

Wales & Borders
Overview of W&B and the South Wales Metro

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Overview



Transport for Wales (TfW)

 Procurement of Wales and Borders Rail Service and South Wales Metro

Our Purpose



To keep Wales moving by delivering customerfocused services, expert advice and infrastructure investment.

What is Transport for Wales?



- A not-for-profit, customer-focused company, wholly owned by the Welsh Government
- Helping to drive a step change in how we understand, plan, use and invest in transport in Wales
- A pan-Wales organisation applying local understanding for the benefit of customers
- An expert adviser to the Welsh Government and an advocate for transportrelated matters

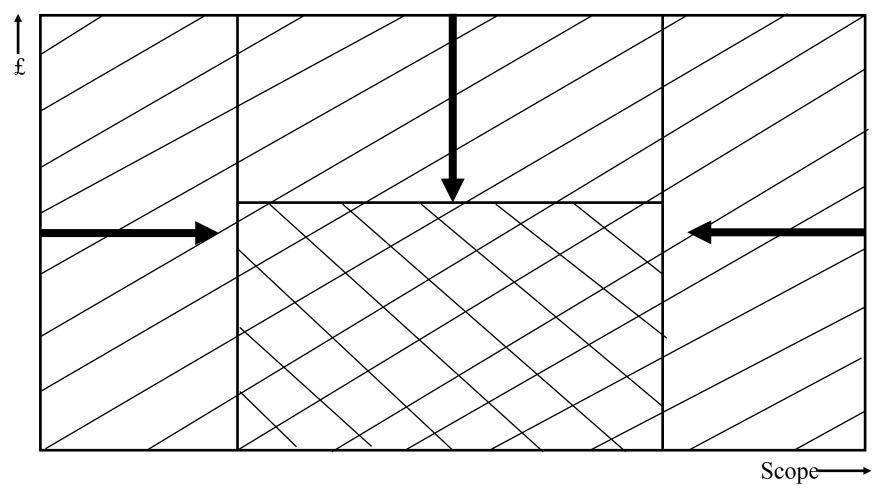
Our Relationship with the Welsh Government



- The Welsh Government develops policies for transport in Wales
- Transport for Wales provides technical advice and expertise to help the Welsh Government to develop policy
- Transport for Wales is an expert delivery organisation for the Welsh Government
- Everything Transport for Wales does supports Welsh Government policies

Not for Profit





- Current Model



- Future Model

Our Strategic Goals



- Improved customer service across transport services in Wales
- Fully integrated/joined-up transport
 with integrated ticketing quite difficult
 with the current deregulated bus market
- Reinvesting operational surpluses in transport
- Serving the whole of Wales
- Developing sustainable skills for service and infrastructure delivery

- Ensuring that communities are properly connected
- Transport modelling and land-use planning
- Improving air quality and decarbonising our transport networks
- Working with the Welsh Government to achieve the objectives of the economic action plan, Prosperity for All

Dialogue Process



OJEU with Pre-Qualification Questionnaire	July 2016
Long-list of qualified bidders	September 2016
Invitation to Participate in Dialogue	October 2016
Bidders submit outline solutions	November 2016
Shortlist of bidders for dialogue	December 2016
Dialogue about requirements and solutions	Jan-Nov 2017
Draft 'Invitation to Submit Final Tenders' (ITSFT)	July 2017
ITSFT	September 2017
Submission of Final Tenders	December 2017
Evaluation and Clarification	Jan-Mar 2018
Contractualisation and Award	Mar-May 2018



Operator and Development Partner (KeolisAmey)

- **Operator:** Taking over from Arriva Trains Wales as the Train Operator (TOC) for all rail services across the whole of Wales and Borders
- **Development Partner:** Developing, managing the implementation, operating and maintaining a 'Central Metro' around Cardiff

Infrastructure Delivery Partners

- Construction and Civil engineering in Core Valley Lines
- STRiDE Framework
- SME contracts via Sell2Wales





KeolisAmey

— Two successful Joint ventures:

Greater Manchester Metrolink – largest tram system in the UK Docklands Light Railway – 99% reliability record

Keolis - extensive transport networks in 16 countries:
 Rail in the UK, US, Netherlands and Germany
 World's leading light rail operator
 World's largest tram network in Melbourne



— Amey – extensive UK infrastructure management experience :
Railways roads utilities airports and transport hubs

Railways, roads, utilities, airports and transport hubs

Already employ 500 people in Wales

Contracts with Welsh Government, Dŵr Cymru, Isle of Anglesey, Wrexham and Network Rail

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What are the timescales?

