

# **Remember the new fares on the buses and trams**

**Just a reminder before you go for your bus or tram in the morning that fares have been increased on the buses and trams from 2 February 2020.**

Bus and tram fares have increased from Sunday :



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## BUS FARES

- Adult single fares on Lothian have increased by 10p to £1.80 for a single ticket
- Adult Daytickets, which offer unlimited travel on the date of purchase, have increased by 50p to £4.50
- Child Single fares will increase by 10p to 90p
- Child Daytickets will increase by 20p to £2.20

Lothian's season ticket Ridacard, which was last increased in 2018 will also be raised to £20 per week for an adult and £10 for a child. Airport fares will remain the same.

Nigel Serafini Commercial Director at Lothian, said: "Lothian is committed to providing environmentally sustainable, best value travel. As our operating costs continue to rise and we continue to invest in fleet, people, training and our customer offering, we will be making changes to fares from 2 February.

"98p of every £1 we receive in fares goes directly back into the running of our business and provision of services. Across the last decade we have invested heavily in cleaner, greener buses for the benefit of all our customers and our capital city, lessening the impact on the environment, while continuing to develop and provide a comprehensive network of services across the Edinburgh city region.

"As well as continuing our investment in new environmentally friendly vehicles across 2020, Lothian is currently in the process of renewing its Real Time Customer Information system. This system plays a vital role in helping us monitor and control services, as well as allowing customers to track bus arrivals.

"Our revised fares continue to represent excellent value for money and remain amongst the lowest in the UK."

With the popularity of capped contactless payments increasing, customers on Lothiancity services using the same contactless

card or device all day will now also benefit from the cheapest daily adult fare, saving 10p on the revised Day Ticket price.

[www.lothianbuses.co.uk](http://www.lothianbuses.co.uk)

## **Edinburgh Trams have increased their fares too, by much the same margins.**

### **TRAM FARES**

- Adult Single fare in the city £1.80
- Adult Return fare in the city £3.40
- Child Single £0.90
- Child Return £1.80
- Adult airport single £6.50 and return £9.00

Remember that if you buy a DAYticket for £4.50 per Adult fare you can use that on buses and trams all day long and a family DAYticket costs £9.50.

<https://edinburghtrams.com/>

Lea Harrison Managing Director Edinburgh Trams said : “This is the first fares increase since early 2018. Over the years we have made significant improvements within the current line, more trams to meet with demand and running earlier and later. Increasing fares is never a popular choice, but it has been a necessary decision for Edinburgh Trams to make. These fare changes will help us to remain competitively priced, whilst allowing us to make more changes for the benefit of the customer.”

George Lowder, Chief Executive Transport for Edinburgh, and Chair of UK Tram said : “With public transport usage in the UK in decline, both Edinburgh Trams and Lothian have worked tirelessly to buck this trend to ensure Edinburgh has an

integrated transport system, worthy of the capital city, and the surrounding areas that support and feed its success.”

Councillor Karen Doran, Transport and Environment Vice Convener Councillor said: “As a council owned organisation we’ve worked closely with Edinburgh Trams to ensure that these fares increases deliver value for money. We want to make sure that this continues to be a successful service while remaining accessible to all.”



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