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SENRUG to Hold Local Community Meetings

SENRUG, the group that campaigns for better rail services in South East Northumberland, is holding a series of public meetings in local communities across South East Northumberland.

The group are concerned that many people think they are just focussed on bringing about improvements at Morpeth station, and getting the Ashington Blyth & Tyne line re-opened. But SENRUG Chair Dennis Fancett is anxious to get the message across that the voluntary group are pursuing a number of different campaigns. “We also campaign for better services at locations such as Pegswood and Widdrington, significant improvements at Cramlington, more intercity services at Morpeth, proper bus / rail integration at all appropriate stations. And once the main trunk of the Ashington Blyth & Tyne Line is re-opened, we want to see further extensions to include locations such as Blyth, Newbiggin and Choppington” said Dennis.

“However, we need people living in these other areas to be aware of what we are doing, and to support us, as the more people we speak for, the louder our voice is heard. That is why we are holding these meetings. We are hoping to get more supporters, and of course are willing to debate any opposing views that might emerge” he added.

The first meeting will be at Pegswood (Miners Welfare) on Tuesday 29th September, then Cramlington (Dudley Court - inside Manor Walks Shopping Centre) on Monday 5th October, Bedlington Station (East Bedlington Community Centre) on Tuesday 13th October,

and Seghill (Seghill Community Centre) on Monday 26th October, all starting at 7:30 pm.

Further meetings are then planned at localities such as Ashington, Blyth, Widdrington, Seaton Delaval, Newsham and Newbiggin, and dates and locations will be posted on the SENRUG website.

Anyone who can't get to the meetings can find out more about the group's campaigns and activities at www.senrug.co.uk, from where it is also possible to print off an Application Form and join the group, for just £5 per year.

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Notes For Editors

SENRUG is The South East Northumberland Rail User Group, a pro-rail campaign group that campaigns for better rail services for existing and potential passengers in South East Northumberland.

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