

# **TramForward**

## *Campaigning for Light Rail*

**PRESS RELEASE FROM *TramForward***

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### ***TramForward* welcomes TramTrain approval**

***TramForward* welcomes the statement from Transport Minister Norman Baker that the pilot project to run TramTrains between Sheffield and Rotherham is to go ahead.**

**As well as providing improved transport connections between the two Yorkshire cities from 2015, it is to be hoped that the two year pilot scheme will lead to acceptance in the UK of the technology allowing vehicles to operate on both railway and tramway that has already proved so successful in Germany and other European countries.**

**The pilot project has been a long time in planning but *TramForward* hopes that it will be the forerunner of TramTrain operation in other parts of the country.**

### **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 75 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 about 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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