

Edwardian era station improved for 21st century Chiltern passengers

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Major improvements at Gerrards Cross are now complete to improve the station for Chiltern main line passengers.

A £2.4m Railway Upgrade Plan investment by Network Rail has seen:

- Platform canopy roofs and glazing replaced with more durable materials to protect waiting passengers from the elements
- New lighting installed to brighten up the station making it safe and secure at night
- The 1906-built station's main roof entirely replaced
- Additional glazing repairs around the station
- Repainting of traditional steelwork

All of the work was done to make the Edwardian era station* better for passengers and secure its future for years to come.

Lawrence James, scheme project manager for Network Rail, said: "We take great care to look after our

heritage buildings and the work at Gerrards Cross shows how we're building back better as the country emerges from the coronavirus pandemic.

"This Railway Upgrade Plan investment of £2.4m we hope will make a huge difference for people who use Gerrards Cross station, creating a cleaner and brighter environment and improving their journeys for years to come."

Eleni Jordan, Chiltern Railways commercial and customer strategy director, said: "Chiltern Railways are committed to improving our stations and continuously strive to provide our customers with a first-class customer experience.

"Working in collaboration with Network Rail, the work at Gerrards Cross will make a big difference to our customers by creating a brighter and better station while ensuring we maintain the station's heritage. We hope that our customers will be pleased with the refurbishment work that has taken place."

The improvement work started in March and finished in June 2021.

Both platforms have brand new roof canopies made of super-strong, durable materials to replace old-worn out materials.

*The station was built as part of the Great Western and Great Central Joint Railway and was opened on 2 April 1906 as Gerrards Cross for the Chalfonts.

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