

TramForward

Campaigning for Light Rail

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TramForward congratulates Nottingham Express Transit on 50 millionth passenger

TramForward congratulates Nottingham Express Transit (NET) on carrying its fifty millionth passenger this week on its Line One (Nottingham Station to Phoenix Park and Hucknall).

Line One opened in 2004, since when it has carried around 10 million passengers per year, while achieving a customer satisfaction rate of 92 per cent. The tram has encouraged industrial and commercial development in Nottingham and Hucknall and has contributed to inward investment to the East Midlands in general.

To mark the occasion on Tuesday 9 June at 10am, at the Station Street tram stop, Councillor Jane Urqhart (Nottingham City Council's Portfolio Holder for Transport and Area Working) presented the 50 millionth tram passenger with 50 days free travel and a bottle of champagne.

TramForward looks forward to the speedy progression of NET's Lines 2 & 3 which will bring the benefits of modern tram travel to further parts of the Nottingham region.

NOTES FOR EDITORS

1. *TramForward* is the campaigning arm of the Light Rail Transit Association.
2. The Light Rail Transit Association is the world's leading organisation campaigning for better public transport through light rail, tramway and metro systems in our towns and cities for 70 years. It also supports the revitalisation of suburban and rural transport through the application of light rail.
3. The LRTA acts through its network of local branches, which campaign for better transport in their localities.
4. Membership of the LRTA costs under 12p a day. To join, visit www.lrta.org or write to the Membership Secretary, LRTA, 38 Wolseley Road, Sale, Greater Manchester, M33 7AU. Members of the LRTA receive the monthly magazine *Tramways & Urban Transit* - written and read by experts in the field - and gain other benefits including discounts on videos and books, tours of transport systems and cut-price admission to selected transport sites.
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