

**THE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMISSION'S (HSC) RAILWAY INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RIAC)  
PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 2002/03 AND BEYOND**

<b>Work Item</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004 &amp; beyond</b>	<b>Key outcomes</b>
<b>HSC Strategy Specific Aim 1:</b>				
<b>Revitalise health and safety performance on the railways through targeted regulatory action</b>				
1. Undertake initiatives to address railway crime (including trespass, vandalism and violence to staff)	<p><b>June</b> – A session on railway crime was included at the RIAC public meeting in York.</p> <p><b>Nov</b> – RIAC endorsed the work of the rail industry's National Route Crime Group.</p>			<b>Maintain a watching brief on National Route Crime Group work, linking as appropriate.</b>
2. Promote a safety culture in the railway industry (including promoting health and safety best practice)	<p><b>Nov</b> – RIAC reviewed and supported the HSC's strategy (2002-05) for improving health and safety on the railways.</p>	(see item 14 below)		<b>Delivery of HSC's strategy (2002- 05) for improving health and safety on the railways.</b>
3. Promote occupational health in the railway industry	<p><b>June</b> – Initial discussion of the way forward in promoting Occupational Health in Railways Industry.</p> <p><b>Nov</b> – RIAC agreed to reconstitute its Occupational Health Sub Group to draft a strategy to promote occupational health in the railway industry.</p>	<p><b>March</b> – Progress report on work on RIAC strategy for promoting occupational health.</p> <p><b>May</b> – Independent Chair appointed to RIAC OHWG</p> <p><b>Oct</b> – Progress report</p>	<b>2004</b> – Agree and publish RIAC occupational health strategy	<b>RIAC occupational health strategy (including an action plan linked to HSC's Securing Health Together Programme).</b>
4. Identify key priorities for future railway safety research (2005 and beyond)		<p><b>Sept</b> – Special RIAC meeting to consider Committee's role in railway research</p> <p><b>Oct</b> – Paper on RIAC's role in railway research</p>		<b>Key priorities for railway related research for 2005 and beyond</b>

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5. Managing contractors in safety critical work (including railways maintenance and renewal)		<b>March</b> – Paper on contractorisation and proposed research project.		
<b><i>HSC Strategy Specific Aim 2: Provide an effective and transparent regulatory framework</i></b>				
6. Review the Railway (Safety Case) Regulations (RSCR)	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC discussed the timetable and progress on the evaluation and review of regulations on railway safety case.	<b>April</b> - Report on emerging findings from the evaluation and review.  <b>Oct</b> – Paper on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  <b>Oct</b> - Discussion Document published.	Draft CD on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  Final proposals (Oct 04)	<b>Revised Railways (Safety Case) Regulations</b>
7. Review of the approvals regime	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC discussed the proposed project plan and timetable for the review of the Railways and Other Transport Systems (Work, Plant & Equipment) Regulations (ROTS)	<b>Oct</b> – Paper on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  <b>Oct</b> - Discussion Document published.	Draft CD on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  Final proposals (Oct 04)	<b>Revised arrangements in place for ensuring safety of railway works, plant and equipment</b>
8. Ensuring high standards in the supply chain for goods and services on the railways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (a) review of ROTs (see 7 above);</li> <li>- (b) accreditation</li> <li>- (c) interoperability</li> </ul>	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC progress report paper.	<b>March</b> – (b) RIAC considered options for the accreditation of the supply chain. <b>April</b> – (b) Advice on options to HSC. <b>Oct</b> – Paper on shaping the future of railway health and	Draft CD on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  Final proposals (Oct 04)	<b>Decision by HSC on how to implement Lord Cullen's recommendation on accreditation of the supply chain</b>

