

# NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED AND NORTHERN TRAINS LIMITED

## PUBLIC SERVICE OPERATOR PASSENGER TRACK ACCESS AGREEMENT

### MODIFICATION OF SCHEDULES 4 AND 8

TO:

- (1) **NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED**, a company registered in England under number 2904587 having its registered office at Waterloo General Office, London, United Kingdom, SE1 8SW (“**Network Rail**”);
  - (2) **NORTHERN TRAINS LIMITED**, a company registered in England and Wales under number 03076444, whose registered office is at George Stephenson House, Toft Green, York, England, YO1 6JT. (the “**Train Operator**”);
- together, the “**Parties**”.

#### 1. BACKGROUND:

- 1.1. The Parties are parties to a track access agreement dated 3 March 2016 (as amended) (the “**Track Access Agreement**”).
- 1.2. On 13 March 2024, as part of an access charges review carried out pursuant to Schedule 4A to the Railways Act 1993, the Office of Rail and Road (“**ORR**”) gave a review implementation notice, including to the Parties, entitled “**Review Implementation Notice: Public Service Operator Passenger Track Access Agreements**” (the “**Review Implementation Notice**”), which:
  - 1.2.1. gave notice that its conclusions on the access charges review were to be implemented; and
  - 1.2.2. directed Network Rail and the Train Operator to amend the Track Access Agreement including in respect of Schedule 8 and Schedule 4 to provide for circumstances in which those Schedules can be amended by ORR.
- 1.3. The amendments made pursuant to the Review Implementation Notice came into effect

on 1 April 2024.

- 1.4. The circumstances in which ORR may amend Schedule 8 and Schedule 4 are set out in paragraph 17.1A and 17.5 of Schedule 8 and paragraph 15 of Schedule 4 of the Track Access Agreement.
- 1.5. Part A of this notice sets out the amendments to Appendix 1 of Schedule 8. It also sets out the amendments to Appendix 3 of Schedule 8, which are required as a consequence of the amendments to Appendix 1 of that Schedule.
- 1.6. ORR also considers that amendments to Schedule 4 are required as a result of the amendments set out in Part A of this notice. Part B of this notice sets out the amendments to Schedule 4.

## 2. NOTICE:

- 2.1. This notice is issued on 20 March 2026 and is in two parts.

### PART A

- 2.2. Part A of this notice is given in accordance with paragraphs 17.1A and 17.5 of Schedule 8 to the Track Access Agreement.
- 2.3. The following amendments are to be made to the Track Access Agreement:
  - 2.3.1. Delete Appendix 1 of Schedule 8 and replace it with the Appendix included at Annex A of this notice; and
  - 2.3.2. Delete Appendix 3 of Schedule 8 and replace it with the Appendix included at Annex B of this notice.

### PART B

- 2.4. Part B of this notice is given in accordance with paragraph 15 of Schedule 4 to the Track Access Agreement.
- 2.5. The following amendments are to be made to the Track Access Agreement:
  - 2.5.1. Delete Annex A to Part 3 of Schedule 4 and replace it with the Annex included at Annex C of this notice;
  - 2.5.2. Delete Annex D to Part 3 of Schedule 4 and replace it with the Annex included at

Annex D of this notice; and

2.5.3. Delete the table headed 'Year' and '£' where it appears in paragraph 1 of Part 5 of Schedule 4 and replace it with the table included at Annex E of this notice.

2.6. The amendments set out in Part A and Part B of this notice are to have effect on 1 April 2026.

2.7. The Parties are required to produce and send a conformed copy of the Track Access Agreement to ORR within 28 days of the making of the above modifications, pursuant to clause 18.2.4 of the Track Access Agreement.