- Public announcement of selected bidder 23rd May 2018
- Contract signature 4th June 2018
- "Preliminary Design & Discovery" phase commencement June 2018
- TOC handover from ATW − 14th October 2018
- Asset transfer from NR September 2019





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Train Services

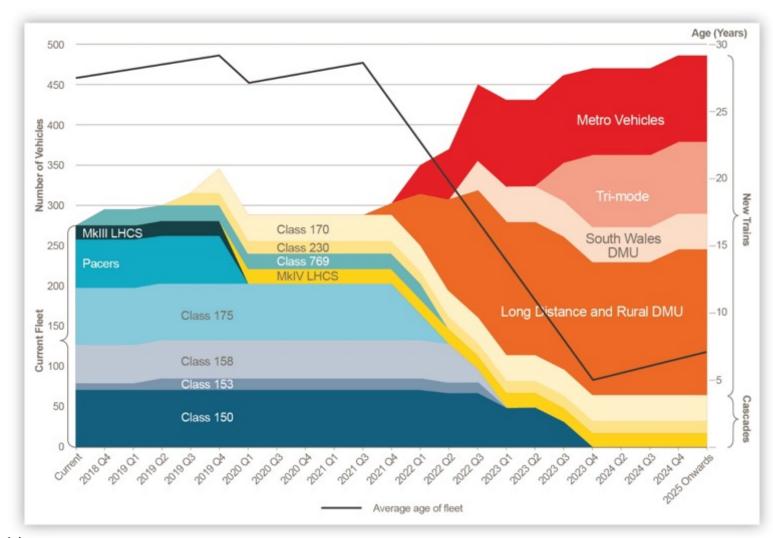


- Transformation across Wales, not just the Metro area
- Every train in Wales will be replaced, through an £800m investment
- 95% of journeys will be made on brand new trains
- More than 50% of those to be assembled in Wales



Rolling Stock Strategy and Average Age





The fleet average age will drop from 25 years today, to 7 by 2023



New trains summary - over 50% will be assembled in Wales



Requirement		Fleet Solution	Units	Depot
W&B	Rural and Suburban	CAF Civity DMU	51 x 2car	Chester and Machynlleth
			26 x 3car	
	South Wales Metro	Stadler Flirt DEMU	11 x 4car	Cardiff Canton
Central	Rhymney Valley	Stadler Flirt Tri-mode MU	7 x 3car 17 x 4car	Cardiff Canton
Metro	Treherbert, Aberdare and Merthyr Tydfil	Stadler Citylink Metro Vehicles	36 x 3car	MV depot



Significant cascades - summary



Area	Solution	Units	Depot	
Extra capacity valley lines	Introduce Class 769s, converted from class 319s ex Thameslink	59s, converted from class 319s ex 5 x 4 car (option for 4 more units)		
Rural routes in West Wales	J		Cardiff Canton	
South Wales metro lines e.g. Ebbw Vale/Maesteg	Cascade Class 170s from Greater Anglia – entering service from late 2019	8 x 3 car, 4 x 2 car	Cardiff Canton	
North Wales Metro	Heavily rebuild and refurbish Vivarail Class 230s. 5 x 3 car Battery assistance (hybrid)		Wrexham/Chester	
North - South Wales Express services	Mark IV carriages ex LNER replace Mark IIIs Dec 19	3 x 4 coach sets + DVT	Cardiff Canton	

