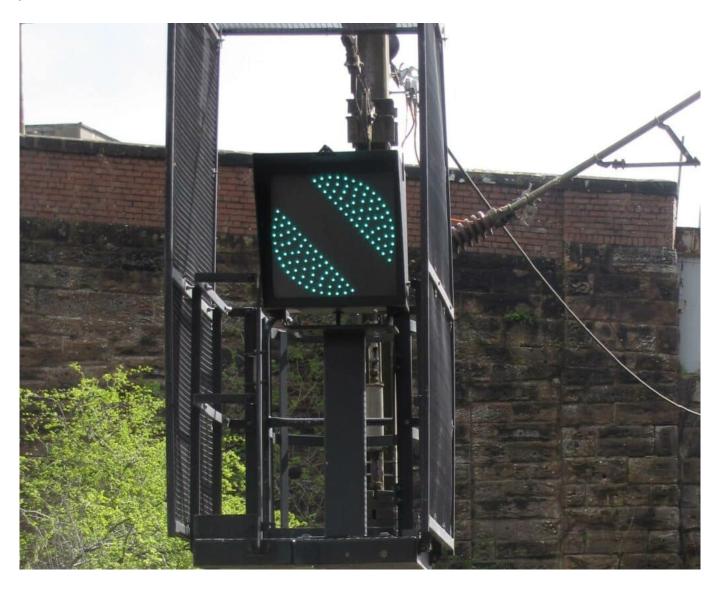


Network Rail announces £215m contract awards to deliver signalling nationwide

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Network Rail has announced the award of 17 multi-million-pound framework contracts to deliver minor signalling works across the country, worth an estimated £215m for Control Period 6 (2019-2024).

The minor signalling frameworks, which are split into 17 route-based lots, with two framework contractors for seven of the routes and three framework contractors for the Western route, have been awarded as follows:

Contractors	Network Rail route
Amaro Signalling	South East
AMCO	Scotland, South East and Wales
Amey	Wales, Wessex and Western



Balfour Beatty	London North Eastern & East Midlands, Wessex and Western
Linbrooke	Anglia, Western and London North West
OSL	Scotland
Volker Rail	Anglia, London North Eastern & East Midlands, London North West

The frameworks will deliver minor signalling and refurbishment works, supporting Network Rail's Works Delivery teams.

Martin Robinson, commercial director signalling said: "The minor signalling framework awards are the second awards in a three-tier approach to signalling delivery for CP6 which aims to recognise the differing signalling work banks we have to deliver. The awards have gone to signalling suppliers that between them, have many years of experience supporting our maintenance and delivery teams and will help Network Rail to continue to improve the signalling asset condition and in turn improve reliability for passengers over the coming years.

"The framework's approach using fewer contractors will help bring them closer to Network Rail and the routes and make further progress in working more collaboratively. We will continue to build on the successful relationships we already have with our suppliers and look forward to working with them all going forward."

The remaining tier, major signalling, targeted towards major re-signalling and re-control, will complete the three-tier strategy for CP6 signalling delivery when awarded in January 2020. The first tier for our signalling and telecoms framework was awarded in April 2019.

Kevin Robertshaw, programme director signalling, said: "Our strategy for delivering signalling works in CP6 focuses on bringing the supplier closer to the client and facilitating a more integrated way of working. This is the second of three framework tiers to be awarded and part of a strategy enabling Network Rail and the signalling supply chain to be more innovative, collaborative and effective. I look forward to working with the successful suppliers and making a success of the opportunity ahead of us."