

# Five things you need to know today

## Cole-Hamilton's claims "simply inaccurate"

Our Sunday long read outlines the claims by Edinburgh Western MSP Alex Cole-Hamilton over what he described as a "special dispensation" for the purposes of democracy allegedly given to him by then Justice Secretary to convene a meeting in the Gyle Park in August 2020, but in respect of which there is no trace.

This is the claim Mr Cole-Hamilton made:

*This is what Mr Cole-Hamilton said at a more recent meeting and what has been proven untrue – read our article [pic.twitter.com/5D0lCsafye](https://pic.twitter.com/5D0lCsafye)*

*– Edinburgh Reporter (@EdinReporter) [July 30, 2023](#)*

[Read more here.](#)



Alex Cole-Hamilton Liberal Democrat MSP for Edinburgh Western at the public meeting in Gyle Park on 28 August 2020 ©2020 The Edinburgh Reporter

## **Uniqlo is coming to Princes Street**

At last a major quality brand is coming to Princes Street, in a move which endorses Edinburgh's place as a retail destination.



The Cockburn who keep a watching brief on the World Heritage Sites noticed that there is a planning application 23/03287/ADV to put up an outside sign with illuminated signage behind glass in the interior of the shop at 64 Princes Street.

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# **Join the Cheyne Gang Choir**

At Oxbgangs Neighbourhood Centre the hour will perform this morning – and the second half is a sing-a-long.



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EDINBURGH'S FREE LOCAL NEWSPAPER...A CAPITAL READ FROM START TO FINISH



## The King's Men

The Royal Company of Archers competed in The Edinburgh Arrow, displaying their skills as The King's Bodyguard in Scotland

By PHYLIS STEPHEN

EDINBURGH USUALLY hosts events during Royal Week in early July, but this year the Royal Honours of Scotland will be presented to His Majesty King Charles III and Her Majesty Queen Camilla during their first visit to Scotland since the Coronation. Thousands are expected to line the Royal Mile on 5 July.

The Honours of Scotland consist of the Crown, the Sceptre and the new Elizabeth Sword crafted in memory of the late Queen. The State Sword is too fragile for public use, so a new one has been made. The Stone of Destiny will also be in St Giles' for the service which will be broadcast live on TV.

The Royal Company of Archers are the Sovereign's Bodyguard in Scotland and each year are invited by the Lord Provost to compete for the Edinburgh Arrow on Bruntsfield Links. Our photo shows archer Ian Davie taking his turn.

Alan Simpson, OBE, DL, is a captain in The Royal Company. He said: "The Edinburgh Arrow was won by Colonel Charlie Wallace which was very satisfactory as he is the Secretary who does all the work. He was central in organising all the parades in September last year for the Queen's funeral, then for the Coronation and he has been working flat out on the parades to welcome His Majesty to Holyrood Palace and to St Giles as well.

"Everybody was delighted that he won. The person who wins the most points wins the arrow and Charlie 'hit the clout' twice - which is no mean feat from 180 yards."

In total during Royal Week there will be around 250 archers on parade.

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