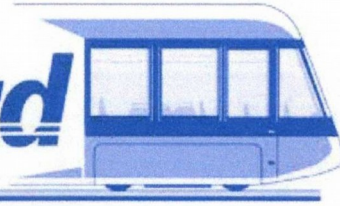




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Successful Conference on Trams for Bath

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TramForward congratulates Bath Trams and its Chairman, Dave Andrews, on a successful Conference on Trams for Bath on Saturday 24 November. The conference, which was sponsored by Colas Rail and Ultra Light Rail Partners, was introduced by Wera Hobhouse, MP for Bath, chaired by LRTA Vice-President Andrew Braddock and was attended by around 75 delegates, including several councillors from the Bath & North East Somerset Council and the West of England Combined Authority.

The conference explored the re-introduction of trams to Bath as a solution to the traffic congestion and associated pollution issues in the city, with the potential to be a stimulus to Bath's economy by facilitating movement into and within the city.

The conference included presentations by Councillor Tim Warren, Deputy Mayor for the West of England Combined Authority and Leader of Bath & Northeast Somerset Council, and Cllr Mark Shelford, Cabinet Member for Transport and Highways, Bath & Northeast Somerset Council, as well as several experts from the tramway and light rail field, including a number of members of the Light Rail Transit Association.

Jim Harkins, Chairman of the LRTA Campaigns Group, who spoke at the conference, said "it is encouraging to see the place of trams in Bath's future transport policy being taken seriously by the Bath & North East Somerset Council and now also being considered for the wider Bristol region by the West of England Joint Committee and the West of England Combined Authority."

NOTES

1. The LRTA (<http://www.lrta.org/>) 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.

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