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Re-Opening Viaducts

- RPL/Sustrans hold ex-railway land & approx. 1200 structures
- 80s & 90s Sustrans acquired land & approx. 400 structures
- 1998 RPL created to hold land & approx. 800 structures
- Sustrans – approx. 500 staff
- RPL – 6 staff (3 surveyors, 2 admin, 1 engineer)
- RPL advises Sustrans on bridge matters

Viaducts

- Total number of viaducts = 67 ex railway viaducts
- Responsibility ranges from freehold – licence
- 53 brick / masonry arch viaducts
- 2 concrete arch viaducts
- 12 metallic beam viaducts
- Vary from 5 to 33 spans





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Viaducts stats

- Total = 67 viaducts
- Listed = 27 no.
- Re-opened to public = 52 no.
- No cycle path (yet) = 15 no.
- Path built, liability transferred since 2009 = 6 no.

Arch viaducts

- Simple approach – drain deck, scour
- They all carried trains (x2) now they don't
- Scrape deck, graded stone, bitmac surface
- Surface drainage to soakaway
- Poss scour protection, vegetation, repair, re-pointing





Beam Viaducts

- More difficult to assess strength losses
- All have had large strength reserves (for intended re-use)
- Bespoke design
- Generally add concrete or timber deck, re-furb original drainage system and patch paint
- Rarely have funds for full re-paint nor add strength





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Case Study – Torksey Viaduct



- John Fowler; opened 1949
- Spans River Trent (4 + 18 spans); length = 280m
- Very early example of box girders; Grade II* listed
- River spans – main girders strong, transverse beams corroded, no deck
- Trestle over flood plain – poor drainage, deck “gaps”







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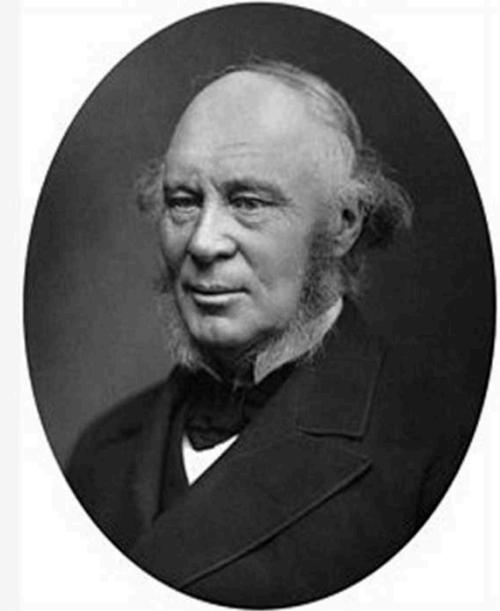


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Sir John Fowler, Bt



Born 15 July 1817
Wadsley, Sheffield, South
Yorkshire, England

Died 20 November 1898 (aged 81)
Bournemouth, Dorset,
England

Engineering career

Discipline Civil engineer

Institutions Institution of Civil Engineers
(president)
Institution of Mechanical
Engineers

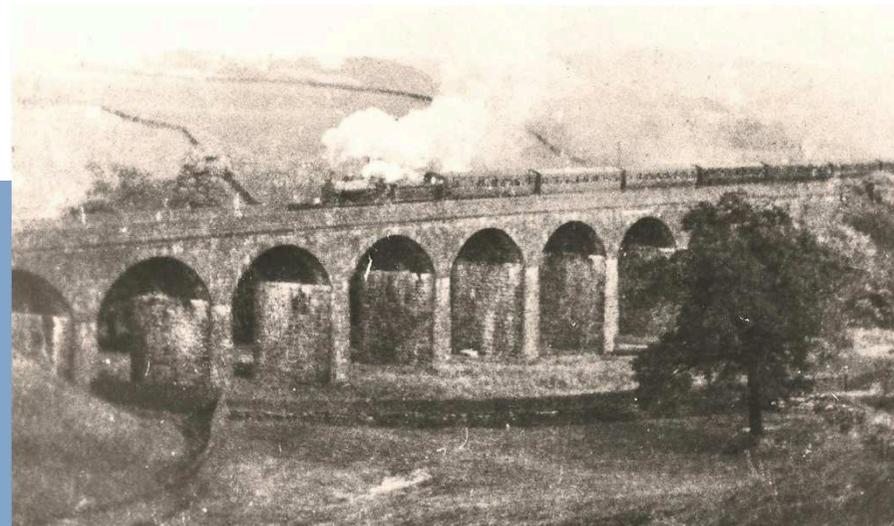
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Millwall Dock
Forth Railway Bridge (A)
Manchester Central (II*)
Wicker Arches (II*)
Torksey Viaduct (II*)

