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## Better buses introduced to help play an important part in the economic and environmental recovery of Newcastle's city and Quayside

From today, bus operator Go North East is introducing an upgraded fleet of buses on its Quaylink Q3 service, relaunching it as 'QuayCity' and with a striking new black and yellow brand.

The revitalised QuayCity Q3 provides a frequent bus link up to every 15 minutes across Newcastle's city centre and Quayside, plus links in from Great Park, Gosforth and Wallsend, seven days a week.

The improved buses feature more comfortable seating, USB charging points, free Wi-Fi, next-stop audio-visual announcements and comply with the latest generation clean diesel Euro 6 emission standards, ensuring early compliance with the expected Newcastle Clean Air Zone.

QuayCity buses can be tracked on the Go North East website and app, with live departure times and moving buses on a map, and a range of great value tickets are available on too, including all day travel for £4 and £14 weekly tickets.

Network One tickets are also accepted, providing an integrated travel option with other bus operators, the Tyne and Wear Metro, with connections at Haymarket and Wallsend, and the Shields Ferry.

Commenting on the improvements, Martijn Gilbert, managing director of Go North East, said: “These head-turning buses boast all the latest features to give commuters, shoppers and leisure travellers alike a modern, dynamic and sustainable way to get around our city.

“Meeting the latest Euro 6 low emission bus standards, and with buses emitting far lower emissions per passenger journey and taking up considerably less road space than cars, they can play an important role in reducing congestion and improving air quality.

“These buses connect retail, leisure, jobs, education and local communities. Good quality local transport is more important than ever now and we’re very serious about doing all we can to get people onto public transport and play our part.

“Now is the time for our city’s employers, visitor attractions and retailers to get on board and fully embrace this in order to make it easier for more people to get back into Newcastle and aid the recovery of our city from the pandemic.”

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