

WMRE Rail Emissions Strategy

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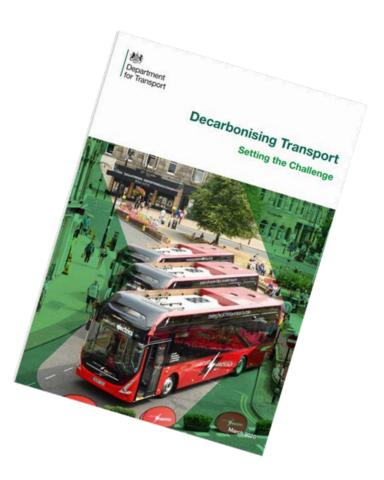


National Strategic Context



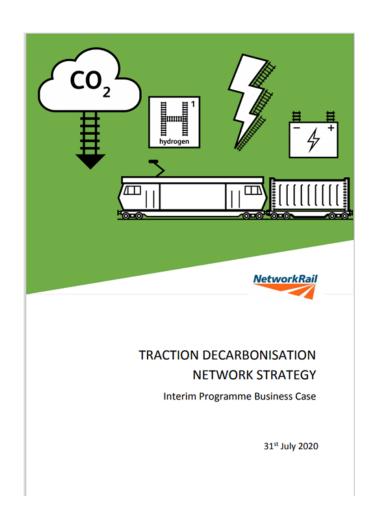
- RSSB Air Quality
 Strategic
 Framework
- June 2020

- DfT Decarbonising
 Transport March 2020
- Net zero Transport Emissions by 2050
- Transport
 Decarbonisation Plan to
 be published Spring
 2021





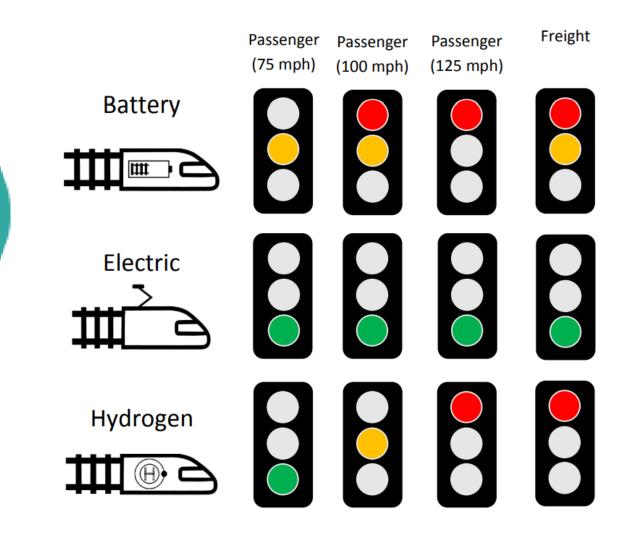
Traction Decarbonisation Network Strategy (TDNS)



- Published by Network Rail Autumn 2020
- Outlines long-term proposed outcome for Traction
 Power on network to eliminate diesel trains
- Proposes significant expansion of electrification supplemented by battery and hydrogen
- Provides a high-level business case for meeting the 2050 net-zero target
- A more detailed Programme Business Case will be published soon – this will show proposed phasing of electrification



Traction Power Options



Battery

- Limited range
- Good solution for extending services short distances "beyond the wires"
- Test trains under development

Electric

- Optimal solution for traction power
- Mature technology
- Infrastructure is very expensive

Hydrogen

- Reasonable range potential
- Practical challenges over hydrogen production, storage and use
- Low efficiency, poor energy density
- Test trains under development

Most WM Routes Proposed for Electrification



WEST MIDLANDS (WM)





Diesel/Electric Train Operation in Birmingham

	Total Trains per off-	D' I		- 1 . •	
Based on December 2019 Timetable	peak hour	Diesel		Electric	
Birmingham New St	48	18	38%	30	63%
Birmingham Moor St	15.5	15.5	100%	0	0%
Total	63.5	33.5	53%	30	47%

- Chase Line electrified in 2019 Birmingham to Rugeley services converted to electric
- Shrewsbury and Hereford are remaining diesel local routes at New Street
- Cross Country main operator of diesel services at New St
- Snow Hill Lines Electrification study due to be undertaken by Network Rail this year (funding approval awaited from DfT)



New diesels are much cleaner

	Standard	Hydrocarbon	NOx	Particulate Matter
		g/KWh	g/KWh	g/KWh
Class 170	UIC Stage 2	1	6	0.2
(introduced 1999)				
Class 196	EU Stage 3b	0.19	2	0.025
(introduced 2021)				

- Class 196s replacing Class 170s on Shrewsbury and Hereford Line services
- New Camp Hill Line services will be operated by Class 196 4-car diesel units

WMRE Investigating Bi-Mode Rolling Stock



- Project to investigate potential for introducing Battery/Electric Multiple Units (BEMU) on the WM rail network
- Benefits would be:
 - Facilitates Aldridge station project
 - Allows replacement of unsuitable LNR Class 350s on WM local services with a dedicated fleet of urban configuration trains
 - Could allow removal of diesel services at New Street, including on Camp Hill line
- Significant challenges
 - Commercial/contractual
 - Funding
 - Technical
- Study underway due to report Spring.

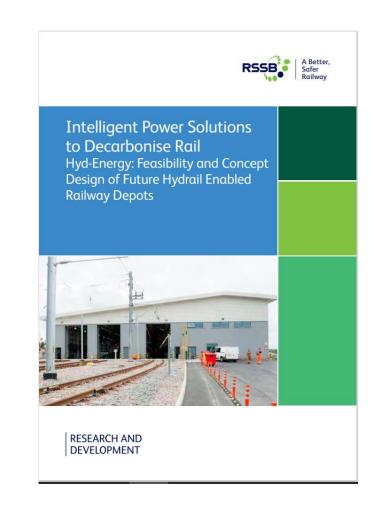






Overarching Strategy

- WMRE is updating its Rail Investment Strategy much greater focus on emissions and decarbonisation
- WMRE will support and promote electrification of the network – needs to be coordinated around Midlands Rail Hub and other upgrades
- WMRE will consider supporting hydrogen train trials – working with University of Birmingham and other partners
- WMRE will take forwards the BEMU study
- WMRE will support Network Rail and Operator partners with their proposals to introduce cleaner trains onto the network and reduce emissions







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