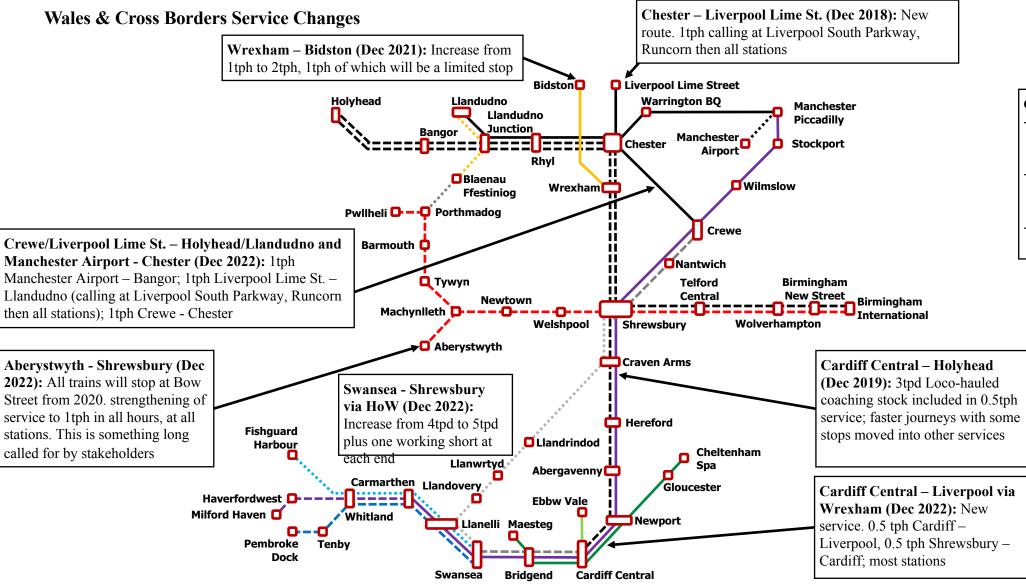
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Train Services



- We will increase capacity by 65%
- We will establish the railway as a true 7-day service. New Sunday services will begin in 2019 with an immediate a 22% increase in Sunday mileage







General changes:

- Dec 2019: Earlier trains and more frequent services on Sundays
- May 2023: Further increase in Sunday journeys on WCB routes
- December 2024: 2tph on all CVL routes on Sundays





Station Improvement Fund

We will invest nearly £200m in improvement works across all Rail Services stations, in addition to the CVL Transformation programme, including:

- £40m to upgrade and enhance station facilities including waiting rooms, shelters, toilets, customer information screens, digital information screens and monitored CCTV to all stations
- £20m to improve the station catering and retail offer
- £15m to improve accessibility and provide step free access
- £15m to provide 1,500 new parking spaces
- £10m fund to provide community space at stations
- £15m for new ticket machines, Smart Ticketing equipment and new gatelines
- £10m to provide free wi-fi at all stations
- Covered cycle storage at all stations
- A dedicated Art and Green fund
- Plus flagship schemes (see over)

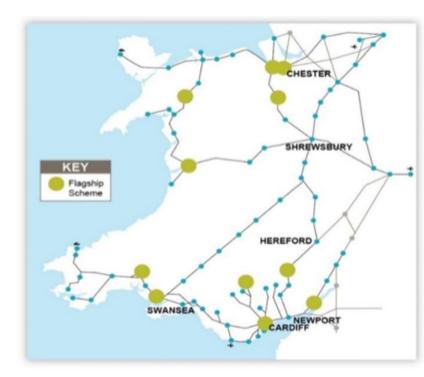


Flagship station investments



Flagship schemes at:

- Chester: concourse / interchange, car park, masterplan
- Shotton: integrate high and low-level stations, interchange
- Llanelli: improve environment / placemaking
- Wrexham General: multi-modal interchange,
- Abergavenny: key Disability Wales pilot station for accessibility and inclusive design
- Blaenau Ffestiniog: co-funding of new station building, as part of local partnership and economic masterplan to support the Conwy Valley Line and the Ffestiniog Railway
- Carmarthen: pedestrian routes, cycle zone and tourism
- Chepstow: facilities for tourists and coach/bus interchange
- Machynlleth: pilot station to trial 'dementia friendly' design features, as per stakeholder discussions
- Merthyr Tydfil: hub facilities for Active Travel



