



West of Scotland
Branch

Rail Group Report

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RAIB reports:

December saw some significant collision events on the UK infrastructure and the RAIB in January have released the report into a derailment and fire in Wales, a significant event where some 446k litres of fuel had been spilt, some of which resulted in fire, a significant safety and environmental event.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/report-012022-derailment-and-fire-involving-a-tanker-train-at-llangennech-carmarthenshire>

Similar to the event in Scotland in 2009 on the Lugton project, significant environmental impact and led to joint work between IOSH and IEMA on the impact.

NR Safety Task Force:

The STF work continues into 2022 with the final removal of unassisted lookout working and the ongoing introduction of software to support improved line blockages and on track equipment.

IOSH Railway group:

Railway group are progressing in 2022 better engagement with the rail community and IOSH members, the introduction of co-opted members to the group from specialist areas within the rail industry will widen the scope of the group.

This, along with increased engagement with IOSH railway affiliated members, part of the work that is currently ongoing.