

26 October 2017

Closure Ratification Notice – Norton Bridge station

1. On 25 August 2017 the Department for Transport asked the Office of Rail and Road (ORR) to ratify the proposal to close Norton Bridge station.
2. Further to s32(8) of the Railways Act 2005 (the Act), I am satisfied that:
 - a) there has been no failure or defect in the consultation; and
 - b) the proposal satisfies the criteria set out in the relevant part of the closure guidance issued under the Act.
3. Having considered the overall proposal, I hereby ratify the closure of Norton Bridge station.
4. Under s33(2) of the Act, ORR may “impose such requirements relevant to the proposal as it considers appropriate”. I do not consider it appropriate to impose such requirements.
5. Under ORR’s powers in s32(9)(b) of the Act, I require the operator of Norton Bridge station to display this notice at the station for a period of 4 weeks following the date of this notice. In addition, I require the operators of the stations in the area affected by the closure – Barlaston, Birmingham New Street, Coseley, Crewe, Dudley Port, London Euston, Penkridge, Sandwell and Dudley, Smethwick Galton Bridge, Smethwick Rolfe Street, Stafford, Stone, Tipton and Wedgewood stations – to display this notice at those stations for the same period.



Gerry Leighton
Duly authorised by the Office of Rail and Road

