

East Coast Buses want you to meet their new buses!



If you live or work in East Lothian or just want to have a day out from the city then East Coast Buses offer you an alternative to driving. Now the bus company are going to put their brand new buses on display for you to come and have a look at them.

The company announced a major upgrade to public transport in the county and will show the vehicles off at a free family event on Saturday 22 April between 11am – 2pm at Archerfield Walled Garden.

The company will showcase five of the fifteen new buses recently purchased by the company, built especially for the East Lothian routes at a cost of over £3m.



High backed leather seats and free WIFI are some of the features of the new buses





USB charging ports



Euro 6 vehicles produced by Wrightbus for East Coast Buses Visitors can explore the new buses and will even get the chance to sit in the driver's cab.

The event also features activities from Foxlake Adventures, a craft workshop by local business Fingers and Thumbs and a competition to win an annual Family Membership for National Trust for Scotland. There will also be a bouncy castle and face painting to keep the whole family entertained.

All visitors who travelled on East Coast Buses to the event will be provided with free fairy dust for the magical Fairy Trail on the day at Archerfield Walled Garden.



Mark Heritage is General Manager of East Coast Buses a subsidiary of Lothian Buses which runs services to the main towns in East Lothian.

Mark Heritage, General Manager, East Coast Buses said: "This event is to celebrate the local community in East Lothian and to thank them for choosing to support our services.

"We are committed to providing the best possible experience for customers, which is why we've invested in these new vehicles and in our service provision.

“We look forward to welcoming visitors on board at the event and hope to see many local faces turn up for what should be a great day out.”

The new Euro 6 vehicles have been created with the customer’s comfort in mind, featuring high back leather seats, USB charging points, free Wi-Fi and on board audio and visual announcements. The vehicles are the longest ever produced by manufacturer Wrightbus at 13.2m and are finished to a very high standard.

In March, East Coast Buses revealed that customer demand had resulted in two new routes being introduced to boost travel opportunities in the area. The news came only eight months after the services were taken over from the previous operator.

A new express route X5 has been created from North Berwick to Edinburgh city centre, while connections between Musselburgh, Haddington and Dunbar have been improved through the introduction of Service 106, a new direct link.

11 new jobs are being created as a result of the full package of changes and follow a major investment by East Coast Buses in the refurbishment of its Musselburgh Headquarters.

The existing Service 107 will include a new link in Dunbar between the High Street and Asda and Service 113 will be extended to West Granton providing new connections to Edinburgh College campuses. Further improvements are also set to be introduced on the Nighthawk Service.

These are the routes and fares :




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