

Bath Corridor Works

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Objectives

- To work collaboratively with Network Rail and key stakeholders such as Wiltshire Council, Bath & North East Somerset Council, Bath Tourism Plus, Passenger groups and key business groups to ensure that the best possible service proposition is delivered to all customers in the planning and delivery of these essential works.
- To support Network Rail to plan these essential infrastructure improvements/ enhancements in a way that minimises customer disruption
- To cooperate with Network Rail to communicate the good news of this major development and the key benefits for all audiences that fall within our remit
- To harness and apply to this scheme FGW best practice developed through major blockades such as Reading and Swindon to Kemble

Best practice principles applied to Bath works

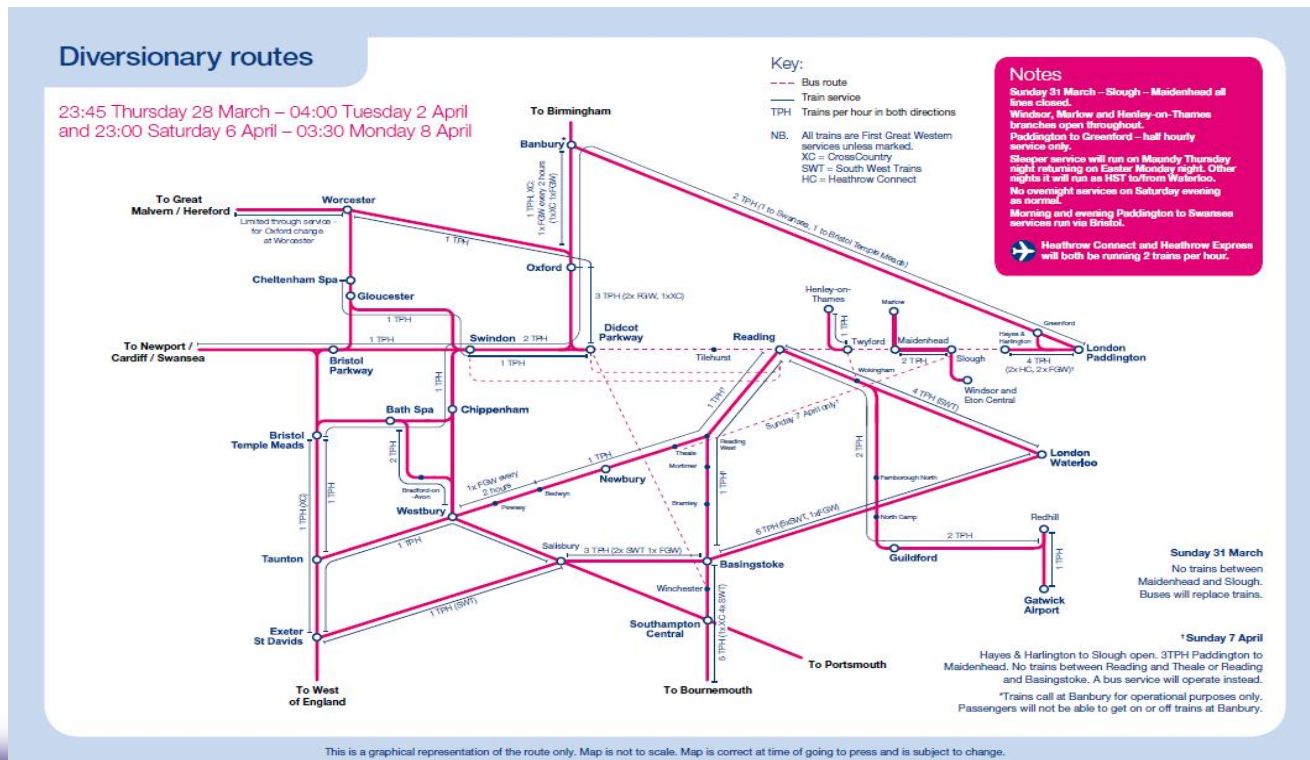
Planning

- Flexible approach to service provision, recognising segments in the market e.g. commuters/ business
- Providing maximum capacity within constraints of engineering works which restrict the number of trains
- Offering realistic alternative travel options for customers
- Collaborative communications

