

Trams to run in city centre tonight as part of testing process



Hundreds are expected to turn out tonight to witness a piece of history when the first tram for more than 57 years will travel along the city's famous Princes Street, however anyone hoping for a lift could be in for a long wait.

At 11pm, one of the new trams will start at Haymarket then travel at walking speed, along West Maitland Street then Shandwick Place before reaching Princes Street as part of a testing process ahead of the go-live date next May.

The trams will be accompanied by engineers and will undergo a number of checks as they travel the 1.7 mile route.

The testing will end around 4am and motorists have been advised to expect delays in the area.

As testing progresses over the coming weeks the frequency and speed of trams will increase, though prior to the New Year there are likely to be very few runs.