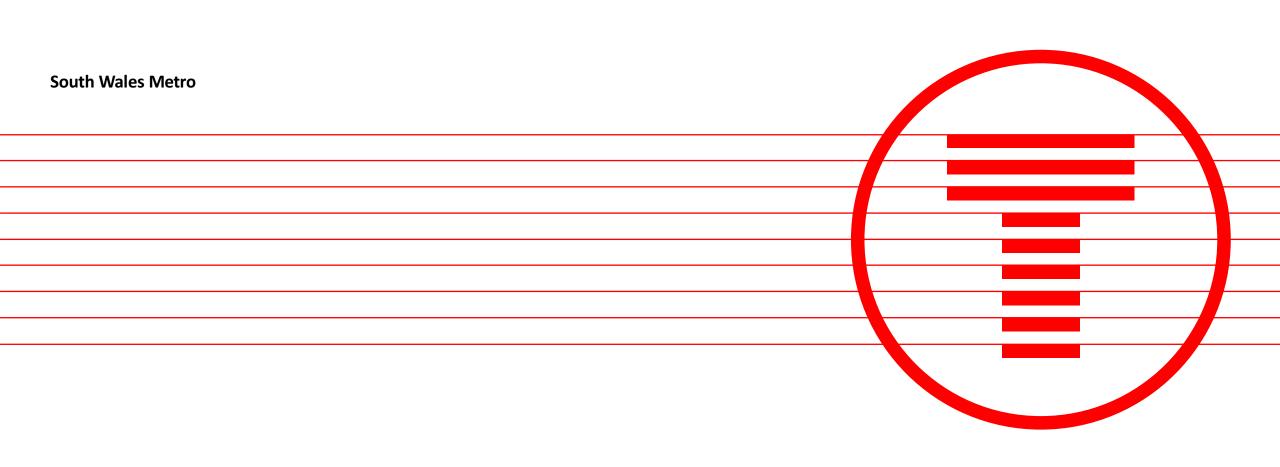








Over 600 new jobs directly created plus 450 apprenticeships



What is Metro?











Light Rail



Active Travel



What is the South Wales Metro and what is Central Metro?

- **South Wales Metro** includes the full set of local services around South East Wales:
 - o This includes what is currently known as the 'Valley Lines', plus services between Cardiff and Ebbw Vale, Maesteg and extending to Severn Tunnel Junction and beyond.
- Central Metro refers to the sub-set of the South Wales Metro train services which run from Treherbert, Aberdare, Merthyr Tydfil, Radyr, Rhymney and Coryton, through Queen Street to Cardiff Bay, Cardiff Central, Penarth, Barry Island and Bridgend.
- The Central Metro solution avoids the need to change trains to cross Cardiff and integrates the City Line, Penarth, Barry Island and Bridgend with the portions of the Valley Lines which transfer from NR.

<u>Current</u> ATW Service Pattern (Valley Lines)

Weekday peak and off-peak service pattern

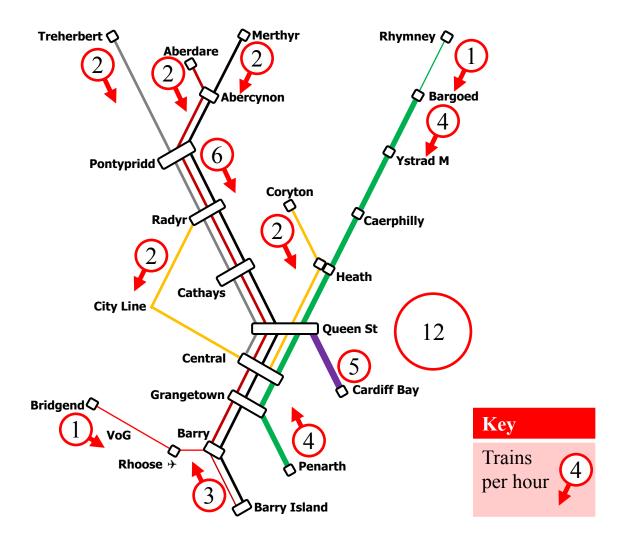


Key features

Trains to Bridgend originate at Merthyr but trains from Bridgend run to Aberdare

Some exceptions to the pattern to facilitate freight and peak strengthening of services

Services are linked across Cardiff – to minimise reversing moves at Central and Queen Street



December 2023 solution for Central Metro

Monday to Saturday all-day service pattern



Customer Impacts

Maintains all existing connections to Queen Street and Central

Service pattern easy to understand

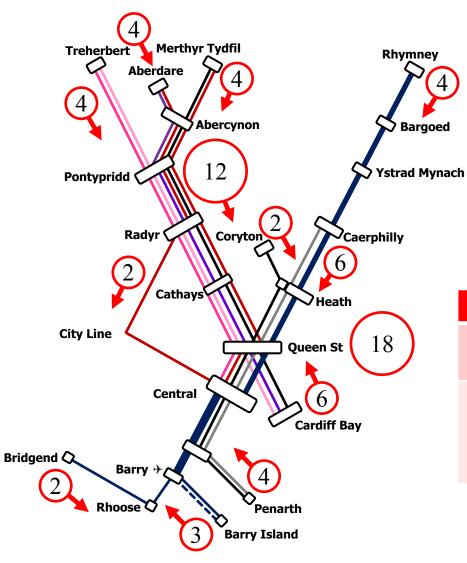
Most frequencies even in the hour 'clockface' (e.g. 00-15-30-45 past)

