

# Five things you need to know today



- **Cycling consultation**
- **Instagrammers on the Fringe**
- **Printing Press has new bosses**
- **Steam trip this weekend with Scotrail**
- **The Edinburgh International Book Festival**

Edinburgh residents are invited to help shape the proposed improvements to some of Edinburgh's dedicated routes for walking and cycling.

QuietRoutes are Edinburgh's local walking and cycling routes, and are perfect for trips out exploring the city. The routes have been designed for users of all abilities and are a great way to travel around the city avoiding the busy main roads.

The new consultations, which run until 4 September, seek feedback on proposed alterations to parts of QuietRoute 20 (Craigleith, Leith and Restalrig) and QuietRoute 61 (The Rosslyn Chapel Way).

[Read more here.](#)



Tag us @edinburghreporter in your Festival photos on Instagram and we will share them with our readers. We use [Instagram](#) for our special photos but we would love to share yours of the sights (and sounds!) of the Edinburgh festivals 2016.



The appointment of two of Edinburgh's most ambitious and successful characters in the city's food and drink industry

will collectively bring 30 years of knowledge and experience with their arrival at the Printing Press Bar & Kitchen on George Street.

Mike Lewis and Andrew Lennie have been welcomed into the fold with Mike taking on the role as General Manager and Andrew coming on board as Assistant General Manager. They are hoping to make their mark in the landmark venue, which opened its doors in October of last year.

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Celebrate the classic romance of steam travel, with a once in a lifetime chance to enjoy a 'Brief Encounter' with Scotland's stunning scenery this summer.

The perfect escape from Edinburgh's Festival madness, ScotRail's unique programme of steam train day trips will be running every weekend in August and September. Departing from Edinburgh Waverley, passengers can choose from a morning or evening trip to the **Scottish Borders** every Sunday, or be the first to travel by steam along the beautiful **Fife and Forth Valley Circular** in 85 years on Saturday 13 and 20 August.





Relaxing in the comfort of a beautifully refurbished vintage carriage, passengers can choose from a standard seating or the luxurious First Class gourmet dining experience.

Departing late morning 13 and 20 August, the Fife and the Forth Valley Circular route takes approximately five hours, travelling non-stop across the Forth Rail Bridge to the Kingdom of Fife, before heading West to Stirling Castle and returning to Edinburgh. First Class Premiere Dining packages cost £175 per adult, and £75 standard class. Family and child tickets are also available. Refreshments are also available to purchase on board.

The Borders Railway departs morning and afternoon every Sunday in August and September. Taking just under 4.5hrs, including time off the train to explore the attractions and sites of the Scottish Borders. Premier Dining packages available for £150 per adult and standard class adult £55. Family and child tickets are also available. Tickets are also available to pre-book for excursion trips on arrival in Tweedbank.


For further information and to book tickets visit: [www.scotrail.co.uk/steam-trains](http://www.scotrail.co.uk/steam-trains) or call 01483 209 888



The Edinburgh International Book Festival opens this weekend! Next week [Dr Book](#) tells us they will be there....to prescribe some books for you as your medicine!

*“We’re also visiting our friends at [Edinburgh International Book Festival](#) in Charlotte Square for the WHOLE DAY on the Friday 19th August. We will also be in attendance at the Schools Gala day on the 30th August and will be on hand to treat any reading emergencies caused by the return to school and the end of the Summer Reading Challenge!”*



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