Recommendation Status Report: Collision between on-track machines near to Strood, Kent

This report is based on information provided to the RAIB by the relevant safety authority or public body.

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.		
Superseded:	The recommendation has been superseded either by a newer recommendation or actions have subsequently been taken by the end implementer that have superseded the recommendation.		
Awaiting response:	Awaiting initial report from the relevant safety authority or public body on the status of the recommendation.		

RAIB concern over the way that an organisation has responded to a recommendation are indicated by one of the following:

Red – RAIB has concerns that no actions have been taken in response to a recommendation.

Blue – RAIB has concerns that the actions taken, or proposed, are inappropriate or insufficient to address the risk identified during the investigation.

White – RAIB notes substantive actions have been reported, but the RAIB still has concerns.

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Rec No.	Status	RAIB Concern	Recommendation	RAIB Summary of current status
11/2024/01	Awaiting Response	None	The intent of this recommendation is that the risks of engineering vehicle operation on High Speed 1 are appropriately controlled.	
			Network Rail High Speed, working in conjunction with Balfour Beatty Rail and other relevant suppliers, should undertake a risk-based review of the design of on-track plant and machines, relevant rules, standards, procedures, and training material relating to the movement of on-track	
			plant and on-track machines, including those relating to propelling movements.	
			Network Rail High Speed should develop a timebound programme for the	
			implementation of any appropriate changes identified (paragraph 106).	
11/2024/02	Awaiting Response	None	The intent of this recommendation is that staff work within a robust procedural framework when on or near the line.	
			Network Rail High Speed should undertake a risk-based review of the relevant rules, standards, procedures, and training material to check that they provide an effective framework for staff to work safely during engineering possessions.	
			Network Rail High Speed should develop a timebound programme for the implementation of any appropriate changes identified (paragraph 106).	
11/2024/03	Awaiting Response	None	The intent of this recommendation is for Network Rail High Speed to ensure that recommendations and local actions are reviewed and implemented in a way that reflects their intent and that this process can be tracked and used to support safety decision-making.	

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			Network Rail High Speed should review its procedures for handling recommendations and local actions from internal and external safety investigations. This review should specifically examine how recommendations are considered and implemented, and how the effectiveness of any measures taken to implement recommendations are assessed to ensure that the risk that the recommendation was designed to address has been sufficiently mitigated. This review should also consider how the implementation of recommendations is recorded and how this can be used to support future decisions concerning safety. Network Rail High Speed should develop a timebound programme for the implementation of any appropriate changes identified (paragraph 105b.ii).
11/2024/04	Awaiting Response	None	The intent of this recommendation is for HS1 Ltd to exercise more effective strategic safety assurance of its suppliers. HS1 Ltd should review the findings from this investigation to establish if it
			can make improvements to the strategic safety assurance of its suppliers. HS1 Ltd should develop a timebound programme for the implementation of any appropriate changes identified (paragraph 107).