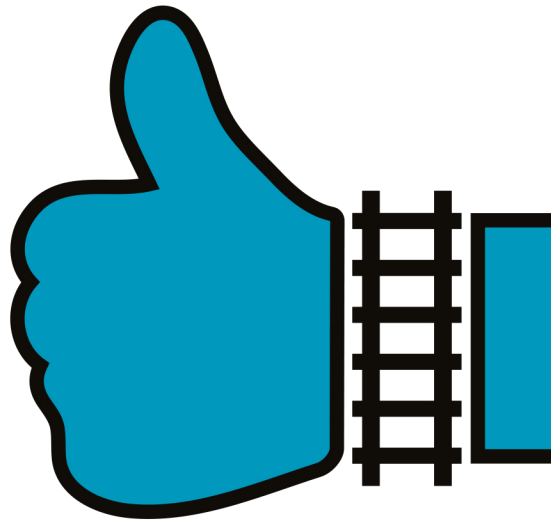


# THE GREAT NORTH RAIL PROJECT



The Great North Rail Project (GNRP) is the most ambitious programme of railway improvements in the North and into Scotland since the Victorian times.

Big upgrades delivered by the GNRP team (Network Rail, Northern, TransPennine Express, Rail North and the Department of Transport) means customers are enjoying more seats on more trains running faster and more reliably.

By 2020 passengers will benefit from faster and more comfortable journeys, as well as new direct services across the north and beyond.

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## GNRP is happening now



Since 2013, the GNRP has delivered:

- 9,000 UK supply chain jobs and supported 300 local businesses.
- More seats and better trains between Liverpool and Manchester/Wigan, cutting the fastest journey between Liverpool and Manchester by 15 minutes.
- More trains between Manchester and Leeds.
- Regeneration of Manchester Victoria station.
- Direct services between Manchester Airport and Glasgow.

There are ongoing projects across the region to support better journeys by 2020, including:

- Ordsall Chord – to support new direct services across the North by linking Manchester's main stations for the first time (complete in December 2017).
- Manchester to Blackpool, via Bolton and Preston upgrade, supporting better journeys (complete in 2018).
- Liverpool Lime Street station upgrade to support more frequent and longer trains (complete in 2018).
- Calder Valley lines upgrade to support more frequent, reliable and faster journeys between Manchester and Leeds via Bradford (complete in 2018).
- Northern stations improvement programme to create a better experience for customers.

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- New platforms at Manchester Airport and Rochdale allowing more trains into Manchester Victoria.
- Across the region, stations and depots are also being improved to create a better experience for passengers and support more trains.



## Getting you on track

Your travel experiences will be improved by trains with modern interiors, free Wi-Fi and better on-board features.

£500m investment on 220 new TransPennine Express carriages and 153 refurbished carriages.

£500m investment in 281 new Northern carriages and 624 refurbished carriages.

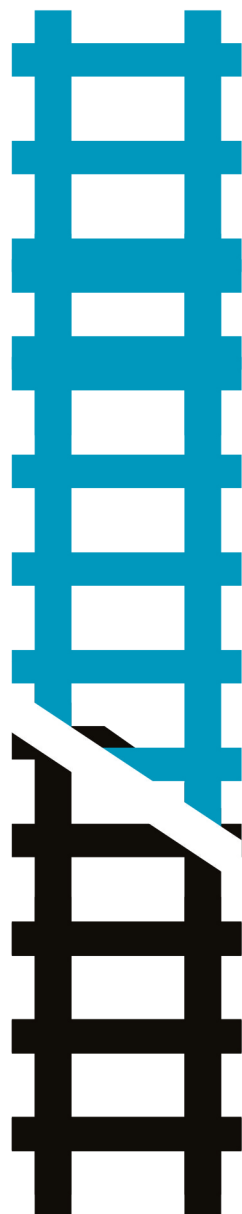
All trains will be brand new or refurbished by 2020, with all the outdated Pacer trains gone.

Innovative technology to enable trains to operate on electrified and non-electrified lines.

Northern Connect – a new inter-urban network connecting cities with populations over 85,000.

The Great North Rail Project will deliver better:

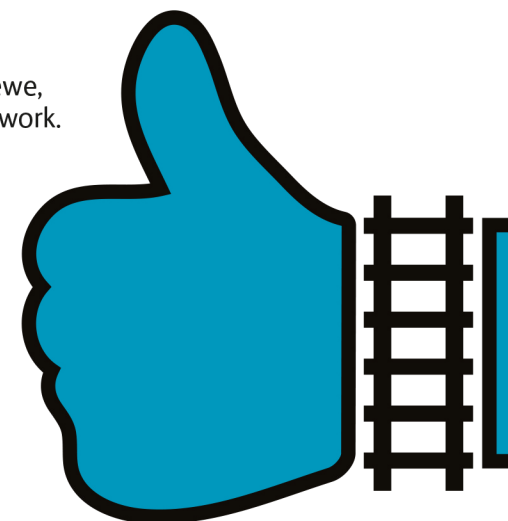
- Train services
- Trains



## Coming soon

Services will improve in December 2017, with more enhancements delivered by 2020 and beyond:

- 40,000 more train passengers to travel each day.
- Nearly 2,500 more train services every week, including improved Sunday services by 2019.
- 13m additional seats per year on TPE services.
- Earlier, later and more trains at weekends from May 2018.
- Options are being developed to upgrade the Transpennine route that aims to deliver faster, longer, more frequent and more reliable services from Newcastle, Hull and York towards Manchester and Liverpool via Leeds.
- £5m has been committed by the Department for Transport to develop plans to install digital technology along the Transpennine route.
- We are connecting Manchester, Crewe, Leeds and Sheffield on the HS2 network.
- Northern Powerhouse Rail to dramatically improve connections across the north.



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