



DELAINE HERITAGE FLEET LIST

FLEET NO:	REG NO:	CHASSIS MAKE	CHASSIS TYPE	CHASSIS NO:	BODY MAKE	SEATING LAYOUT	NEW	ENTERED FLEET	WITH-DRAWN	NOTES
45	KTL 780	Leyland	Titan PD2/20	550943	Willowbrook	H35/28RD	1956	04/56	12/78	i
47	MTL 750	Leyland	Tiger Cub PSUC1/2	578422	W.S. Yeates Ltd	DP43F	1558	04/58	08/69	ii
50	RCT 3	Leyland	Titan PD3/1	590945	W.S. Yeates Ltd	H39/34RD	1960	06/60	12/79	iii
72	ACT 540L	Leyland	Atlantean AN68/2R	7203700	Northern Counties	H47/35F	1973	03/73	12/00	iv
100	E100 AFW	Leyland	Tiger TRCTL11/2RZ	8700072	Duple Dominant Bus	B59F	1987	09/87	07/08	v
116	M1 OCT	Volvo	Olympian	025704	East Lancashire	H51/35F	1995	02/95	12/16	vi
130	X7 OCT	Volvo	B7TL	001214	East Lancashire	H45/31F	2000	12/00	12/23	vii

NOTES

Six of the seven members of The Delaine Heritage Fleet spent their entire working lives in the Delaine Fleet and were retained after withdrawal for their historical interest and use on special duties and remain licensed as PCVs. In December 2015 the Heritage Fleet was donated to the Delaine Heritage Trust a Charitable Incorporation Organisation established by the Delaine-Smith family to preserve the heritage of Delaine Buses. The Delaine Heritage Fleet is now the centrepiece of the Delaine Bus Museum situated within the Delaine depot in Spalding Road, Bourne, Lincolnshire.

- i The first New Leyland Double Decker to enter the Delaine fleet and the last vehicle to be purchased by the founder of the family motor bus business Thomas Arthur Smith (1896-1958). Privately Preserved between 1979-90.
- ii The only Leyland Tiger Cub Chassis to be bodied by Yeates of Loughborough. Withdrawn in August 1969 and sold to Vagg of Knockin Heath, Shropshire. Having been withdrawn by Vagg's in 1974-5 and stored, following their insolvency, 47 was rescued in December 1982 by Delaine just days away from being broken up. After being towed back to Bourne, 47 was donated to the Leicestershire Museum of Technology in 1984. The extensive restoration into original Delaine livery was completed in 1988. In 2018, 47 become part of the Delaine Heritage Fleet on long term loan from the Leicester Arts & Museum Service.
- iii Only two Double Deck bodies were ever built by Yeates of Loughborough, both especially for Delaine. This is the second of the pair and having been continually licensed as a PCV since new makes it the longest serving Yeates bodied PCV vehicle.
- iv The last New Leyland Double Decker to enter the Delaine fleet and part of a batch of five vehicles in a consortium with fellow Independents Whippet of Fenstanton and OK Motor Services of Bishop Auckland, which were the first examples of the new Leyland Atlantean AN68 extended 10.3m chassis. With seating for 82 made them the largest capacity vehicles in the country at the time.
- v The last Dominant body produced by Duple (between 1974-87) and the last Leyland to remain in service with Delaine after 78 years of continuous Leyland operation which began in 1930 with a Duple bodied Leyland Tiger. Privately preserved between 08/09-03/17.
- vi The first Volvo to enter the Delaine fleet and the last vehicle to be purchased by Hugh Delaine-Smith MBE (1920-1995). Worked the last scheduled step entrance journey between Bourne and Peterborough on 31/12/16 before being withdrawn from service.
- vii Built in the Millennium year, 130 was the first PSVAR compliant vehicle to enter the Delaine fleet and the first Double Decker built by East Lancashire Coachbuilders to comply with the 2000 Accessibility Regulations. Withdrawn on 22/12/23 on the 23rd anniversary of entering service.