

### FRHT wins prestigious Rail Partnership Award

The Ferryhill Railway Heritage Trust is proud to announce that the charity has won first prize in the PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF THE RAILWAY category of the Rail Partnership Awards sponsored by Network Rail and Rail Media. The award has been given to the trust in recognition of successfully restoring the 1906 Ransomes & Rapier locomotive turntable that has been brought back into active service after many years of disuse.

The award was presented to the trust's chairman Dr Jon Tyler at a ceremony which took place on Wednesday 5 June at the Vox arena in Birmingham which was hosted by Julia Bradbury. There were around 7 other contenders for this prize category for various projects across the country which made first place all the more appreciated.

When interviewed Dr Jon Tyler, Chairman of the Trust said "This award, the first to be received by the Trust, demonstrates the recognition that the project has received in reviving Steam Charter trains to Aberdeen. The volunteers at Ferryhill deserve to have all their hard work recognised in this way. Aberdeen's tourism offer has been given a big boost by the additional visitors who now arrive in the city by steam train."

Alan Ross, Director, Route Sponsorship, at the ScotRail Alliance said "What a fantastic result. It just shows what we can do when we all pull together."

The turntable can be viewed working when the trust opens their doors to the public when steam trains, hauled by the locomotive Tornado, arrive in Aberdeen on August 1st, 8th & 31st and the 7th of September.



Dr Jon Tyler Chairman of the Ferryhill Railway Heritage Trust receiving the trophy from the presenter Julia Bradbury



## FRHT – SPECIAL NEWS UPDATE – 10 June 2019

Rail Partnership Award Short List for:-

### PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF THE RAILWAY

1. Standedge Aqueduct

AmcoGiffen

2. Runcorn Viaduct

Buckingham Group Contracting

3. Thickle Wood footbridge

Construction Marine Limited

Arcadis, David France, Metalock Engineering

4. Ransomes and Rapier locomotive turntable

Ferryhill Railway Heritage Trust

Babcock Rail, Network Rail

5. Lowestoft station restoration project

Network Rail, Railway Heritage Trust

6. Kilmarnock Station

Network Rail, ScotRail, Railway Heritage Trust

Kilmarnock Station Railway Heritage Trust

7. TPWS

Thales,

North Norfolk Railway, Railway Preservation Society of Ireland