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# Suicide Awareness Alert

This alert has been issued because of specific intelligence relating to suicide activity on the rail network which it is believed may prompt individuals to take their own lives.

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Issued by: Ian Stevens	

Applicable to:	All Network Rail routes and TOCs
(state route(s)/TOCs/other)	

# Nature of alert:

# **Blue Monday**

**Blue Monday** is a name given to a day in January (typically the third Monday of the month) reported to be the most depressing day of the year. In 2016 this falls on 18 January.

There is a potential that individuals contemplating suicide may choose this day to take their own lives and that some may choose the railway as a means to do that.

#### Recommended action:

Network Rail and TOC staff especially those that interface with the public should be especially vigilant in respect of those showing signs of distress or upset on the network.

At high risk unmanned locations, where possible it is recommended that Network Rail, TOC and private security mobile teams together with BTP officers have a presence throughout as much of the day as possible.

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