

Brighton Main Line Route Utilisation Strategy

Timetable Proposals for December 2008:
Off peak Redhill – Tonbridge services

January 2008

1. Introduction

As a result of the Brighton Main Line Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS) implementation, significant timetable changes are planned for the Southern route from December 2008.

An earlier document - 'Brighton Main Line Route Utilisation Strategy, Timetable Proposals for December 2008 - Stakeholder Consultation' – outlined the proposed timetable and stakeholder comments were invited by 31 December 2007.

Section 6 of the document proposed peak time services between Redhill and Tonbridge. It also noted "*off peak, standard hour services may change though details are yet to be determined. Stakeholders will be able to comment on any proposed changes to the off peak service at a later date*".

Please see below, details of the proposed off peak service.

Stakeholders are invited to comment by 31 January 2008. Comments can be sent by email to timetabledec2008@southernrailway.com or by post to December 2008 Timetable Consultation Response, Southern, 26-28 Addiscombe Road, Croydon, CR9 5GA. If you would like to comment but are unable to meet the deadline, please call 020 8929 8674 to discuss.

2. Off peak Redhill – Tonbridge services

It is proposed to replace the hourly trains between London Bridge and Tunbridge Wells, and between Tunbridge Wells and Horsham with hourly trains between Redhill and Tonbridge, and direct trains between London Bridge and Horsham.

Together with the existing London Bridge - Horsham train service, this proposal doubles the frequency (to half-hourly) from London Bridge, Norwood Junction, East Croydon, Purley, Coulsdon South and Merstham to Horley, Gatwick Airport, Three Bridges, Crawley, Ifield, Littlehaven and Horsham.

This proposal removes direct trains from the Tonbridge line to both Gatwick Airport and London Bridge, and reduces the train service between Tonbridge and Redhill to one train per hour.

It provides half-hourly direct trains between Purley, Coulsdon South, Merstham and Gatwick Airport, and improved connections between Gatwick Airport and the Caterham and Tattenham Corner branches.

3. Current timetable

London Victoria	XX02		XX32		
London Bridge		XX03			XX33
Norwood Junction		XX16			XX46
East Croydon	XX18	XX21	XX48		XX51
Purley		XX26			XX56
Coulsdon South		XX29			XX59
Merstham		XX35		From Horsham	XX05
Redhill	XX30	XX39	XX00	XX07	XX09
Nutfield		XX43		XX11	
Godstone		XX49		XX17	
Edenbridge		XX54		XX22	
Penshurst		XX01		XX29	
Leigh		XX04		XX32	
Tonbridge		XX08		XX37	
	To Arun Valley	To Tonbridge Wells	To Arun Valley	To Tonbridge Wells	To Horsham

	From Tonbridge Wells	From Arun Valley	From Horsham	From Tonbridge Wells	From Arun Valley
Tonbridge	XX34			XX04	
Leigh	XX38			XX08	
Penshurst	XX41			XX12	
Edenbridge	XX48			XX19	
Godstone	XX54			XX25	
Nutfield	XX00			XX31	
Redhill	XX05	XX18	XX37	XX40	XX48
Merstham	XX09		XX41	To Horsham	
Coulsdon South	XX14		XX46		
Purley	XX18		XX49		
East Croydon	XX23	XX29	XX55		XX00
Norwood Junction	XX28		XX59		
London Bridge	XX40		XX12		
London Victoria		XX46			XX18

4. Proposed timetable*

These are off peak timings applying between 1003 and 1603 from Redhill and between 0924 and 1624 from Tonbridge.

London Victoria	XX02		XX32		
London Bridge		XX03			XX33
Norwood Junction		XX16			XX46
East Croydon	XX18	XX21	XX48		XX51
Purley		XX27			XX57
Coulsdon South		XX30			XX00
Merstham		XX36			XX06
Redhill	XX30	XX39	XX00	XX03	XX09
Nutfield				XX07	
Godstone				XX13	
Edenbridge				XX18	
Penshurst				XX25	
Leigh				XX28	
Tonbridge				XX33	
	To Arun Valley	To Horsham	To Arun Valley		To Horsham

		From Horsham	From Arun Valley	From Horsham	From Arun Valley
Tonbridge	XX24				
Leigh	XX28				
Penshurst	XX32				
Edenbridge	XX38				
Godstone	XX45				
Nutfield	XX50				
Redhill	XX55	XX07	XX16	XX37	XX48
Merstham		XX11		XX41	
Coulsdon South		XX16		XX46	
Purley		XX19		XX49	
East Croydon		XX25	XX28	XX55	XX00
Norwood Junction		XX29		XX59	
London Bridge		XX42		XX12	
London Victoria			XX44		XX16

* = Indicative timings – subject to full validation as part of the normal timetabling process.

5. Proposed Peak Timetable

Southern will operate services on the Redhill –Tonbridge route. There will be additional direct trains to East Croydon and London in the morning peak.

The following tables note the proposed peak services shown in the original December 2008 timetable document. These still apply except there is no service at 0908 from Tonbridge and the 1607 train from Redhill to Tonbridge is retimed to 1603 as shown under the off peak service proposals.

Proposed services from Tonbridge – am*

Tonbridge	Redhill	
0500	0531	
0614	0646	To London Bridge
0647	0718	
0725	0757	To London Bridge
0759	0830	To London Bridge
0816	0847	To Victoria
0836	0907	To Victoria
0908	0939	
Then standard hour		

Proposed services to Tonbridge – pm*

	Redhill	Tonbridge
	Standard hour until ^o	
	1607	1636
From London Bridge	1640	1710
	1703	1733
From London Bridge	1739	1809
	1812	1842
	1832	1902
From London Bridge	1909	1939
	1950	2020

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