

Tyne Valley Community Rail Partnership
Tyne Valley rail Users Group

Dear members of the Tyne Valley CRP and RUG,

Following the recent e-mail regarding the May 2018 timetables appearing on Real Time Trains and the uncertainty created following this discovery, we have now received updated information from Northern.

It has been confirmed the Bolton Corridor electrification will now not be completed on schedule by Network Rail, therefore the planned cascade of diesel trains for use on other parts of the Northern network by May 2018 is also delayed. This will result in a shortfall of diesel trains to run the timetable originally submitted by Northern to Network Rail.

Based on this reduced level of rolling stock availability, Northern are now working on a revised timetable across their entire network. This is a complex task to undertake at short notice but they do intend to have this ready for submission by the end of February. At this month's meeting of the Tyne Valley CRP board, members will request sight of a final draft for any further input and comment.

Please be assured all members of the CRP will continue to work closely with colleagues from Northern to push for the desired timetable enhancements and improvements, as were originally included in the May 2018 timetable produced by Northern.

Kind regards,

Malcolm Chainey and Colin Moore
Chairman TVCRP Acting Chairman TVRUG