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WORCESTER— CLOSURE OF NORTON JUNCTION SIGNAL BOX

SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY TO MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 1990

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WORCESTER (NORTON JUNCTION)

Between 0500 hours Saturday 10 February and 0500 hours Monday 12 February (or until completion), S&T staff will be carrying out the work detailed in this Notice.

1. At Norton Junction

The signal box will be closed and all signalling equipment will be recovered.

All points will be secured out of use pending removal and the single line between Evesham and Norton Junction will be extended to Worcester Shrub Hill.

The up branch to Abbotswood Junction will be taken out of use pending removal. The existing down branch will become a single line which will extend to Worcester Shrub Hill.

2. Between Norton Junction and Worcester Shrub Hill

The present double line will become two separate single lines.

3. At Abbotswood Junction

The up branch to down branch points will be secured out of use pending removal.

4. At Worcester Shrub Hill

The bay sidings, bay platform and short dock siding will be taken out of use. Points leading to them will be secured out of use pending removal.

5. New Signalling

New signalling will be commissioned as shown in heavy print on the diagram. With the exception of signals G.126 and 126R which will be controlled from Gloucester, and a new semaphore distant signal at the Birmingham end of Worcester Shrub Hill up platform line which will be applicable to both routes, all new signals will be controlled from Worcester Shrub Hill signal box.

A new route indictor will be provided at the Up Sidings Home Signal (No. 59/60), showing M for main line and B for branch.

Note: The only route available in the up direction from the down platform line (signal No. 10) will be to new signal 130.

6. AWS

AWS will be provided at all new signals and at the warning indicators shown, suppressed for movements in the opposite direction.

7. Method of Working

The single line between Worcester Shrub Hill and Evesham will be worked by the electric token system.

The single line between Worcester Shrub Hill and Abbotswood Junction will be worked by the track circuit block system (between Worcester Shrub Hill and Gloucester signal boxes).

8. Power Operated Points

Points 51A/B and 53A/B at Worcester Shrub Hill will be converted to clamp lock operation.

9. Telephones

All new stop signals will be equipped with signal post telephones.