Torksey Viaduct summary

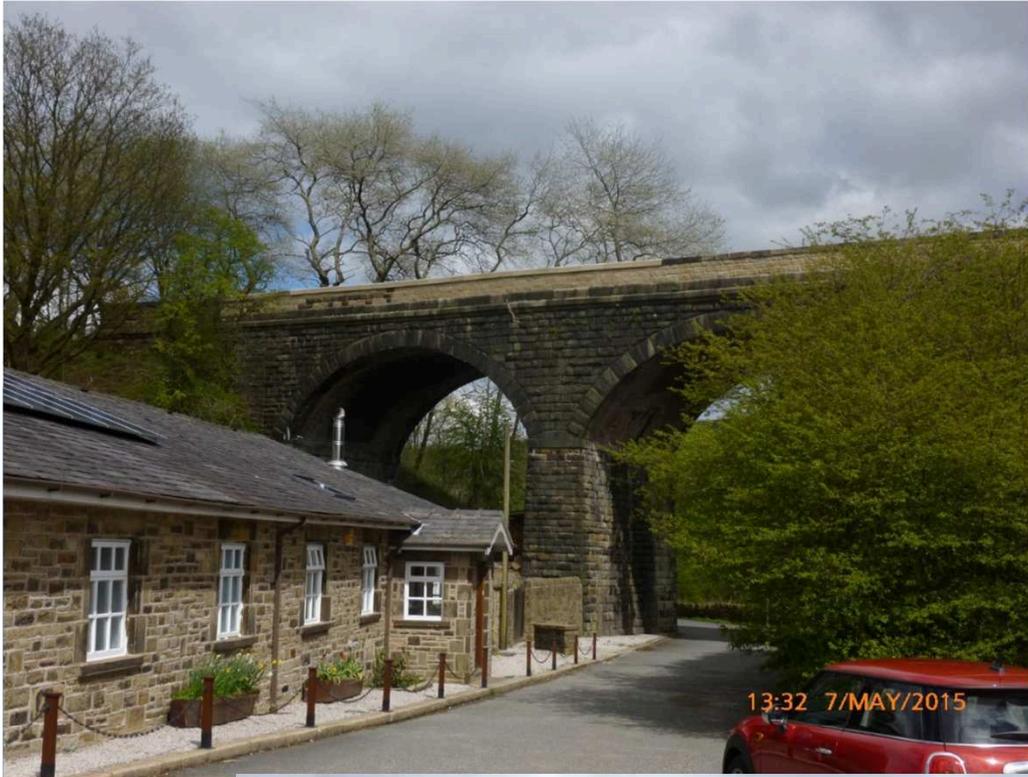
- Re-furb? Painted < 10%; timber / concrete deck
- Ramps, steps, highway modification, fencing, vegetation
- Consents & work took 3 years; ecology delays
- Re-open April 2016 & very popular, saves 12 miles by road
- Total cost = £380,000 (£320,000 on bridge)
- Funder – Railway Heritage Trust

Case Study – Lumb Viaduct

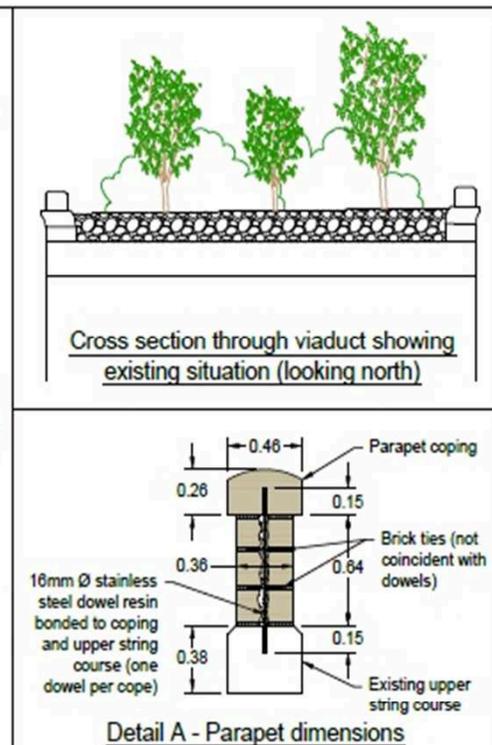
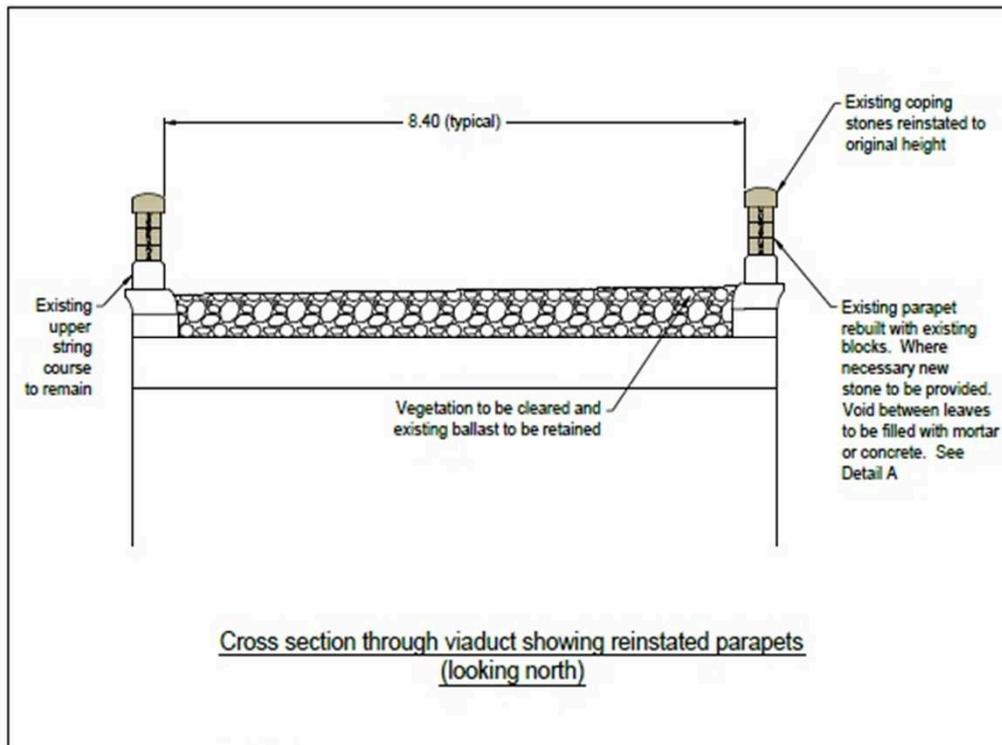
- Grade II listed
- Conventional masonry arch
- Spans River Irwell; 9 spans; length = 148m
- Masonry parapets removed, heavily vegetated cracks to piers and spalling to arch barrel
- 1930s concrete scour protection failing



