<u>Press release: Second interim report:</u> <u>Fatal tram accident, Croydon</u>

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Second interim report following a fatal accident involving a tram near Sandilands Junction, Croydon, 9 November 2016.

RAIB has today released its second interim report into a fatal accident involving a tram near Sandilands Junction, Croydon on 9 November 2016.

This report contains material which appeared in our <u>first interim report</u>, published on 16 November 2016, as well as some new information which we are now able to release.

New information in paragraph 9 updates the number of people we believe were on the tram. Paragraph 28 sets out the investigation activities that have taken place so far. Paragraphs 30 to 34 describe the infrastructure in the area, including the speed restriction sign on the approach to the tight curve where the derailment occurred. Paragraphs 36 and 37 describe how the tram was driven immediately before the accident. Paragraphs 38 and 39 describe the initial findings of the RAIB's examination of the tram, including the damage to the vehicle and the locations of the fatal casualties.

The response by the industry to the RAIB's urgent safety advice (issued on 14 November 2016) is described in paragraphs 42 and 43.

The ongoing and future areas for the RAIB's investigation are listed in paragraphs 40, 45 and 46.

We will publish a final report, including any safety recommendations, at the conclusion of our investigation.

Our investigation is independent of any investigation by the tramway industry, the <u>British Transport Police</u> or by the <u>Office of Rail and Road</u>.

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