Key

trains

per hour

Key --- = 2tph (MV) --- = 2tph (Tri) = 3tph (Tri) = 4tph (Tri) = 5tph (Tri)



Notes

VoG, Barry, Penarth and City Line integrated into Central Metro solution

2tph from Pontypridd 'divert' via City Line but don't terminate at Central i.e. Aberdare – City Line – Central – Merthyr December 2023 improvement on current timetable

Monday to Saturday all-day service pattern



Customer Impacts

Doubling of frequency for Treherbert, Aberdare and Merthyr Tydfil

An additional 3tph running to and from Rhymney

An additional service every hour on the Vale of Glamorgan

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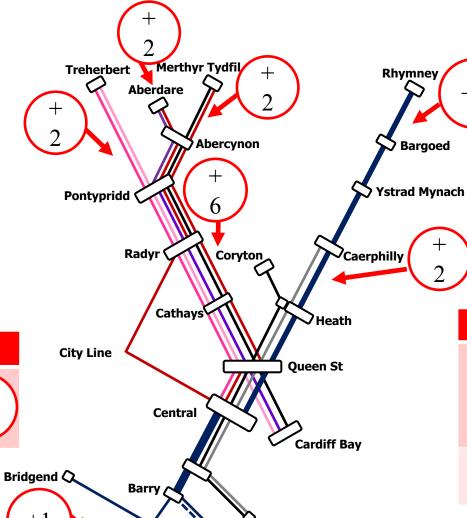
Increase

in trains

per hour

+2

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Penarth

Barry Island

Notes

Two of four services per hour from Treherbert, Aberdare and Merthyr Tydfil will run directly to Cardiff Bay, removing the need for passengers on these lines to change trains

For Dec 2024, Bay line extended to Flourish and new station opened at Loudoun Square

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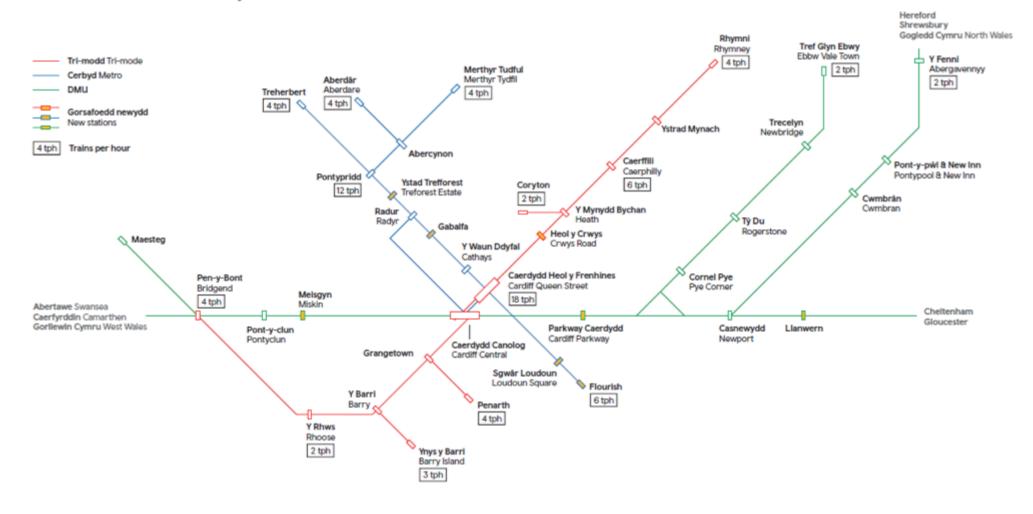
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= 5tph (Tri)



Metro De Cymru (rheilffordd) erbyn 2023 South Wales Metro (rail) by 2023



What this means for passengers
A really big change in frequency, journey time and capacity



