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NEW POLICY BRIEF HIGHLIGHTS PUBLIC TRANSPORT AS A KEY ACTOR IN URBAN REGENERATION

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A new Policy Brief from UITP demonstrates that public transport is an instrument in revitalising, regenerating and supporting growth in deprived areas.

The brief, “**Public transport as an instrument for urban regeneration**”, summarises that public transport is an essential instrument for urban regeneration as part of a city's strategy.

Urban regeneration means **closing the gap** between the **wealthiest and poorest populations** by improving the physical infrastructure of a deprived place and **increasing access** to a city's life opportunities to **tackle social exclusion** and support the **local economy**.

What public transport can do for urban regeneration:

- Play a key role in revitalising and supporting growth in deprived areas
- Improve the physical structures of an area
- Increase access to culture, leisure and more
- Increase healthy active travel and reduce death and injury from road accidents
- Improves access to economic opportunities, jobs, education, culture and more



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What actions are needed to address deprivation:

- Involve the community
- Secure funding by linking investment with growth
- Integrated planning to enable effective stakeholder management

“Public transport can play a vital role in not only urban regeneration, but in tackling the deprivation gap that can exist in our cities. This latest Policy Brief from UITP shows the key role public transport can play in regenerating an area and how improving access for residents is vital. All those with a vested interest in the sustainable development of our cities should consider the recommendations made in this new Policy Brief.”

Hanne Bertnes Norli, Market Director, Norwegian Railway Directorate
Chairwoman of the UITP Transport and Urban Life Commission

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