

# THE UNSOCIAL MEDIA November 2015

## **MOBILE PHONES.**

The company have advised us they are intending to replace the current mobile phones issued to drivers. They added that they are aware some drivers have reported their phones do not work and some phone batteries do not hold a charge. The date for rollout of the new phones has yet to be arranged.

## **CHRISTMAS BLOCKADE.**

As you will be aware, the blockade will see services terminating before Purley in both directions. We have raised with GTR the possibility that some drivers have no alternative means of transport and rely on the train services to get to and from work. They have advised us that in these cases, the drivers should approach their Line Managers asap.

## **ORDERING REPLACEMENT UNIFORMS.**

From June / July 2016, an alternative system will be introduced for ordering replacement uniforms. The points system will remain and staff can order replacements over a rolling 12 month period. This will provide a facility for staff to be able to order directly on line using PC's, tablets or mobile phones and will be available 24-7, there will be no requirement for a GTR email address. However, the current arrangements will remain in place for staff who wish to continue to use them (ordering through the Depot support). Replacements for uniforms that are damaged or worn will be replaced in line with the current arrangements.

## **UPDATE ON SEATS AND DSD's REPLACEMENTS ON 377 UNITS.**

As of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November, we were advised there a total of 105 seats and 168 DSD assemblies have been replaced. The following Class 377 units are now fitted with the Move seat:

101, 102, 105, 106, 107, 108, 112, 114, 118, 120, 123, 125, 126, 132, 135, 136, 143, 147, 148, 156, 159, 201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 305, 306, 308, 309, 312, 314, 316, 317, 310, 321, 327, 411, 414, 415, 419, 420, 424, 427, 437, 440, 446, 451 (currently one end only), 455, 458, 461, 462, 467

The following have the modified DSD assembly:

101, 103, 104, 105, 107, 108, 113, 114, 118, 120, 121, 122, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 135, 136, 138, 147, 148, 154, 155, 157, 161, 162, 163, 201, 202, 203, 206, 209, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 311, 312, 314, 317, 320, 321, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 405, 406, 412, 424, 416, 418, 419, 420, 426, 427, 428, 431, 433, 437, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 447, 449, 451, 455, 459, 461, 462, 463, 465, 466, 467, 472

## **DIVIDED TRAIN IN THE BATTERSEA PARK AREA.**

We have received an update from GTR and sent this out in a recent Bastille (22<sup>nd</sup> November). We have also passed this matter on to the Chair and Secretary of the Health and Safety Committee, as this is an issue that falls within their remit.

## **STAFF CAR PARKING 2016.**

We have been in correspondence with GTR over the proposals for staff from January 2016 We sent out a Bastille on the 21<sup>st</sup> November advising members of the up to date position. On the 26<sup>th</sup> November, we were sent a copy of the latest staff brief. We have again raised the concerns about the proposed new process **and also the fact there was no consultation with us.** Management will get back to us by no later than the end of next week.

## **RAISING WORKPLACE ISSUES.**

With reference to the article we placed in our September Unsocial Media, Should any member find themselves in need of advice or assistance for a Depot or local related issue then their elected LDC should be their first port of call. This keeps everything in line with the Union structure and machinery. Going outside of this process can A) Undermine your Local Reps, and B) Muddy the machinery process. Obviously if you deem your situation to be of a magnitude that warrants our involvement straight away, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

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