

# Five things you need to know today

## Council meeting

Alan Cumming

Aldi open second store

Council need some mystery shoppers

Tonight at the Cameo

The full council meeting takes place this morning at the City Chambers. You can follow [online](#) if you are not in the public gallery.

Items on the agenda include approval of the compensation to be paid to the affected families in the Mortonhall affair who are represented by one firm of solicitors in Edinburgh.

The council is also offering to install two memorials in the city in answer to the recommendations in the report prepared by Dame Elish Angiolini.

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We missed being invited to meet Alan Cumming when he was here recently for the unveiling of his portrait by Christian which now hangs in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery. It was lovely therefore to find this video online.

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Aldi will be opening the doors to its second store in Edinburgh on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00am, with a special

golden ticket event.

The first one hundred people in the queue will be handed a golden envelope, each containing a prize. Customers will be in with the chance of winning a 24" TV/DVD Combi, Sat-Navs and DAB Radios, as well as a range of Aldi goodies.

To celebrate the opening, the store will also be donating fresh food and products from its Mamia range to the Gilmerton Community Centre, in support of their Mother and Toddler Group.

The store, located on Gilmerton Road, stands at nearly 1000sqm and has created 27 new jobs, providing a range of opportunities for local people. More information on all store roles can be found at: [www.aldirecruitment.co.uk](http://www.aldirecruitment.co.uk).

The store will be served by 135 car parking spaces and will feature around 1,350 product lines. Aldi prides itself on the high quality of its produce, so shoppers can expect fresh, locally sourced food throughout the store – Aldi in Scotland works closely with around 70 Scottish suppliers to source over 250 products across its 56 existing stores.

In addition to the opening day 'golden ticket' giveaway, Aldi will also be hosting several of its Scottish suppliers in the new Edinburgh store on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February with samples of Scottish products for customers to try. A number of suppliers are due to take part in the sampling days.

Aldi has also invited brand ambassadors from Quality Meat Scotland (QMS) to the new Edinburgh store during these two days, where they will be preparing cooked samples of Scotch Lamb Leg Steaks and Scottish Aberdeen Angus Ribeye and Sirloin Steaks for customers, all of which display the official Scotch mark.

"Specialbuys" occur every Thursday and Sunday and offer customers a range of products from fresh produce to electrical

goods. Aldi's opening week reduced "Specialbuys" include: Halogen Ovens (£14.99), Cordless Drills (£9.99) and 10" Tablets (£129.99).

The new store will be the first Aldi to open in Scotland in 2015, with seven planned in total, following a string of successful openings last year, including in Ellon, Inverurie, Airdrie, Inverness, Cambuslang, Ayr and Perth.

Aldi Store Manager, Marek Lasisz, said: "We are looking forward to opening a second Aldi in Edinburgh, following the success of the store on Gorgie Park Road. We hope that customers enjoy the special golden ticket event and all the amazing offers that are up for grabs.

"Aldi is proud to engage with the local community and hope that the Gilmerton Community Centre enjoys their donated products. We hope that this support ensures that the group can continue the excellent work they do for the area."

Following its launch, the store on Gilmerton Road, Edinburgh, EH17 7QS, will be open:

**Monday – Saturday:** 8.00am – 10.00pm

**Sunday:** 9.00am – 7.00pm

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Ever fancied being a mystery shopper? Then you could apply [here](#) to become a mystery shopper in Edinburgh and get paid for it!

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If you would like to know more about what is on at the Cameo tonight then listen to the podcast [here](#)

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