

Highways England Renews Jacobs Contract for Historical Railways Estate

Jacobs Engineering Group Inc has announced that it has been reappointed as the sole supplier of professional services to Highways England Historical Railways Estate (HRE) for a term of up to five years. Highways England is responsible for managing a portfolio of 3,400 structures including legacy bridges, viaducts, tunnels and similar listed properties associated with closed railway lines throughout the United Kingdom. Under the terms of the contract, Jacobs is providing technical professional services from feasibility studies through to detail design, with contract and site management services including structural assessment, environmental and estates management.

For more than 10 years Jacobs has assessed, designed and managed the delivery of over 1,000 structures, and worked 240,000-plus hours with zero incidents or injuries across the HRE portfolio. While helping to safeguard these important heritage assets, Jacobs has generated more than \$7.5 million (£5 million) in efficiency savings through 54 ideas during this period.

In making the announcement, Jacobs Buildings & Infrastructure Senior Vice President Bob Duff stated, "We are delighted to continue our longstanding relationship with the Historical Railways Estate. We are drawing upon our extensive capability and retained knowledge from disciplines across the country. Having worked with Highways England for more than 25 years, Jacobs understands its vision and the key drivers for continuous improvement across this vast portfolio."

Jacobs delivers major transportation projects globally, and in the U.K. supports Highways England on the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement project and the M1 Junction 19 Improvement Scheme, as well as providing design services for three smart motorway projects.

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