

On This Day – 5th February 1920

Stirling and Bridge of Allan Tramway Company closes

The Tramway Company operated a horse-drawn tramway from 1874 until 1920 between Stirling town centre (with a terminus in Henderson Street) and Bridge of Allan, a trip that took around 25 minutes, and was able to carry 40 passengers in the open-top carriage.

There were plans, at the turn of the 19th century, to expand the tram system in Stirling towards Larbert, linking in with the Falkirk tram routes – as well as to the east, to towns like Tillicoultry, Alloa and Dollar, creating a circular route through Clackmannanshire. However, this never took off, as the rise of petrol driven buses (as well as cars), and threats of electrification caused the line to go into decline.

The Company folded in 1920, and although it had added petrol and steam-driven tramcars to its operations throughout the years, at the time it was the last horse-drawn tramway in Scotland.

More information:

[More of the history of the Tramway Company](#)

[Details on the uniforms worn](#)