

Appendix A: Comparison senior offer to other combined authority areas

Area	Tyne & Wear (Nexus)	Merseyside (Mersey Travel)	Greater Manchester (TfGM)	West Midlands (TfWM)	West Yorkshire (Metro)
Offer	Pay £12 a year for free travel on the tram, Shields Ferry and on Northern Rail services between Newcastle and Sunderland. (for Tyne & Wear residents, £24 non-resident).	Free train and ferry travel within Merseyside	Pay £10 a year for off-peak travel on tram and trains within Greater Manchester.	Free travel on: •trains within a specified zone from 9.30am to 11.59pm •trams from 9.30am until the last service of the day	Half-fare, off-peak train travel within West Yorkshire. Off-peak is Monday to Friday after 09:30 until 16:00, then after 18:30.
Yearly charge	£12 for Tyne & Wear residents	N/A	£10	N/A	N/A
Takes revenue risk on tram*	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	N/A
Gated stations or tap on-/off readers	Yes – tram No – train (due 2023)		Yes – tram & train		
% take up of offer (eligible ENCTS Senior)	25%	N/A	32%	N/A	

*If an area takes the revenue risk on the tram there is no reimbursement to pay, therefore it is nil cost to the combined authority, albeit they will suffer revenue loss having the concession in place.

**Mersey offer an additional offer for residents aged 60+ to be able to buy a card to benefit from the 66+ age range offer. This figure includes rail travel for the 76,000 residents who have taken up the offer.