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**New Buses for the Xelabus X4**

I am pleased to announce excellent news from our locally based bus operator, Xelabus. The company has just ordered 2 brand new Alexander Dennis Enviro double decker buses. The Euro 6 engine buses will have 85 seats and will be dedicated to the Eastleigh – West End – Hedge End X4 route. The new buses are expected to be in service from the 1 September this year.

A demonstrator vehicle of the same model of bus will be used in March to give passengers a flavour of things to come and gain passenger comment. This is a very significant investment by Xelabus in the X4 and shows the importance of this route which carries large numbers of students, as well as shoppers, commuters and leisure travellers.