

GB Railfreight Announce New Infrastructure Manager

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GB Railfreight is delighted to announce the appointment of Alex Kirk as General Infrastructure Manager. Alex began his new role this week.

This appointment marks a very exciting time for GBRf. Over the last few years the business has enjoyed a long period of growth and now has turnover in excess of £200 million a year and operate over 1,000 trainloads a week, moving approximately 23% of the UK's rail cargo. The infrastructure team is set to play a leading role in supporting the recovery of the railway post COVID-19.

Alex joins GBRf from Network Rail where he began his career as a graduate in the Commercial Freight team. In the six and a half years there, Alex worked as Freight Manager in Wales and then sponsored freight enhancement projects in the South.

In this role, Alex led the Felixstowe branch line project, helping to reshape the project to a successful conclusion. He finally became Route Logistics Manager in SCO for Wessex, a position where he found himself being the customer for the team he will now go to manage.

Alex brings with him knowledge of Network Rail as well as of the drivers for CP6 and the pressures they face. He has developed strong relationships across Network Rail and Transport for London, which will be key in his new role.

Liam Day, GB Railfreight's Commercial Director, said: "The railway has an important role to play in helping the UK to recover from the COVID-19 crisis and our infrastructure team will be playing a significant role in supporting the sector. I am extremely pleased that Alex has joined us as the team's General Infrastructure Manager. Alex brings great knowledge of the things that are most important to our customers and a real desire to make a difference. He is a fantastic addition to the team."

Alex Kirk said: "I am absolutely delighted to be appointed General Infrastructure Manager. Having worked with GBRf as a customer I can't wait to get stuck in and see it from the other side. This is an unusual time to start a new job, but I am looking forward to working with the team to help our customers in delivering recovery and future growth for the railway in the UK. I am thrilled to be part of the GBRf family."

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