

PRESS RELEASE



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GB Railfreight begins Bluebell trials

GB Railfreight (GBRf), the UK's most reliable freight haulier, started trials on Monday 5 July, 2010, for the removal of landfill for the Bluebell Railway.

The trials form part of a project, being undertaken by GBRf and the Bluebell Railway, to reopen an old railway cutting, Imberhorne Cutting, which was closed in the 1960s and transformed into a household landfill site. GBRf and the Bluebell Railway are working together to remove the waste from the site to once again allow trains through.

GBRf is scheduled to run five trains over the initial trial week, and it is estimated that each will carry the equivalent of 100 lorry loads of waste.

John Smith, MD, GBRf, said: *"A benefit of using rail for the removal of the waste is that it requires less infrastructure for a site such as the one at Imberhorne, and therefore, for this particular project, it frees up funds which can be put towards finishing the station at East Grinstead."*

Once the trial is completed, Bluebell will analyse the train loading and train movement methods. It is likely that a campaign will then start in Autumn 2010 for the removal of some 100,000 tonnes of waste from the old site, utilising approximately 100-110 trains.

Bluebell Railway will open the new station at East Grinstead on Saturday 4 September, 2010.

About GB Railfreight

GB Railfreight (GBRf) is one of the UK's leading specialist rail freight companies, operating a wide ranging portfolio of intermodal and bulk traffic services in commodities such as coal, petrochemicals, and construction materials. Its innovative approach and focus on flexibility, reliability and customer service has led to a raft of rail industry awards and a number of recent significant contract wins.

GBRf is part of Europorte, the rail freight arm of GET (Groupe Eurotunnel SA).

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