Delivery

- Rail replacement bus locations in sites as convenient to local stakeholders as possible
- High levels/ increased capacity Rail Replacement service especially in peak periods
- Customer focussed delivery to minimise disruption

Best practice principles Reading Easter 2013



Key FGW Customer Flows Affected

- Swindon - Chippenham – Melksham – Trowbridge - Westbury
- Chippenham - Swindon – London Paddington
- Swindon- Chippenham - Bath - Bristol
- Bristol - Bath - Westbury (all stations)
- Bristol - Bath - Weymouth
- Cardiff - Bristol - Bath - Westbury - Salisbury - Southampton - Portsmouth
- Bristol - Bath - Swindon – London Paddington
- Bath - Bristol - Filton Abbey Wood - Bristol Parkway/ Cardiff

FGW Data Gathering and Analysis

- Analysis of existing survey data
- Infill surveys as required
- Survey staircase flows
- On Train Counts
- Ridership data by flow/ hour
- FGW Station Manager observations
- Business Surveys
- Anonymised Postcode map showing origin of journeys e.g. MoD Filton Abbey Wood

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Box Tunnel – Electrification works

- Six weeks – July and August 2015

Line will be closed between Thingley Junction (Chippenham) and Bathampton Junction (east of Bath)

Sydney Gardens and Bathampton Junction – Electrification works

- Three weeks – August 2015

Line will be closed between Trowbridge and Bath Spa station

Impact – Box Tunnel Works

Proposed Service Alterations July - August 2015 (3 weeks)*

- One train per hour between Bath Spa and Chippenham/ London Paddington
 - Trains diverted via Trowbridge and Melksham
 - Extended journey time
- Rail replacement services to serve Chippenham – Melksham – Trowbridge
- Second Bristol Temple Meads to London Paddington service will operate via Berks and Hants or Hullavington (final plan TBC)

* Indicative Dates

Impact – Bath Corridor Works (1)

Proposed Service Alterations August 2015 (3 weeks)*

No trains between Bath Spa and Chippenham/ Trowbridge

Trains will operate between:

- Bath Spa and London Paddington via Bristol – 1 train per hour
- Bath Spa and Bristol Temple Meads – 1 train per hour
- Bath Spa and Cardiff via Bristol – 1 train per hour

* Indicative Dates

Impact – Bath Corridor Works (2)

Proposed Service Alterations - August 2015 (3 weeks)*

- London Paddington to Chippenham – hourly through service
- Portsmouth – Cardiff trains will be diverted via Chippenham to Swindon to connect with London Paddington - South Wales services
- Weymouth – Bristol services combined with Portsmouth – Cardiff services and between Westbury and Swindon
- SWT services TBC

Ticket easements would allow Chippenham to Bristol customers to route via Swindon

* Indicative Dates

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Rail Replacement Services

Proposed Service Alterations - August 2015 (3 weeks)*

Rail Replacement Services to operate between:

- Chippenham and Bath Spa
- Westbury/ Trowbridge/ Bradford on Avon and Bath Spa (limited stop)
- Westbury/ Trowbridge/ Bradford on Avon and Bath Spa – all stations
- Expected that will be a half hourly service on each route (Melksham excepted) mirroring the train service and providing connections at Bath, Chippenham and Trowbridge/ Westbury

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Car Parking - Options

- Car parking easements for season ticket holders e.g. could use Bristol Parkway, Chippenham, Swindon
- Use of Westbury car park for RRS
- Use of Trowbridge car park for RRS
- Use of Bradford on Avon car park for RRS
- Use of short stay car park at Chippenham station for RRS

ANY QUESTIONS