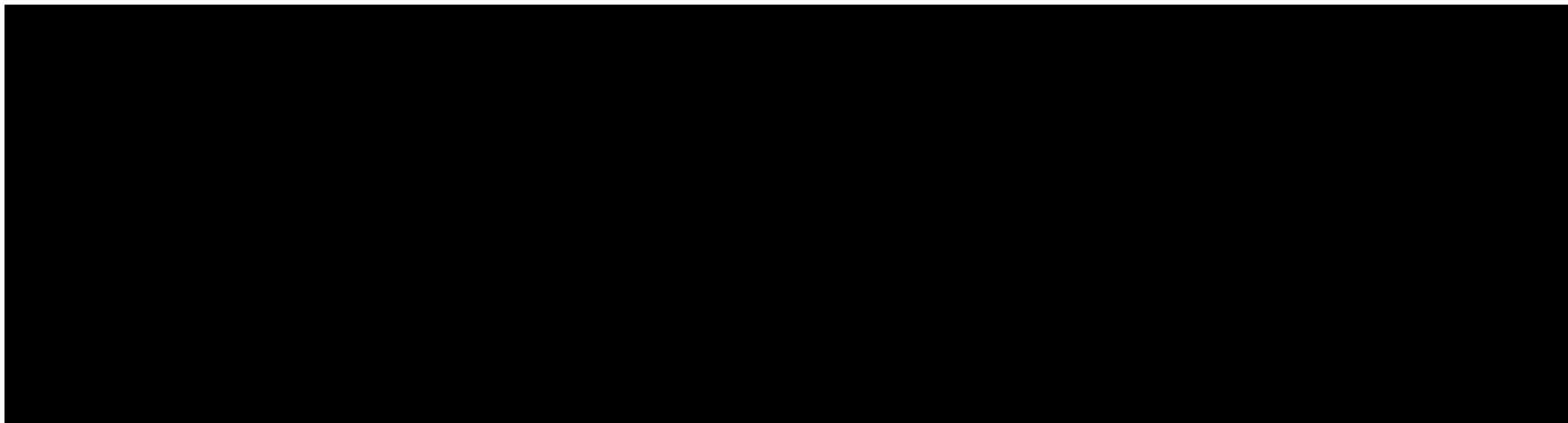
**Will Godfrey**

**FOR AND ON BEHALF OF  
THE OFFICE OF RAIL AND ROAD**

Dated: 20 March 2026

**ANNEX A**

**Appendix 1 to Schedule 8**



**ANNEX B**

**Appendix 3 to Schedule 8**

SPP Threshold

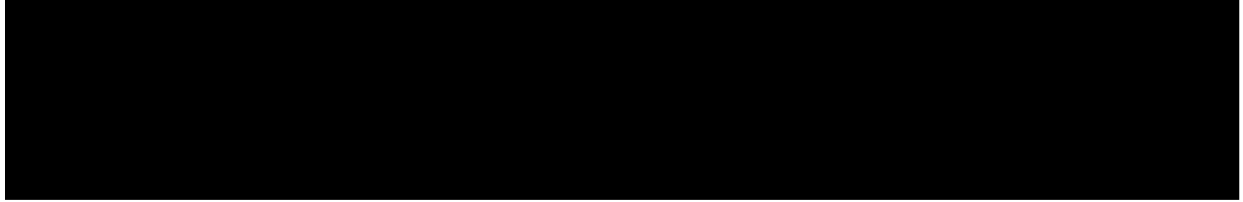


**ANNEX C****Annex A to Part 3 of Schedule 4 – Notification Factors**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
<b>Service Group Description</b>	<b>Service Group Code</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>By D-26</b>	<b>By TW-22</b>	<b>After TW-22</b>
<b>Northern Trains Limited</b>					
Tyne, Tees & Wear	ED01	All Trains	0.53	0.53	0.94
Lancashire & Cumbria	ED02	All Trains	0.53	0.53	0.94
West & North Yorkshire Inter Urban	ED04	All Trains	0.53	0.53	0.94
West & North Yorkshire Local	ED05	All Trains	0.54	0.54	0.93
South & East Yorkshire Inter Urban	ED06	All Trains	0.53	0.53	0.94
South & East Yorkshire Local	ED07	All Trains	0.53	0.53	0.94
North Manchester	ED08	Off-Peak	0.54	0.54	0.94
North Manchester	ED08	Peak	0.54	0.54	0.94
Merseyrail City Lines	ED09	All Trains	0.52	0.52	0.93
South Manchester	ED10	Off-Peak	0.52	0.52	0.93
South Manchester	ED10	Peak	0.52	0.52	0.93
Lancashire & Cumbria Inter Urban	ED11	All Trains	0.51	0.51	0.94

**ANNEX D**

**Annex D to Part 3 of Schedule 4 – Defined Service Group Revenue**



## ANNEX E

Year	£
2026-27	7,796,987
2027-28	6,866,987
2028-29	6,391,441