

Metro Re-invigoration project



Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority and Nexus have put forward plans for the £600m 'Re-invigoration of Metro'

A 20 year-plan would provide:

- New ticket machines at all stations capable of taking coins, notes, debit and credit cards
- Ticket barriers at 13 main stations to help control fraud by 2009
- Complete £15.7m refurbishment of the existing Metrocars and their future replacement with a new generation fleet costing £163m
- More than £58.1m to modernise stations, improve waiting areas, information systems and walking routes.
- Complete overhaul of signalling, communications, track, bridges and tunnels – the oldest of which date back to 1847

Nexus will also seek funding for:

- The Pelaw to Jarrow track dualling scheme including an additional station
- Substantial modernisation of North Shields, South Shields and Heworth stations
- Better Park-and-Ride facilities at other stations

