Thursday 10th August 2017 Update on Padgate Station

ARTWORK

The artwork for the station windows is progressing nicely now & we anticipate completion in approx. 3 weeks

On completion & installation we are planning to have an "unveiling". All LRA will be invited, from Northern Rail there will be Vicky Cropper (Northern Rail Community & Sustainability Manager) along with Martin Yallop from Acorp. They will bring with them their press relations people to cover the day

We will be looking to host a small celebration event in PVA with a finger buffet and obviously drinks will be available from the bar.

MOSAIC

The mosaic for the side of the station has had the children's design approved and will be similar to the graphic below:-



As the school is on summer holidays there will be no movement on it until next term starts again

STATION BUILDING

Refurbishment of the station is in hand although as Northern Rail is on a "Summer Break" we will have no news until September.

TREES

The trees surrounding the car park car-park, we are still waiting for Carilleon to start work, in the past Carilleon worked on all the Northern Rail stations as a matter of course, things have changed & now Northern Rail contract out work to them on an individual order basis. Vicky is chasing up the order to have the work carried out.

OLD EASTBOUND WAITING ROOM

The demolition of the old derelict waiting room & the replacement with a new shelter is in the 2018 budget for Northern Rail

PLATFORMS

The platform edges are to be painted either White or Yellow to show a distinct edge to the platforms to enhance safety; this has been scheduled to take place as soon as possible.

<u>PLANTERS</u>

The large planters are now resplendent & in full bloom, it would appear that even when idiots pull the plants out, other members of the travelling public replace them back in the planters!!

TIMETABLE

We along with a senior member of Northern rail asked for the possibility of an enhanced service at the station for two trains per hour rather than the one per hour each way we have at the moment could be implemented going forward, Northern Rail promised to look into it, however we didn't realise that it would mean altering the timetables from Liverpool at every station to Scarborough, Norwich & Manchester Airport would also need to be altered, a mammoth task, so we will just have to see if it is feasible going forward

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