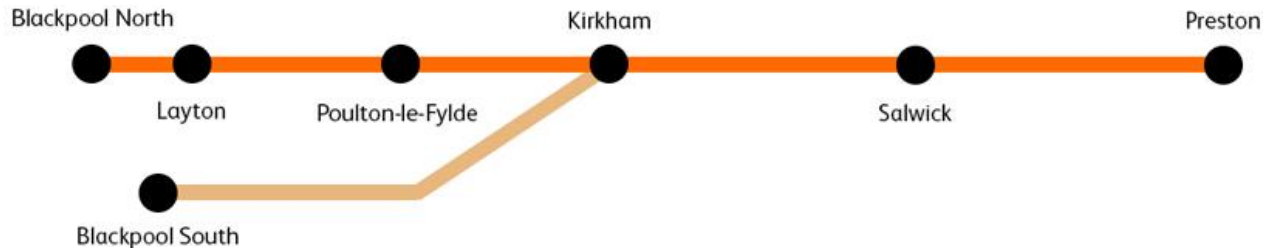


Railway upgrade plan

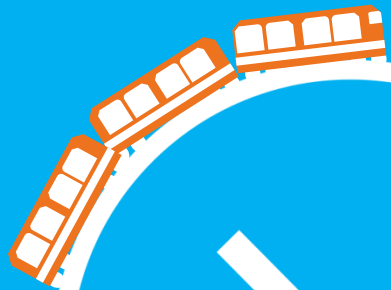
Better journeys between Preston and Blackpool by May 2018



What's happening?

We are upgrading the railway between Preston and Blackpool as part of a £1bn+ investment in the north to deliver greener, cleaner, quieter and more reliable journeys by May 2018.





We're improving the track layout and modernising signalling equipment to pave the way for **more reliable journeys**.

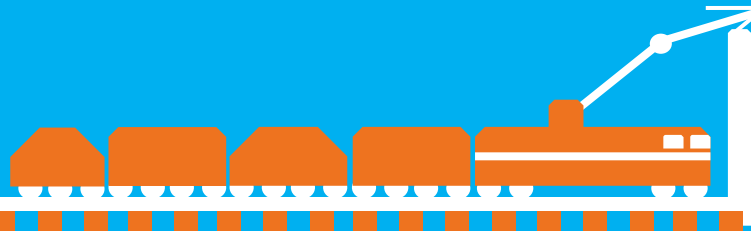
Work includes the replacement of 84 signals and moving the signalling control to the Manchester rail operating centre.



Blackpool North and Kirkham & Wesham stations will be remodelled as part of our plans to simplify the current layout of the railway.

This will help to **reduce delays and improve performance.**

The 17 mile route between
Preston and Blackpool North
will be fully electrified paving the way for
greener, cleaner and quieter trains.



This means
better journeys from May 2018.

[VIDEO]

Project update

Track renewal
in Salwick



Drainage improvements
and track upgrades in Poulton



Network Rail

Preston

Changes to train services

Weekends 21 January - 2 April 2017

We are upgrading the railway between
Preston and Blackpool
to enable better journeys from May 2018

Find out more at networkrail.co.uk/blackpool
Please check before you travel at nationalrail.co.uk

*Updated times will be in systems no later than 10 weeks before each weekend

Blackpool

Working for you

THE GREAT NORTH RAIL PROJECT

NORTHERN POWERHOUSE

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Keeping people informed

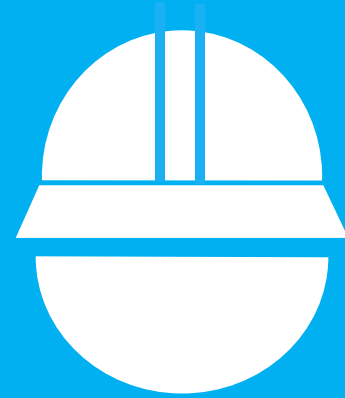
Network Rail, Northern and Virgin Trains continue to work with Blackpool council around the messaging and this will tell people that Blackpool is open for business.

We will inform customers about changes to train services via social media, at stations via customer information screens, posters/leaflets and during passenger information events.

We will also hold information events for our line side neighbours, as well as keeping them informed by post about work taking place near to their properties.

Through these channels we will provide details of our website where people can be directed for more information:

networkrail.co.uk/blackpool



October 2016
Extended night time shifts between Preston and Blackpool
Amended timetable with buses replacing early morning & late evening services

January 2017
Weekend closures between Preston and Blackpool
Amended timetable with buses replacing weekend services

Timeline

November 2017
Both lines between Preston and Blackpool stations closed

January 2018
Line between Preston & Blackpool South reopens

March 2018
Line between Preston & Blackpool North reopens

May 2018
Electric trains running on route between Preston and Blackpool North

Any questions?

Better journeys between Preston and Blackpool by May 2018

