

South Wales Main Line (SWML) – Aspirations & Proposals

A major upgrade of the SWML in terms of capacity, line speed, rolling stock and widespread electrification, to enable:

- Additional express services to Swansea and West Wales from London, Bristol Temple Meads and the English Midlands, as well as better access to Heathrow Airport.
- Our journey time ambitions are:
 - Cardiff - London in 85 minutes
 - Cardiff - Swansea in 30 minutes
 - Cardiff - Bristol Temple Meads in 35 minutes
 - Cardiff - Carmarthen in 75 minutes
- New local commuter services (including more services to Bristol Temple Meads) and further stations including: Cardiff Parkway, Llanwern, Newport Rd/Rover Way, Magor, M4 J33, St Clears, Cockett.
- Address major network bottlenecks on the SWML at Ebbw Line Park junction and Cardiff West and upgrade Marches, Ebbw Valley and Maesteg lines.
- Interchange at key hubs between express SWML services and our Metros, local commuter rail, new tram-train (incl. Cardiff Crossrail/NW Corridor and Swansea Metro service) and bus services right across South Wales from Milford Haven to Severn Tunnel Junction.



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