', the exhibition includes paintings, photographs, sculptures and archival material, shedding an intriguing light on the country's comic traditions between 1900 and 1975.

Works from the Gallery's collections hang alongside significant loans from the Scottish Theatre Archive (University of Glasgow), the Citizens Theatre and the King's Theatre, Glasgow, as well as from private owners.

Imogen Gibbon, Chief Curator and Deputy Director of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery said: *'This exhibition offers an exciting opportunity for visitors to discover Scotland's distinctive contribution to the world of entertainment in the twentieth century. It has already proved popular with both young and older audiences, encouraging inter-generational dialogue. Why not come and step into the spotlight for yourself by entering the On Air booths to listen and watch comedy clips, or become a Tickling Jock by leaving a recording of a comedy performance.'*