Maidenhead Sidings
Maidenhead Stabling Lines, Berkshire, UK

In Brief:

Maidenhead sidings are a key part of Network Rail’s electrification of the Great Western Main Line in preparation for Crossrail.

The £4.5 million sidings were opened in July 2017, 18 months ahead of schedule and feature a number of Dura Composites GRP Modular Access Platforms and GRP Walkways. The precision engineered Glass Reinforced Plastic solutions were installed by Balfour Beatty Rail and are the perfect fit for the OHLE (Overhead Line Equipment) environment thanks to their non-conductive properties. Dura Composites GRP profiles can be designed to comply with bespoke site specifications and offer significant improvements over traditional alternatives, including increased buildability and a dramatic reduction in possession times.

For more information about Dura’s Modular Access Platforms, Trench Covers & other ground-breaking rail solutions visit our website at: www.duracomposites.com/rail
Dura Slab Walkway Lids

Dura Slab fibreglass (GRP) structural covers are lightweight, high strength, anti-slip and can be easily removed for maintenance access. They are simple to install onto pre-cast concrete troughs and provide a safe and secure walkway solution for driver or maintenance personnel in the rail industry. Dura Slab covers can easily be lifted by one or two-man teams using standard lifting keys and are a durable and lightweight alternative to concrete or metal covers, particularly in electrified rail environments.

Modular Access Platforms

Dura Composites offers a range of high strength and non-conductive Access Platforms for trackside and maintenance zones and for other vulnerable working areas in the rail industry. The almost infinite variety of profiles allows a high degree of design freedom, and tailored properties such as strength, stiffness and weight can be engineered by product design at the early stages of development. For advice and help with your planned design please contact the Dura Composites Rail Team on +44 1255 440291.

Balfour Beatty

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Network Rail Compliant
Anti-Slip Surface
Low Maintenance
Fast Install Times

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