



Writer Richard Lysons, LNR community strategy manager Vicky Cropper-Clarke and designer Nicky Thompson with the booklet

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Rail booklet launched highlighting amazing women from the London Northwestern Railway network

A railway booklet detailing the lives, history and birthplaces of amazing women from areas across the London Northwestern Railway (LNR) network has been launched.

Available for free at attractions listed inside the booklet, it details the lives of 27 extraordinary women from different areas between Liverpool and Watford Junction and how their stories can be discovered by rail.

The booklet was launched at the Nuneaton Museum and Art Gallery on Thursday 29 June, as George Eliot (May Ann Evans, 1819-1880), from Nuneaton, is one of the amazing women highlighted.

Other women mentioned include Millicent, Duchess of Sutherland (1867-1955) and more recent examples such as singer and television presenter Cilla Black.

Designed by Cheshire artist Nicky Thompson and written by author Richard Lysons, LNR and Women in Community Rail funded the booklet which includes short biographies and relevant attractions for passengers to visit.

Vicky Cropper-Clarke, LNR community strategy manager, said:

"I am delighted to launch the Amazing Women by Rail booklet which highlights so many stories by incredible women across our rail network.

"There will be copies available at selected stations and passengers will be able to view the booklet online. I hope this encourages passengers to explore towns are cities along the line to discover the fascinating history of these remarkable women.

"I would also like to thank our community partners and Women in Community Rail for putting the booklet together."

View the first Amazing Women by Rail booklet in its entirety here.

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