

Lothian recognised at the Scottish Transport Awards

Lothian the company who run our bus services here in Edinburgh won the big prize at the Scottish Transport Awards. They were named Scotland's public transport operator of the year.

The company has created 100 new jobs during the year and continues to modernise its fleet, always trying to make it more environmentally friendly.

They have also begun the new East Coast Buses and Lothian Country to take over where Stagecoach left off. South Queensferry now has a bus service again thanks to Lothian.



Richard Hall, Lothian's Managing Director said: "Across our business at Lothian we employ over 2500 people and this award is for every one of them. Every day our teams go above and beyond, to deliver excellence in customer service and operational delivery.

"We invest heavily in our fleet, services and people and we're delighted that this award further underlines our reputation as one of the most innovative and dynamic bus operators in the UK. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for continuing to choose Lothian to travel in and around Scotland's capital"

Transport Convener and Chair of Transport for Edinburgh, Councillor Lesley Macinnes, said: "This is a fantastic win for Lothian – congratulations to all those involved in making this service such a success. With passenger numbers continuing to rise and consistently high customer satisfaction, it's easy to see why Lothian is so valuable to our city – well done!"

Now in its 16th year, the prestigious awards ceremony brings together the transport community to recognise and celebrate industry achievements across Scotland.

Supported by the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland, this year's event was held at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Glasgow. It was hosted by comedian and radio presenter Fred MacAulay and featured a key note address from Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work at the Scottish Government.