Journey	Trains per hour now	2023 Trains per hour	Journey time now (mins)	2023 Journey time (mins)	2019 AM peak capacity	2023 AM peak capacity	% change
Treherbert > Queen St	2	4	57	46	1206	2570	+113%
Aberdare > Queen St	2	4	57	43	1516	2056	+36%
Merthyr Tydfil > Queen St	2	4	56	44	1326	2313	+74%
Treherbert > Bay	-	2	72 inc. change	50 (direct)	-	-	-
Aberdare > Bay	-	2	72 inc. change	47 (direct)	-	-	-
Merthyr Tydfil > Bay	-	2	71 inc. change	48 (direct)	-	-	-
Pontypridd > Queen St	6	12	26	22	4048	6939	+71%
Rhymney > Central	1	4	61	48	2542	3495	+37%
Caerphilly > Central	4	6	19	16	2542	4452	+75%
Coryton > Central	2	2	18	20 (extra stop)	603	957	+59%
Penarth > Central	4	4	12	11	1856	1914	+3%
Barry > Central	4	5	24	23	2094	2857	+36%

TRAINS PER HOUR IS THE STANDARD WEEKDAY DAYTIME PATTERN. AM PEAK MEASURED 07:30 – 08:59. EXTRA STOP IS AT CRWYS ROAD.



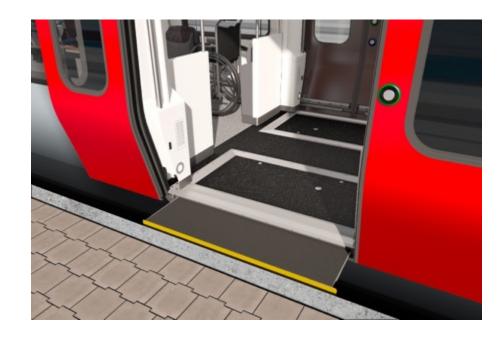


Stations

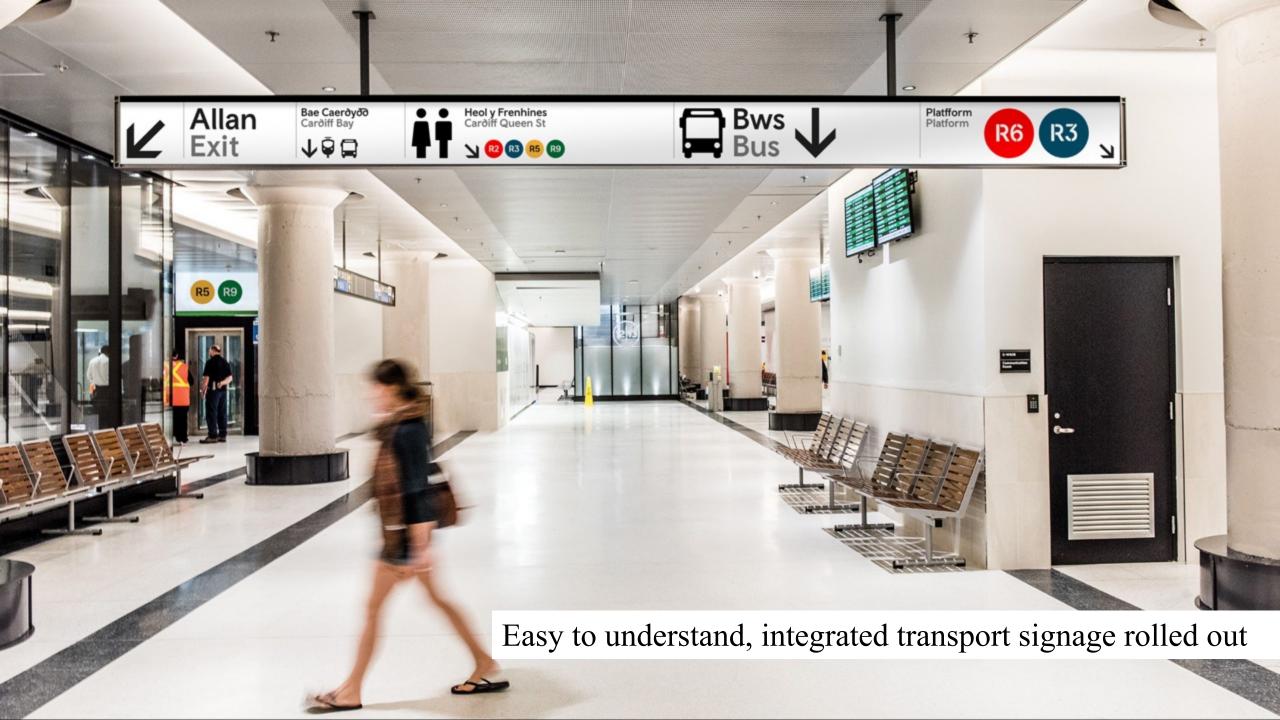
Delivery of new stations at Crwys Road, Gabalfa, Flourish, and Loudoun Square will provide rail
access for currently disconnected communities.

