

## Unions meet with new Newcastle transport operator Keolis Downer

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All representative unions met with the new operator Keolis Downer at UNSW on the 16th of January.

KEOLIS Downer has been awarded a 10-year contract to operate Newcastle's public transport system, including the new light rail. The tender also includes Newcastle buses, ferries and interchanges.

In attendance at the meeting was Keolis Downer CEO Mr Campbell Mason. The CEO made it clear that they would honour the MOU that has been signed, and indicated that they wanted to commence negotiations as soon as possible.

Since the meeting, the RTBU Tram and Bus division has been in contact with Keolis Downer and are presently setting calendar dates up for weekly meetings which are hoped to start as soon as possible.

RTBU members will be kept informed at regular depot meetings and will also receive minutes that will be mailed out to all RTBU bus division members.

Please contact your local delegate if you have any further queries.