

# Five things you need to know today

## Finance & Resources Committee today

The council's Finance & Resources Committee holds its bi-monthly meeting today at the City Chambers. The agenda and a link to the webcast which you can watch live or when the meeting has ended [can be found here](#). One of the items which they will decide today is whether to offer a long lease of the South Bridge Resource Centre to Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society who were just awarded millions by the UK Government for a capital project. The building has to be valued as part of due diligence but in 2019 it was valued at £1.19 million.

[Read more here.](#)



The South Bridge Resource Centre – a former school. PHOTO

# Edinburgh International Festival 2023

The International Festival has been well and truly launched with a press briefing last week, a photo call yesterday morning and an evening event for sponsors, press, councillors and many others. The festival is to branch out to 14 council wards in Edinburgh although there is scant mention of what that will look like in the official programme.

Meantime [read this article here](#) with some of our recommendations.

And enjoy our chat with Festival Director and internationally renowned violinist, Nicola Benedetti, CBE.

## North Edinburgh Community Festival

Something to look forward to in May – the North Edinburgh Community Festival is back for its second year in West Pilton Park. From noon until 5.30pm enjoy the music, food, arts and crafts, sports, and workshops.



## **TARTANSILK move onto the West End stage**

Edinburgh PR firm TARTANSILK have moved to the West End. Their new office is a full circle for Founder, Martin Hunt who worked in the same street back in the 1980s before he worked in London.

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## New York bound

Samba Drumming band Pulse of the Place will lead Tartan Day Parade in the Big Apple

By **PHYLIS STEPHEN**

**THE 25TH** New York City Tartan Day Parade will be led down Sixth Avenue on 15 April by Portobello's own Gail Porter accompanied by

around 30 young people from Edinburgh. They will all be wearing World Fair Trade Tartan which Tania Pramschuler Director of Hand Up Events uses to promote Scotland in its tenth year as a Fair Trade Nation.

As part of the band's fundraising efforts thirty young drummers accompanied by Gail, marched across the Forth Road Bridge, drumming all the way. And, in what is being called Bridge to Bridge, they

will also parade and drum over the Brooklyn Bridge when they are in the US.

Pulse of the Place, based in the capital, is a youth samba drumming band and has been in existence for

about 15 years. Previously, the group has been part of the entertainment at the 2012 Paralympics, and has toured to places such as Brighton Manchester and Liverpool.

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