

TYNE AND WEAR PASSENGER TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

The Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority is a joint authority, established under the Local Government Act 1985, which is responsible for co-ordinating policy on all functions relating to public transport and for operating the Tyne Tunnels. It comprises members of each of the five District Councils of Tyne and Wear.

In accordance with the Transport Levying Bodies Regulation 1992, the PTA issues a levy on the District Councils apportioned on the basis of resident population.

	2006-2007 £'000	2007-2008 £'000
GROSS EXPENDITURE		
- Tyne Tunnel	7,871	7,685
- New Tyne Crossing (preliminary costs)	1,794	516
- PTA	4,072	4,272
- Nexus (Grant from PTA* & External Grants)	88,155	95,821
	101,892	108,294
INCOME		
- Tyne Tunnel	(12,271)	(13,526)
- Interest on PTA Revenue Balances	(63)	(101)
	(12,334)	(13,627)
NET EXPENDITURE	89,558	94,667
RESERVES		
Contribution to Tyne Tunnel Reserves	(2,606)	(5,325)
Contribution from PTA Reserves	500	162
Contribution from Nexus Reserves	0	2,609
EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENT	91,664	97,221
FUNDED BY:		
- PTA Levy	65,057	67,409
- Rail Grants & Miscellaneous Grants	26,607	29,812
FUNDING AGREED BY COMMITTEE	91,664	97,221

* The PTA makes an annual grant to the Tyne & Wear Passenger Transport Executive (Nexus) in respect of revenue support and concessionary travel.

	2006-2007	2007-2008
PTA Budgeted Staff Numbers (Full Time Equivalent)		
Tyne Tunnels	104.38	103.38

The variation in the expenditure requirement between years is explained in terms of:

	£'000
Budget reductions	(2,801)
Inflation and other cost pressures	1,985
Increase in Grant payment to Nexus	7,666
Increase in PTA/Tyne Tunnel income	(1,293)
	5,557