

## 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.

<b>Date Issued:</b> 17 October 2016	<b>Date(s) applicable:</b> 10 November 2016
<b>Issued by:</b> Ariane Ally	

<b>Applicable to:</b> <i>(state route(s)/TOCs/other)</i>	LNW and Merseyrail
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<p><b>Nature of alert:</b></p> <p><u>A 15 year old girl took her life near Port Sunlight on 10 November 2014</u></p> <p>Anniversary dates of 'sensational' events like this have the potential to attract:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>vulnerable people to the same location to take their lives;</li><li>well-wishers to the site to lay tokens of remembrance.</li></ul> <p>The event was widely reported both locally and nationally in the press and because of the girls age prompts concern even two years after the event that her friends of the time may be particularly emotionally moved on the anniversary of her death.</p>	<p><b>Recommended action:</b></p> <p>Consideration should be given to stakeholder organisations visiting Port Sunlight on the anniversary of the girl's death to look-out for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>anyone (particularly young people) showing signs of distress or upset around mid-morning. The event took place around 10:30;</li><li>groups/individuals congregating around the station to pay their respects and the potential impact they could have on the safe operation of the railway;</li><li>any tokens of remembrance which in line with industry guidance should be removed promptly.</li></ul>
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Individuals requiring emotional support can call Samaritans any time, free from any phone on **116 123**

Should you wish to comment on the content of this alert please contact Ariane Ally.

### BTP Suicide Prevention

**Hotline** - If rail staff have an immediate concern that a person might harm themselves on the railway they can call the BTP on **0300 123 9101**



The rail industry's award winning suicide prevention Learning Tool can be found at: [www.nspsglearningtool.co.uk](http://www.nspsglearningtool.co.uk). Watching the 30 minute briefing module might just save someone's life.

The compiler of this alert should forward it to the NRNOC Duty Manager at:  
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