Recommendation Status Report: Track worker struck by a train near Surbiton station, south-west London

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The status of the recommendation(s), as reported to us, are described by the following categories:

Key to Recommendation Status

Open **(replaces Progressing and Implementation On-going)**	Actions to address the recommendation are ongoing.
Closed **(replaces Implemented, Implemented by alternative means, and Non-implementation)**	ORR consider the recommendation to have been taken into consideration by an end implementer and evidence provided to show action taken or justification for no action taken.
Insufficient response:	The end implementer has not provided sufficient evidence that the recommendation has been taken into consideration, or if it has, the action proposed does not address the recommendation, or there is insufficient evidence to support no action being taken.
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Red – RAIB has concerns that no actions have been taken in response to a recommendation.

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Report Number	05/2022
Date of Incident	09/02/2021

Rec No.	Status	RAIB Concern	Recommendation	RAIB Summary of current status
05/2022/01	Closed - I	None	The intent of this recommendation is to prevent accidents and near misses due to staff working on or near the line moving beyond safe working limits. Network Rail should review whether safe systems of work in which staff are working on or near the line, and where some or all lines remain open to traffic, incorporate adequate risk controls so that members of the work group remain within the designated safe limits. The review should consider including the role of appropriate technology and whether having members of the work group undertaking multiple tasks could compromise risk controls. Network Rail should implement any necessary changes identified in accordance with a timebound plan (paragraph 139a, 139b and 140).	ORR has reported that Network Rail has reported that it has completed actions taken in response to this recommendation. ORR proposes to take no further action unless they become aware that the information provided becomes inaccurate.
05/2022/02	Closed - I	None	The intent of this recommendation is to support and improve the judgement of train drivers as to whether track workers are in close proximity to their train, and reinforce the necessary action to take if there is a possibility that track workers are likely to be struck. The Rail Delivery Group, with the support of RSSB, should identify the issues drivers face in judging the proximity of track workers to the swept path of their train. They should develop training and briefing materials to better prepare drivers to make accurate judgements as to when track workers are at risk of being struck and to react appropriately, for example by sounding the urgent warning. The Rail Delivery Group should share the resulting training and briefing material with transport undertakings (paragraph 139b).	ORR has reported that RDG and RSSB have reported that they have completed actions taken in response to this recommendation. ORR proposes to take no further action unless they become aware that the information provided becomes inaccurate.

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05/2022/03	Closed - I	None	The intent of this recommendation is for Network Rail to understand the reasons underlying the non-compliances identified during this investigation and learn from them. Network Rail should review working practices at Woking track section to understand the extent and nature of any non-compliances relating to safe systems of work and their related rules, procedures, and behaviours. This review should seek to understand the underlying reasons behind any non-compliances identified and if they may apply more widely to other track sections. Network Rail should take actions to address any issues identified by this review (paragraph 141)	ORR has reported that Network Rail has reported that it has completed actions taken in response to this recommendation. ORR proposes to take no further action unless they become aware that the information provided becomes inaccurate.