Hibs enjoy their party before the open-top bus parade

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The Lord Provost the Rt Hon Donald Wilson invited the entire Hibs team, the officials, the Chairman and the club's single biggest shareholder, Sir Tom Farmer to a reception at Lothian Chambers today.

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The Lord Provost said that a lot of his job is bound up in tradition but he welcomed this opportunity: "I am so glad to be able to do something that the last 33 Lord Provosts have not been able to do! It had better not be as long the next time! There has been a great buzz in the city and this is a day to celebrate and savour and a day to enjoy. It may have been a long time comings let's make the most of it!

"Hibernian FC were established in 1875 in a hall just off St Mary's Street and today the open-top bus tour will start off a mere stone's throw from the birthplace of the club.

"I have had a lot of people congratulating me but I feel a bit of a fraud about it! Of course when I wear the Lord Provost's chain then I am representing the city and it is the city that is the winner today."

<u>The Edinburgh Reporter NEWS – Hibs celebration party at</u> <u>Lothian Chambers from Phyllis Stephen</u> on <u>Vimeo</u>.

Following short speeches by chairman Rod Petrie, Sir Tom Farmer and Alan Stubbs, the team took the cup with them on the gold open-top bus to begin the parade all the way to Leith Links.