

The Future of the Railways in the North



**An illustrated talk at Halifax Town Hall
by STEPHEN WARING
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These are exciting times for Britain's railways, with plans for the most significant extensions to the network for more than a century.

The Government has given the go-ahead to the first stage of High Speed 2, from London to Birmingham, and construction is planned to start in 2017. Now planners are working on phase two, in the form of a Y-shaped network from Birmingham, serving Manchester, Sheffield and Leeds.

The so-called Northern Rail Hub offers a series of schemes to upgrade the north's railways, with as many as 700 more trains a day by 2019, and including faster journeys between Bradford, Halifax and Manchester. There is even a real hope that Elland will get its long-awaited station before 2020.

Stephen Waring is the founder and Chair of Halifax and District Rail Action Group.

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