

Hyndburn Borough Transport



1974 - 1986

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Cover Illustration: No. 45 (EHG45S) was a 1977 Leyland PSU4E/2R 'Leopard' with East Lancs B43F bodywork. (Phil Hambling).

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Local government reorganisation on 1 April 1974 saw the formation of the Borough of Hyndburn, incorporating the Borough of Accrington, the Urban Districts of Church, Clayton-le-Moors, Great Harwood, Oswaldtwistle and Rishton and part of Burnley Rural District.

As a result Accrington Corporation Transport Department, along with the garage, vehicles and routes, was taken over by the new Borough. Accrington's blue and red livery was retained. A new fleetname of 'HYNDBURN' in gold uppercase letters was adopted with vehicles also displaying the new Hyndburn coat-of-arms.

Despite the change of name the undertaking continued much as before although the conversion of services to one-man operation continued as the remaining rear-entrance vehicles were withdrawn.

The first new vehicles delivered to Hyndburn were Nos. 39-40, a pair of Bristol RESL6LX's with East Lancs dual-purpose 42-seat bodywork, with a further two (Nos. 41-42) delivered the following year.

From 1976 the undertaking reverted to Leyland vehicles purchasing the AN68 'Atlantean' and the PSU4 'Leopard'.

In 1979 a solitary Dennis Dominator was purchased, which evidently found favour with Hyndburn as, in 1981, another two were purchased and thereafter Dennis vehicles, both single-deck and double-deck were the only marque purchased, apart from three Ford Transit minibuses in 1986.

On 26 October 1986 under the regulations of the 1985 Transport Act a private limited company, Hyndburn Transport Ltd, came into being bringing to an end municipal operations in Accrington and surrounding areas, although the Council still retained overall control. The undertaking was eventually sold to the Stagecoach Group in 1997.

Bus Fleet List 1974-1986

This listing is in the format - Year into service; Fleet No; Reg. No; Chassis; Chassis No; Body; Seating.

1974

Vehicles transferred from Accrington Corporation Transport 4/74

17-18	381-82YTE	Leyland	PSUC1/13	624461-62	East Lancs	B43F
19-20	915-16TF	Leyland	PSUC1/13	L10329-30	East Lancs	B43F
21-23	KTC334-36C	Leyland	PSUC1/13	L30656-58	East Lancs	B43F
24	RTC506C	Leyland	PSUC1/13	L52394	East Lancs	B43F
25-27	MTJ925-27G	Bristol	RESL6L	[RESL-1/]257-59	East Lancs	B47F
28-29	STC928-29G	Bristol	RESL6L	[RESL-1/]260-61	East Lancs	B47F
30-31	OTF357-58K	Bristol	RESL6L	[RESL-8/]356-57	East Lancs	DP42F
32-33	OTF359-60K	Bristol	RESL6L	[RESL-8/]363-64	East Lancs	DP42F
34-35	OTF375-76M	Seddon	RU	54646/3843	East Lancs	DP42F
36-37	BTF376-77L	Seddon	RU	54644-45	East Lancs	DP42F
147	388FTB	Guy Arab	IV	FD74110	East Lancs	H32/26R
148-149	383-84FTB	Leyland	PD2/31	582410-11	East Lancs	H32/26R

1974 (continued)

150	825KTB	Guy Arab IV	FD74345	East Lancs	H32/26R
152	827KTB	Guy Arab IV	FD74347	East Lancs	H32/26R
154-155	949-50RTB	Leyland PD2/31	601075-76	East Lancs	H35/28R
158-159	417-18XTF	Leyland PD3A/1	612562-63	East Lancs	H38/32R
160	914TF	Leyland PD3A/1	L00706	East Lancs	H38/32R
161-62	9689-90TJ	Leyland PD3A/2	L01949-50	East Lancs	H38/32R
163-164	CTB557-58B	Guy Arab V	FD75426-27	East Lancs	H38/32R
165	FTB643B	Guy Arab V	FD75183	Neepsend	H38/32R
166-167	CTB166-67E	Leyland PD3A/2	L65207-08	East Lancs	H41/31F
168-169	CTB168-69E	Leyland PD3A/2	L65362-63	East Lancs	H41/31F
170-172	STB790-92G	Leyland PDR1A/1	902176-78	East Lancs	H45/33F
173-175	CTC173-75J	Leyland PDR1A/1	7002530-32	East Lancs	H45/33F
176-179	HTF176-79K	Leyland PDR1A/1	7103429-32	East Lancs	H45/33F
180-181	RTB797-98L	Leyland AN68/1R	7201582-83	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 32-33, 177, 180-181 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers (Nos. 32-33 as withdrawn vehicles).

