

Department for Transport Structural Reform Plan Monthly Implementation Update	February 2012
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(1) Actions due to be completed in February 2012

In February 2012, DFT did not have any deadlines.

(2) Actions due to be started by end February 2012

Section	Action	Status
1.2(i)	Complete outline engineering design for the London-Birmingham route (due to complete April 2013)	Work ongoing
1.2(ii)	Draft environmental impact assessment (due to complete Sept 2013)	Work ongoing
1.3(i)	Respond to HS2 Ltd's proposals on design options for Manchester and Leeds routes (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
2.2(iii)	Implement new franchise strategy as existing franchise end dates are reached, including for Greater Anglia, Intercity West Coast, Intercity East Coast, Essex Thameside, Northern and Trans Pennine Express (due to complete May 2015)	Work ongoing
2.3(i)	Deliver, with Transport for London (TfL), infrastructure for Crossrail services (due to complete by end 2018)	Work ongoing
2.3(iii)	Provide funding to TfL, in line with the Spending Review 2010 funding letter to the Mayor, to support infrastructure investment in the London Underground (due to complete Mar 2015)	Work ongoing
2.3(vi)	Deliver, with Network Rail, the improved electrified services in the North West (due to complete by end 2016)	Work ongoing
2.3(vii)	Deliver, with Network Rail, rolling stock and infrastructure for Thameslink services (due to complete by end 2018)	Work ongoing
2.3(viii)	Deliver, with Network Rail, rolling stock and infrastructure for the Intercity Express Programme on the Great Western Mainline (due to complete by end 2017)	Work ongoing
2.3(ix)	Deliver the Intercity Express Programme on the East Coast Mainline (due to complete by end 2018)	Work ongoing
3.2(ii)	Review future distribution of Bus Service Operators Grant (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
3.2(iii)(b)	Wholly fund TfL project to deliver new smart readers compatible with the national ITSO specification across the London Oyster estate (due to complete June 2013)	Work ongoing
3.2(iii)(c)	Continue to specify smart ticketing requirements, compliant with the national specification, as rail franchises are renewed so that at least five rail franchises have introduced smart ticketing schemes (due to complete May 2015)	Work ongoing
3.3(ii)(c)	End need for government approval of individual local authorities' permit schemes (due to complete Apr 2012)	Work ongoing
3.4(iv)	New Kings Cross Western Concourse open to the public (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
3.5	In line with the Red Tape Challenge, bring forward proposals to reduce and reform the stock of statutory instruments and regulations for which the Department has overall responsibility (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
4.1(ii)(b)	Release second round funding to successful bidders (due to complete Mar 2013)	Work

		ongoing
4.1(iii)	Push for early EU adoption of electric vehicle infrastructure standards (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
4.1(v)(b)	Review strategy to support transition from the early ultra-low emission vehicle market to mass market (due to complete Mar 2012)	Complete
4.2(iv)	Set out and implement measures to reduce the congestion caused by incidents (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
4.3(ii)	Consult and communicate with road users on the introduction of the scheme (due to complete Dec 2013)	Work ongoing
4.3(iv)	Undertake formal procurement for scheme elements and commence operation (due to complete Apr 2014)	Work ongoing
4.7(ii)	Play an active role in the European Commission's review of long-term targets in new car and van CO2 regulations (due to complete Jan 2013)	Work ongoing
5.2(ii)	Introduce new economic regulatory regime for aviation (due to complete Dec 2013)	Work ongoing
5.2(iii)	Review the financial protection regime for passengers (ATOL), and implement revised scheme (including legislation if necessary) (due to complete Apr 2013)	Work ongoing

(3) Explanation of missed deadlines

In February 2012, DfT did not have any deadlines.

The status of missed deadlines from previous reports is:

Deadline missed	Status	Reason
3.3(ii)(b) Consult on, and finalise, regulations enabling new lane rental schemes. (end Dec 2011)	Complete	The reforms were delayed by the need to fully consider the interaction between the approach on lane rental and that taken to permitting schemes, and to ensure a coherent approach. Following consultation, the Department announced the way forward on 26 January and invited applications from interested local authorities. The regulations were laid in Parliament on 21 February.
4.7(iii) Complete transposition of Renewable Energy and Fuel Quality Directives to include mandatory sustainability standards, and enhanced incentives for waste-derived feedstocks such as used cooking oil (end Dec 2011)	Still not complete	Many of the requirements of the Fuel Quality Directive will be delivered by the closely-related Renewable Energy Directive, which was implemented fully on 15 December 2011. Owing to resource constraints, the Department prioritised implementation of the Renewable Energy Directive to ensure that only sustainable biofuels are awarded in the UK. The Fuel Quality Directive will be transposed fully as soon as is practicable in 2012.
2.1(iii) Develop and publish detailed proposals on delivering a sustainable railway including reform of Network Rail (end Nov 2011)	Still not complete	The publication date has been revised to allow time for further consideration of interdependent issues (such as the scope for decentralisation, a consultation as part of the fares and ticketing review, and a consultation on the role of the regulator) and to allow the Command Paper to properly reflect the consequences of the decision on HS2.
4.5(iv) Work with the Home Office to authorise the use of drug screening technology in police stations (end Nov 2011)	Still not complete	Authorisation depends on type approval of individual devices by the Home Secretary. This is given only following operational and laboratory tests of the devices against the type approval specification. Operational tests have been completed. New arrangements are required for the laboratory tests and the Home Office is putting these into place as quickly as technically possible.
3.3(ii)(a) Reform management of road works to increase maximum penalty charges where works overrun their agreed period (end Oct 2011)	Still not complete	The reforms have been delayed by the need to respond to detailed comments from the Regulatory Policy Committee, and to reflect those in the proposals and accompanying Impact Assessment.

(4) External Delays

In February 2012 DfT did not have any deadlines.

The status of missed deadlines from previous reports is:

Delayed actions	Reason
3.2(iii) Respond to Competition Commission report on the bus market	The Competition Commission report was originally due to be published in autumn 2011 but was delayed to 23 December. In light of that DfT will now respond to the

	report in March to coincide with the announcement on the Bus Service Operators Grant.
2.3(v) Complete the commercial arrangements for the delivery of the Intercity Express Programme.	Delays to securing planning permission and the need to conclude commercial discussions with the Agility Trains consortium and their banks has resulted in a delay to commercial close to May 2012.