

Five things you need to know today



Sustainable Energy Action Plan for Edinburgh

Sammy celebrates 105th birthday!

Garden Globe courses

At the Assembly Roxy

Visitor Assistant job at Water of Leith Visitor Centre

The City of Edinburgh council plans to reduce carbon emissions in the city by 42% in the next five years. Some of the ways it will do that are due to be discussed at the Corporate Policy and Strategy committee meeting next Tuesday.

The work will be split into five separate areas including energy efficiency, renewables, district heating, resource efficiency and sustainable transport.

The council will report each year on its progress, and admits that the goal is not easy to achieve. It is a statutory duty owing to the Scottish Government's demand that local authorities report their carbon emissions.

Street lights and stair lighting will be replaced with LED lights but retrofitting some existing buildings in the city with low carbon solutions will pose a challenge so the council will start with the biggest public sector buildings first.

The consultation which took place last year involved community councils and other interested bodies and it will be important to get them to sign up to the new plans to ensure that they are implemented.

Plans are announced for an annual Energy Fair which will allow community renewable groups to get advice on their projects and a bold target of 15% of all commutes to be carried out on bikes by 2020 is set out in the plan. Energy for Edinburgh will be established this year to progress a range of key energy projects in the capital.

The draft plan is reproduced here.



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You can watch the meeting live or after the event on the council's webcast service [here](#)

Is Sam Martinez from Wester Hailes Edinburgh's oldest resident? Do you know anyone older than Sam who lives in Edinburgh? Then do tell us!

[Post](#) by [The Dove Centre and Dove Transport](#).



Garden Globe is running a FREE 3 week beginners course in cooking healthy meals with Edinburgh Community Food.

Workshop dates are:

Wednesday 11th March 11am-1.30pm

Wednesday 18th March 11am-1.30pm

Wednesday 25th March 3pm -5.30pm

"We ask participants to try and attend all workshops to get the most out of the course. (Sorry over 16s only!)"

6 spaces available – Contact Kirsten (Garden Development Worker) at the Jack Kane Community Centre."

Assembly Roxy is delighted to announce some of their upcoming programme of exceptional theatre as they bring a few Fringe favourites back to Edinburgh this spring.

The spring season kicks off with Lucy Porter's sell-out play

The Fair Intellectual Club (3-4 March), reuniting the original cast (Caroline Deyga, Jessica Hardwick and Samara MacLaren) and director (Marilyn Imrie) from their critically acclaimed Fringe run. Inspired by the real-life Edinburgh Club founded by a group of young ladies at the dawn of the Scottish Enlightenment, Porter's funny, challenging and moving tale of teenage love, friendship and betrayal is based on the Fair Intellectual Club's original manuscripts and provides a fascinating insight into a revolutionary period in Scottish history.

The Fair Intellectual Club

Venue: Assembly Roxy, 2 Roxburgh Place, EH8 9SU

Time: 19:30

Dates: 3 & 4 March 2015

Tickets: £13 (£10)

Bookings: assemblyfestival.com

If you are aged 20 to 24 and currently unemployed then you might be eligible for the job on offer at Water of Leith Visitor Centre. But hurry as applications close on Monday!

This role will be based at the Water of Leith Visitor Centre, in Slateford, Edinburgh. A four star visitor attraction which welcomes around 17,000 visitors and 150 visiting groups and schools annually. The Water of Leith Conservation Trust (WofLCT) works to conserve and enhance Edinburgh's river for more information about our work visit www.waterofleith.org.uk

The post is for 28 hours per week, for 26 weeks paid at a rate of £6.50 per hour. Only those aged 20 to 24 years old who are currently unemployed and claiming benefits will be eligible. To apply please contact your job centre advisor who will ask you to complete an application form and will check your eligibility.

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