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		safety legislation  <b>Oct</b> - Discussion Document published.		
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9. Improving competence  - (a) review of Railway (Safety Critical Work) Regulations (R(SCW)R) - (b) licensing - (c) framework for skills	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC progress report paper.	<b>March</b> – (a) RIAC considered options arising from review of R(SCW)R. (b) Consideration of options for the accreditation of the supply chain.  <b>April</b> – (a) & (b) Advice on options to HSC.  <b>Oct</b> – Paper on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  <b>Oct</b> - Discussion Document published.	Draft CD on shaping the future of railway health and safety legislation  Final proposals (Oct 04)	<b>(a) &amp; (b) Decision by HSC on how to take forward the outcome of the review of R(SCW)R.</b>  <b>(c) Synergy between Lord Cullen's recommendations on competence and the Framework for Skills.</b>

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10. Advise on the European Rail Traffic Management System (ERTMS)	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC discussed the outcome of the HSE review of the rail industry's ERTMS programme team report and the emerging findings from the public dialogue on train protection.	<b>9 Jan</b> – Special RIAC meeting on ERTMS.		<b>Advice given to the HSC on ERTMS on 14 January 2003</b>
11. Passenger safety & crowding		<b>15 Jan</b> – Transport Select Committee inquiry into overcrowding on public transport  <b>Oct</b> – Theme for RIAC public meeting		
12. RIAC public meetings	<b>June</b> – Meeting held in York	<b>Oct</b> – Public meeting in Birmingham.	<b>June 04</b> – Public meeting <b>June 05</b> – Public meeting	<b>One public meeting per year</b>
13. Reconstitution of RIAC and its Sub Groups	<b>Nov</b> – RIAC agreed its Programme of Work for 2002/03 & beyond and to review its subgroups	<b>March</b> – RIAC agreed proposals arising from review of working groups. New reporting arrangements between RIAC and sub groups.	<b>March 04</b> – Review of working group arrangements	<b>Improved working arrangements</b>
<b><i>HSC Strategy Specific Aim 3: Ensure the delivery of the improvements recommended in public inquiry reports</i></b>				
14. Guidance on priorities in changes proposed in public inquiries	<b>Nov</b> – Review of HSC's strategy	<b>Aug</b> – Updated themed progress report circulated to members.		<b>Annual progress reports</b>
15. Creation of the Rail Safety and Standards Board (RSSB)	<b>June</b> – RIAC advice to HSC on new body and its relationship with HSC	<b>April</b> - RSSB established		
16. Creation of the Railway Accident Investigation Branch (RAIB)	<b>July</b> – DfT consultation paper on establishing RAIB circulated to RIAC members	<b>Summer</b> - RAIB established		

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<b><i>HSC Strategy Specific Aim 4: Influence and contribute to the wider strategies of other rail stakeholders to maximise our collective contributions to rail health and safety</i></b>				
17. Rail Regulator's interim review of Track Access Charges	<b>Nov</b> –ORR gave a presentation on the review	<b>Sept</b> – Regulator publishes draft interim review conclusions.  <b>Oct</b> – Report to RIAC on draft conclusions.  <b>Dec</b> - Final conclusions	<b>2004</b> – Implementation of conclusions	
18. Review of stakeholders perceptions of HSE	<b>Nov</b> – The research contractors (Business Strategy Group) gave a presentation on the review	<b>Jan</b> – Interviews with stakeholders  <b>1 May</b> – Report emerging findings to key rail stakeholders  <b>Oct</b> – Paper on findings of rail stakeholder survey and HSE's response.		<b>New approaches to working with rail stakeholders</b>
<b><i>HSC Strategy Apectic Aim 5: Shape the rail safety agenda in Europe so that it aligns as far as possible with UK structures and approaches</i></b>				
19. Advice to HSC on European legislation and strategic developments	<b>June</b> – RIAC considered a draft response to DfT on 2 <sup>nd</sup> EC Railways package			
20. Mapping EU Member States systems and approaches to railway safety			<b>March</b> – Mapping paper	

\*Items in red are RIAC led

Glossary or terms

RIAC – Railway Industry Advisory Committee

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HSC – Health and Safety Commission

DfT – Department for Transport

DfES – Department for Education and Skills

SRA – Strategic Rail Authority

RSSB – Rail Safety & Standards Board

RAIB – Rail Accident Investigation Branch

CD – Consultation Document

EU – European Union

EC – European Commission