

# **TramForward**

## *Campaigning for Light Rail*

**PRESS RELEASE FROM** *TramForward*

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### *TramForward* welcomes extra trams for Croydon

TramForward welcomes the announcement by Transport for London that they are proposing to lease up to ten additional trams for the London Tramlink network and have issued an invitation to bid. The additional trams, which might be new or second-hand, would enable the service frequency on the Croydon to Elmers End route to be increased to cater for increased passenger numbers.

The London Borough of Croydon has expressed an intention to contribute towards the cost of the trams, subject to a final cabinet decision later this month [i.e. Feb]

Geoff Lusher, Chairman of the Light Rail Transit Association, said “we have long held the view that additional capacity is needed on Tramlink to cater for the year-on-year increase in passenger numbers and congratulate Transport for London on this decision. We urge the London Borough of Croydon to confirm its welcome support for this much needed improvement.”

#### **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](http://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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