Withdrawn **1974** (147, 152), **1975** (18, 148-149, 155, 160), **1976** (19-20, 150, 154, 161-162, 164), **1977** (21, 163, 165), **1978** (22-24, 158-159), **1979** (17, 167-169), **1980** (35-36, 166), **1981** (25-29, 170), **1982** (34, 171), **1983** (30, 37, 172), **1984** (31, 41), **1985** (173-174, 178), **1986** (32-33, 175-176, 179).

1974 (continued)

New Vehicles

38	STC986M	Seddon RU	53842	East Lancs	C39F
39-40	YTB944-45N	Bristol	RESL6LX [RESL-8/]	417-18 East Lancs	DP42F

No. 39 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet number (as withdrawn vehicle).

Withdrawn **1983** (38), **1984** (40), **1986** (39).

1975

41-42	OCW453-54P	Bristol	RESL6LX [RESL-8/]	471-72 East Lancs	DP42F
182-184	JBV818-20N	Leyland	AN68/1R	7403731-33	East Lancs H45/33F

Nos. 41-42, 182-184 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers (No. 42 as withdrawn vehicle).

Withdrawn **1986** (42).



No. 39 (YTB944N) was one of the first new vehicles delivered to Hyndburn. It was a 1974 Bristol RESL6LX with East Lancs DP42F bodywork. (Richard Simons).



No. 182 (JBV818N) was a 1975 Leyland AN68/1R 'Atlantean' with East Lincs H45/33F bodywork. (Claire Pendrous).

1976

185-186	PHG776-77P	Leyland	AN68A/1R	7600147-48	East Lancs	H45/33F
187-188	PHG774-75P	Leyland	AN68A/1R	7600145-46	East Lancs	H45/33F
189-191	URN326-28R	Leyland	AN68A/1R	7603407/64/67	East Lancs	H45/33F
192	URN329R	Leyland	AN68A/1R	7603523	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 185-192 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1977

45	EHG45S	Leyland	PSU4E/2R	7700757	East Lancs	DP43F
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No. 45 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet number.

1978

43-44	EHG43-44S	Leyland	PSU4E/2R	7700755-56	East Lancs	DP43F
46	EHG46S	Leyland	PSU4E/2R	7700758	East Lancs	DP43F
47-48	NFR747-48T	Leyland	PSU4E/2R	7802048/469	East Lancs	DP43F
193-194	KHG193-94T	Leyland	AN68A/1R	7800776/1117	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 43-44, 46-48, 193-194 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1979

195	VCW195V	Dennis Dominator	DD110A/152	East Lancs	H45/33F
196-197	VCW196-97V	Leyland	AN68A/1R 7900214/597	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 195-197 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1980

198	DBV198W	Leyland	AN68A/1R 7905841	East Lancs	H45/33F
199	DBV199W	Leyland	AN68A/1R 8000191	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 198-199 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1981

49	GCK49W	Leyland	PSU4F/2R 8030602	East Lancs	DP43F
101-102	LFV101-02X	Dennis Dominator	[DD138A/]331-32	East Lancs	H45/33F

Nos. 49, 101-102 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.



No. 199 (DBV199W) was a Leyland AN68A/1R with East Lancs H45/33F bodywork new in 1980. (Richard Simons).



No. 101 (LFV101X) was one of two Dennis Dominator's with East Lancs H45/33F bodywork that joined the fleet in 1981. (Richard Simons).

1982

103-104 SCW103-04X Dennis Dominator [DDA158/]473/75 East Lancs H45/33F

Nos. 103-104 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1983

105-106 A105-06KRN Dennis Dominator [DDA158/]670-71 East Lancs H45/33F

Nos. 105-106 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

1984

50 A50LHG Dennis Falcon SDA413/146 East Lancs DP43F

No. 50 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet number.

1985

51 B51XFV Dennis Falcon SDA413/152 East Lancs DP43F

107-108 B107-08UFV Dennis Dominator [DDA905/]791-92 East Lancs H45/33F

Nos. 51, 107-108 to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.



No. 51 (B51XFV) dating from 1985 was a Dennis Falcon with East Lancs DP43F bodywork. (Richard Simons).

1986

10-11	C210-11MCW	Ford Transit 190D	EDVYFC10772-73	Carlyle	B20F
12	C212MCW	Ford Transit 190D	EDVYFC1078	Carlyle	DP18F

Nos. 10-12 had suffix to chassis numbers of -926-85; to Hyndburn Transport Ltd 10/86 retaining fleet numbers.

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