

East Midlands Railway celebrate Belper and Derby Pride with special Rainbow Train

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East Midlands Railway's LGBTQIA+ Employee Network has created a special rainbow livery to celebrate Pride and to promote diversity in its workplace. The rainbow 'swoosh' design and tagline 'Lets Roll with Pride' has been applied to a Class 158 train.

'Stronger Together' is one of six employee network groups within EMR set up to better represent their LGBTQIA+ employees, as well as promoting diversity and inclusion in their workplace. The network is made up entirely of employees from within EMR.

Jacob Lane, Duty Depot Delivery Manager and EMR LGBTQIA+ Network Lead said: "The idea for a Pride train came about after a discussion in one of our network meetings. We thought this would be an awesome way of showcasing our commitment as a network to set EMR on the right path to promoting Diversity and Inclusion. It's also a great way to show our support to the Pride events taking place on our network, two of which we are sponsoring.

"Alongside the Pride train, we have created pronoun badges for any employees who would like to wear one and our Organisation Development & Culture Manager Amanda Elkin, has created a video on the

importance of getting pronouns right”.

The Pride train can be seen out and about on the EMR Regional route, but specifically on the Derwent Valley Line between Derby and Matlock for Belper Pride on Saturday 6 August and Derby Pride on Saturday 10 September.

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