

TramForward

Campaigning for Light Rail

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Tram Campaigner and Scottish Officer for the Light Rail Transit Association, Vic MacKinlay, said. "We are very pleased that the Association has chosen Edinburgh for its Annual Officers' Conference. The meeting will review the progress of light rail and tramway developments throughout Great Britain. Edinburgh has been chosen because it is a particularly good example of regional bus and tram integration, cost effective fare operation, coupled with reliability and high frequency. We hope delegates will learn a great deal from the Edinburgh experience."

Delegates will be addressed by John Mason MSP who is Chair of the Holyrood All Party Rail Group. He has long championed investment in public transport to improve health and job opportunities. Participants will also hear of the proposals to extend the Edinburgh tramway to Newhaven.

Paul Rowen, Chairman of the Light Rail Transit Association said "We look forward to hearing about Transport for Edinburgh's operational initiatives which have scored high passenger satisfaction in recent national surveys."

NOTES FOR EDITORS

1. **TramForward** is the campaigning arm of the Light Rail Transit Association (LRTA).
2. The LRTA is the world's leading organisation campaigning for better public transport in urban areas through light rail, tramway and metro systems and has been in existence for more than 80 years. It also supports the revitalisation of suburban and rural transport through the application of light rail and TramTrain technology.
3. The LRTA acts through its network of local branches, which campaign for better transport in their areas.
4. Membership of the LRTA costs less than 15p a day. To join, visit www.lrta.org or write to the Membership Secretary, LRTA, 38 Wolseley Road, Sale, Greater Manchester, M33 7AU. Members 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 museums.

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