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Cable Patrols

Throughout November the East Coast Mainline (ECML) Neighbourhood Policing team (NPT) have been conducting Railway Cable Patrols across the Blyth & Tyne area.

The aim was to conduct high visibility patrols day and night in key hotspot areas that are often targeted by criminals attempting to steal railway cable which results in disruption and disappointment for the traveling public.

In 2010/11, Network Rail incurred costs of £16.5 million in repairing damage from cable theft and in compensating operators for the delays -which was over 6,000 hours during the year- all from thefts. Each year the price of dealing with the thefts has increased. It was £14.0 million in 2009/10 and £12.3 million in 2008/09.

Network Rail and BTP have been and are still continuing to work closely throughout the country to crack down on this serious crime with offenders being handed sterner punishments from the courts.

We would like anyone with any information about cable theft to contact us on: 0800 40 50 40

Remembrance Day

On the 11th November members of the ECML NPT were present at the Railway Cenotaph to pay their respects.

Before the ceremony began a new plaque was unveiled that has all the names of those on the weathered cenotaph so that they shall never be lost.

Rev. Sorby conducted the service with traffic being stopped throughout the silence.



0800 40 50 40 or visit www.btp.police.uk

