
FIRST TUESDAY [News Reviews from 2014](#)

The First Tuesday discussions on *current affairs* aim to provide attendees with a way of developing and testing their understanding of a range of current affairs topics; improving their journalistic capabilities so that they can write opinion or comment style articles for the regional or national media or blogs, respond with a thoughtful angle on radio chat shows, TV talk shows or maybe just have an interesting angle to respond at work with.

The topics discussed in September 2014 were:

- [Israel, Gaza and Boycotts](#) - introduced by [Simon Belt](#)
- [Scottish Independence](#) - introduced by [Mark Iddon](#)

The topics discussed in May 2014 were:

- [Anti-Fracking Politics](#) - introduced by [Mark Iddon](#)
- [Caledonian Carbon](#) - introduced by Joanne Green

The topics discussed in April 2014 were:

- [Ukraine: as European as Farage](#) - introduced by [Simon Belt](#)
- [Let's Kick Censorship Out of Football](#) - introduced by [Mark Iddon](#)

The topics discussed in March 2014 were:

- [Do we get the news we deserve?](#) - introduced by [Julia](#)
- [Whole-Life Orders](#) - introduced by [Sundeep Athwal](#)

The topics discussed in February 2014 were:

- [Playing politics with education](#) - introduced by [Simon Belt](#)

- [Apologies: in place of politics](#) - introduced by [Denis Joe](#)

The topics discussed in January 2014 were:

- [Y Viva Bulgaria! Carbon Budgets](#) - introduced by [Joanne Green](#)
- [House price fears: what's the issue?](#) - introduced by [Simon Belt](#)