 Relocation of Treforest Estate station much closer to Nantgarw, with a new bridge over the River Taff

 Level boarding – no step from platform to train throughout the SW metro area.









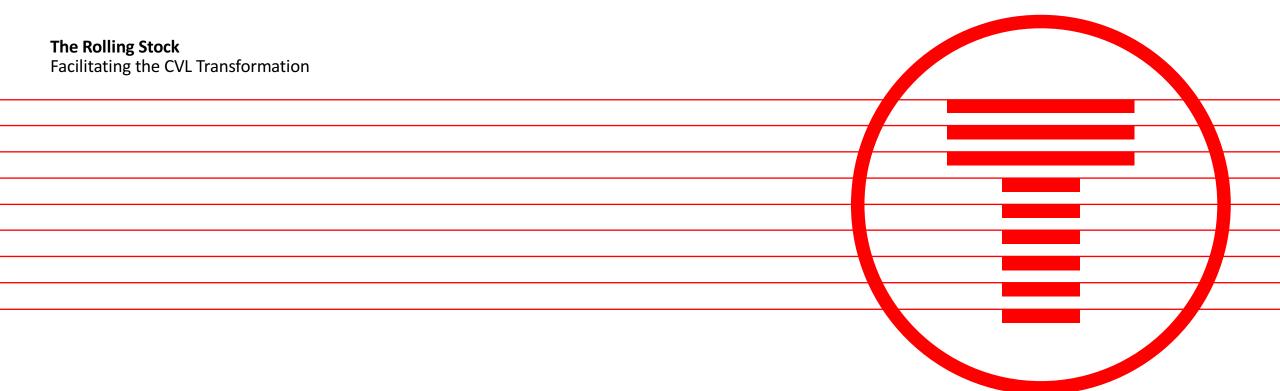
Overview of the Concept Design

- Track 15 sites where track is re-doubled, 1 major junction remodelled, numerous line speed improvements, new on-street (tramway) section of line at Cardiff Bay to Flourish.
- Maintenance and Control new rolling stock maintenance depot and control centre. Upgrades for "tram-train" mixed-mode operation.
- **Electrification** discontinuous overhead line electrification to 25kV AC with permanently earthed

sections around restricted structures, saving 55 interventions e.g. rebuilding bridges/no need for wire in Caerphilly tunnel

Civils – 5 new + 1 relocated stations, 13 new platforms,
 10 new station footbridges, 3 new road over rail bridges,
 6 station accessibility schemes and work at all stations to improve facilities.





Metro-Vehicles

Electric LRVs for Treherbert/Aberdare/Merthyr Tydfil <> Cardiff Central/Bay



- 36x40m articulated Metro Vehicles that can be coupled to form 80m trains
- Main power source 25kV overhead line but also operates from battery
- Capacity of 257 with seats for 129
- Capable of on-street line-of-sight 'tramway' operation.





Tri-Modes

Diesel/Electric/Battery Tri-mode trains for Rhymney/Coryton >> Penarth/Barry Island/Bridgend via VoG



- 24x65/80metre trains
- Main power source 25kV overhead line with battery and diesel engine
- Capacity of up to 425 with up to 191 seats
- Maintained at Cardiff Canton
- 100% electric operation on transferred metro network



Stabling

More frequent trains means more units which means more stabling



- New Depot and maintenance facility
 - Capacity for over 30 Metro Vehicles, allowing space for future fleet expansion
- Increased stabling capacity and improved facility at Treherbert
 - We plan to stable 13 Metro Vehicles here but there is space for future expansion
- Cardiff Canton
 - Capacity for 18 Tri-mode trains + other SW Metro and WCB fleets
- Increased stabling capacity at Rhymney
 - We plan to stable 6 Tri-mode trains here, but there is space for future expansion





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