



Transport for the North and Traveline Joint Fares Information Project

Transport for the North (TfN) and Traveline Information Limited are excited to announce that they have formed a strategic partnership to deliver a fares information project for the North of England and Great Britain.

The complementary skills, experience and operational advantages of our two organisations will shape a project that meets customers' needs by building on existing stakeholder capabilities, expertise and investment across the public and private sector. This will provide new and better ways to create, quality check and publish data.

Phase 1 of the project will deliver single, return, day and longer season ticket fares for bus, ferry and light rail as part of existing information services and for publication as open data.

The project has been divided into distinct deliverables with each organisation leading according to its strengths, and both being included in the team for each deliverable.

Transport for the North will concentrate its resource on pilot development and stakeholder engagement in the North in Phase 1, particularly with SMEs. Traveline will provide technical advice and oversight in the procurement and roll out stages of TfN led deliverables.

Traveline will work with existing software and processes through supplier and stakeholder engagement across Great Britain.

Phase 1 Fares data will begin to appear on traveline.info in Q1 2018. Transport for the North will provide review on systems design and data presentation.

TfN and Traveline will be working together to deliver this project and are committed to ensuring a coordinated and well communicated approach to project management. We will ensure that we keep our stakeholders up to date with the project progress and have agreed a shared communications approach to doing so.

In support of this project, TfN will be running a <u>hack day</u> with the Open Data Institute in Leeds on 10th October, where app developers and data enthusiasts will be provided existing fares information to create prototypes that improve the presentation of fares data for customers. Prior to this, TfN and Traveline will be holding a joint workshop of northern bus operators, with more information to follow on this.

Both organisations look forward to working with you on this next step towards better information for public transport customers in the North and throughout the UK.