

## £3.3 million Skegness station transformation gets underway

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Work is beginning on phase 1 of the transformational redevelopment at Skegness Railway Station to completely reconfigure the layout of the station and improve passenger flow.

£3.3 million is being invested at Skegness railway station, funded by the Government Town Deal Fund through Connected Coast Town Deal, Network Rail and East Midlands Railway (EMR).

The works will be carried out by the principal contractor Taziker Ltd and managed by EMR. Throughout the duration of the works, the station will be open as normal to any customers wishing to travel to / from Skegness railway station.

Phase 1 works will bring the unused building at the front of the station back into use after many years. The building will be transformed into new customer areas and new retail units. Further phases of works will continue throughout 2024.

Dave Meredith, Customer Services Director for EMR said: "We're delighted the investment at Skegness



Railway Station is about to begin. We're excited to work alongside Connected Coast Board, East Lindsey District Council and Network Rail to significantly improve the facilities for our customers.

"This first phase of the development will see work begin at the front of the station, where there will be a new customer waiting area and the red star building will be bought back to life after many years.

"These changes will transform Skegness station as the gateway to the town, by encouraging integration with the surrounding community and offering an improved customer experience to all station visitors."

Chris Baron, Chair of Connected Coast said: "It is great to see work now getting underway at Skegness Railway Station, which will create a first impression that will offer a welcome befitting of one of Britain's leading seaside resorts with facilities that will benefit the local community as well.

"The investment and links with the bus station will support better connectivity with Skegness and the coastline and will help to promote the area as a destination.

"The phase one works that are now starting are the first step towards achieving our ambitions for the railway station which will ultimately see more footfall and use in the years to come."

Rob Goulding, Station and Depot Surveyor for Network Rail added: "We know how important stations are for the communities they serve and as the first impression that visitors receive. It's fantastic to see work starting on Skegness station and we look forward to seeing the new facilities being used by passengers."

If you would like more information about the project, visit www.eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk/town-deal