

Home Safe quarterly brief



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A word from our Chief Health and Safety Officer



“I am pleased to share the third Home Safe Brief, and the first of 2017 – a short update giving you some highlights of the work we are doing as part of the Home Safe Plan.

We have now seen the first Home Safe Plan project reach completion as the plan continues to develop and progress.

The brief will let you know what you can expect to see in the coming months from three of our projects, as well as updates as we progress through our programmes and projects. We also ask you to consider your impact on these safety challenges, looking at what you can do as an ‘immediate win’ to help make a difference and improve safety in your area.

Please enjoy this short session”

Lisbeth Fromling,
Chief HS&Q Officer



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Home Safe Plan overview and updates

The 21 projects are:

1. Fatigue Risk Management
2. Risk Management inc WARAs & Risk Awareness
3. Management of Occupational Road Risk (MORR)
4. Sentinel Enhancement
5. Electrical Safety Delivery (ESD)
6. Safer Trackside Working (STW)
7. Planning and Delivering Safe Work (PDSW)
8. Procuring for Contractor Safety
9. Safety Hour
10. Community Safety
11. Level Crossing Risk Reduction
12. Platform Train Interface (PTI)
13. Prioritised Technology for Level Crossing Safety
14. Identification & Monitoring Train Accident Risk Reduction
15. Health & Wellbeing Respiratory
16. Health & Wellbeing Medical Standards
17. Health & Wellbeing Resilience
18. Health & Wellbeing First Aid
19. Manual Handling
20. Business Critical Rules (BCR)
21. Integrated Management System (IMS)

Plan update

- The Health & Wellbeing Medical Standards project was completed in December 2016
- Of 241 Home Safe Plan milestones across all 21 projects and programmes, 126 are now complete, 77 are on target and 38 are late or at risk.
- 3 projects are red this period: Fatigue Risk Management, Mental Resilience and Electrical Safety Delivery. All are being managed to get them back on track.



Level Crossing Risk Reduction

Achieving maximum possible risk reduction at level crossings in CP5



Why is this part of the Home Safe Plan?

- There are more than 6,000 level crossings on the rail network.
- In CP5 £99million is being invested to improve safety across the highest risk level crossings through a programme of closures and asset improvement schemes



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The Home Safe Plan will...

- Close over 250 high risk level crossings, permanently removing the risk from the network.
- Continue to develop and install new technologies to improve safety at high risk crossings where closure cannot be achieved.

What can you do?

- Staying safe at level crossings is about concentration and awareness of the dangers they pose. Respect them and stay safe.
- Report anything you see which may pose a risk to yourself, your colleagues or the general public.

Fatigue Risk Management

This project is focused on reducing the risks associated with staff fatigue.



The Home Safe Plan will...

- Deliver an updated Fatigue Risk Management Standard to strengthen Network Rail's management of fatigue.
- Create and deliver three fatigue training modules:
 - General Awareness
 - Fatigue and driving
 - Fatigue Management for line managers

Why is this part of the Home Safe Plan?

- In 2015/16 a number of serious road traffic accidents occurred as staff / contract staff travelled home, particularly after night shifts. Investigations identified fatigue was a significant contributory factor.
- Due to work pressures, and a lack of awareness and reporting of fatigue issues, the scale of the problem is difficult to determine. Training will provide guidance on what fatigue is, how to identify it and what staff should do when they experience it.

What can you do?

- Support the publication and implementation of the standard
- Discuss possible fatigue triggers including both work and home related issues and how you/NR can support colleagues
- Encourage colleagues to report instances of fatigue.



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Safer Trackside Working (STW)

STW focuses on research and development to improve the safety of track workers



The Home Safe Plan will...

- Introduce safer ways of working by looking into new, high reliability, protection and warning systems to be used trackside
- Work closely with the Trade Unions and Office of Rail and Road (ORR) to achieve collaboration and ensure a safer working environment

Why is this part of the Home Safe Plan?

- The project contributes to Network Rail's strategic commitment to reduce fatalities and major injuries on our network to zero.
- STW will create, develop and introduce new technologies to support safety and help to futureproof our railway.

What can you do?

- If you have any ideas to improve safety trackside, share this with your team – it may be something we can research further!
- Engage with the new technologies and let us know how they work for you.



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Following up on your feedback...

You told us that the business does not know enough about the Home Safe Plan, and it's projects and programmes

- A hub for Home Safe Plan information has now been created on Safety Central -
<https://safety.networkrail.co.uk/safety/home-safe-plan/>
- The team are creating a Home Safe Plan guide to set the scene, and share all the information you need to know regarding the Home Safe Plan. This will soon be uploaded.



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If you have any feedback, queries or ideas that could support the progression of the Home Safe Plan or would like to share what you have been doing to support progression in your area we would like to hear from you! You can...

Speak to your line manager or head of safety



Email safetycommunications@networkrail.co.uk



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