

Five things you need to know today

Improving pedestrian crossing times

The council's Transport and Environment meets on Thursday when it will discuss how to resolve delays to pedestrians at pedestrian crossings.

It was Cllr Danny Aston who first raised the matter in November last year asking for some of the delays to pedestrians to be reduced. He asserted that according to Sustrans Scotland 40% of Edinburgh's pavements did not meet minimum width and there were nearly 17,000 substandard dropped kerbs in the city.

Cllr Aston asked for a report on progress and that the report would include options for increasing the "green man" time allowed for pedestrians at both pelican and puffin crossings.

There are 655 sets of signals on the council's adopted road network. It is standard practice for standalone pedestrian crossings to have a maximum vehicle green man time of 20 seconds. There is a safety period of about 4 to 6 seconds after that before the pedestrian green man appears.

Some pedestrian crossings are operated on fixed time scales and others are activated by vehicles depending on the speed limit on the road.

Council officers say they are working to identify signalised junctions where pedestrian waiting times can be reduced and in the first place they are looking at school locations.

Read the papers and watch the meeting either at the City Chambers in person or by watching the webcast. [The links are](#)

[here.](#)

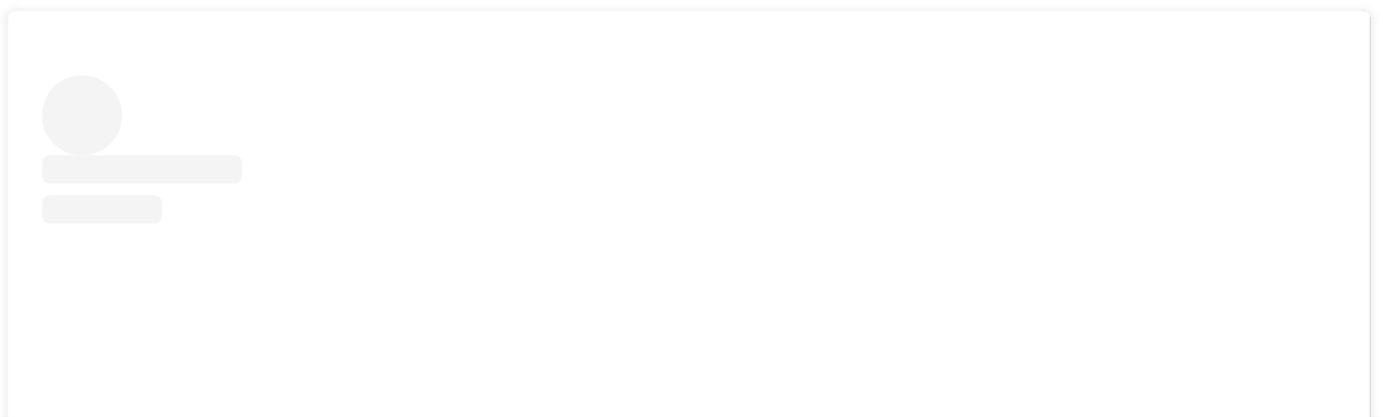
Living Streets Edinburgh reviewed the crossing times on signalised crossings in 2022 and produced a report. [Read that here.](#)



International Women's Day Parkour Workshop

At this workshop participants might learn how to jump vault and swing safely – all women and girls aged 13+.

Meet at the Pitt Market





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A post shared by Nina Ballantyne (@accessparkournina)

Dumbiedykes Residents Meeting

A meeting is being convened of local residents in Dumbiedykes on Wednesday 12 March at 6pm.

This meeting will be restricted to residents **only** who are invited to discuss local issues.

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Edinburgh, showing a dense urban landscape with various buildings and a large residential complex in the foreground. The residential complex consists of several multi-story buildings with light blue and white facades, arranged around a central green space. The background shows a cityscape with a prominent church spire and a bridge in the distance, all under a hazy, golden sky.

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**WEDNESDAY
12th MARCH**

6pm

BRAIDWOOD CENTRE

Paul Tweed at Royal Scots Club In Edinburgh



FROM HOLLYWOOD TO
HOLLYWOOD

My Life as an International Libel
Lawyer to the Rich and Famous

PAUL TWEED

International libel lawyer Paul Tweed who is based in Belfast, will begin a tour later in March with an event at the Royal Scots Club on Monday 17 March which is open to the public and can be booked [here](#).

At Earth in Common

On 8 March everyone is invited to join Earth in Common on Leith Links to use decorative embroidery stitches to raise awareness of environmental, feminist, social or political issues. with Remode Collective from 2pm to 5pm.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/activist-embroidery-tickets-1246436899319?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep_tld=1