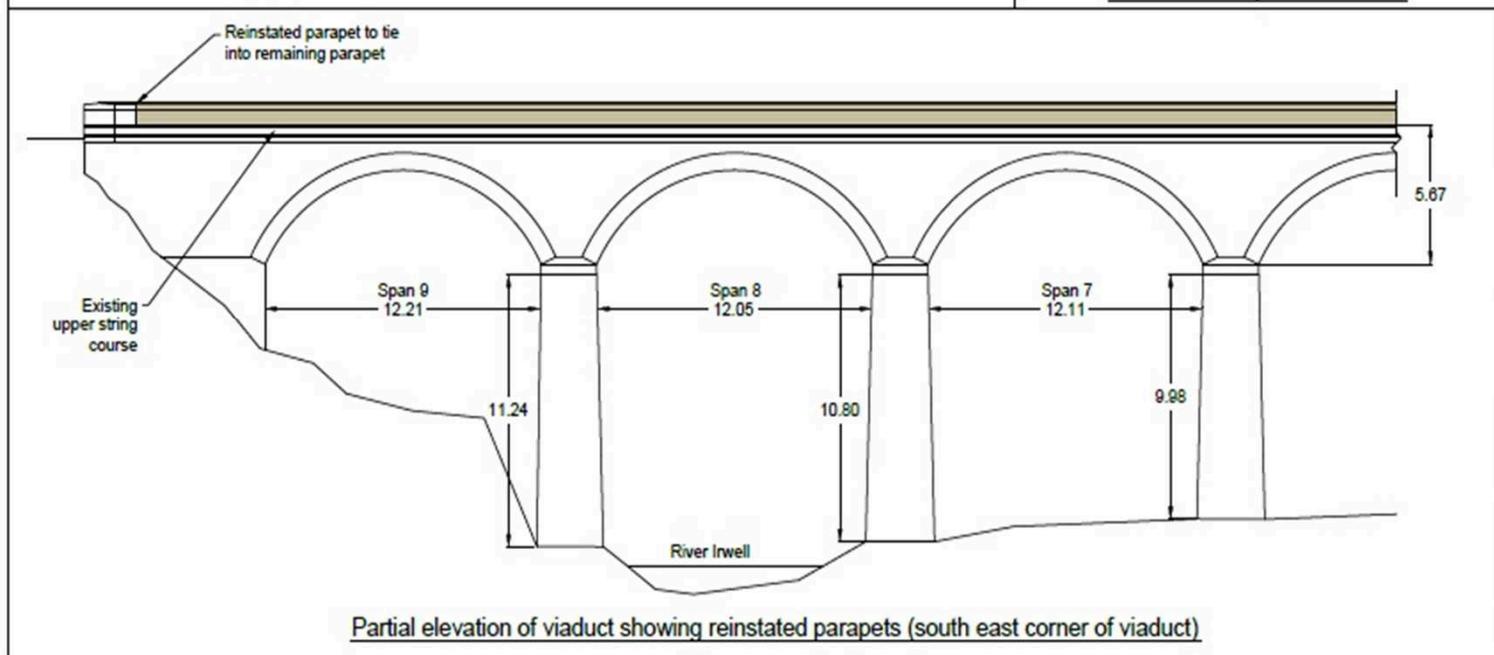





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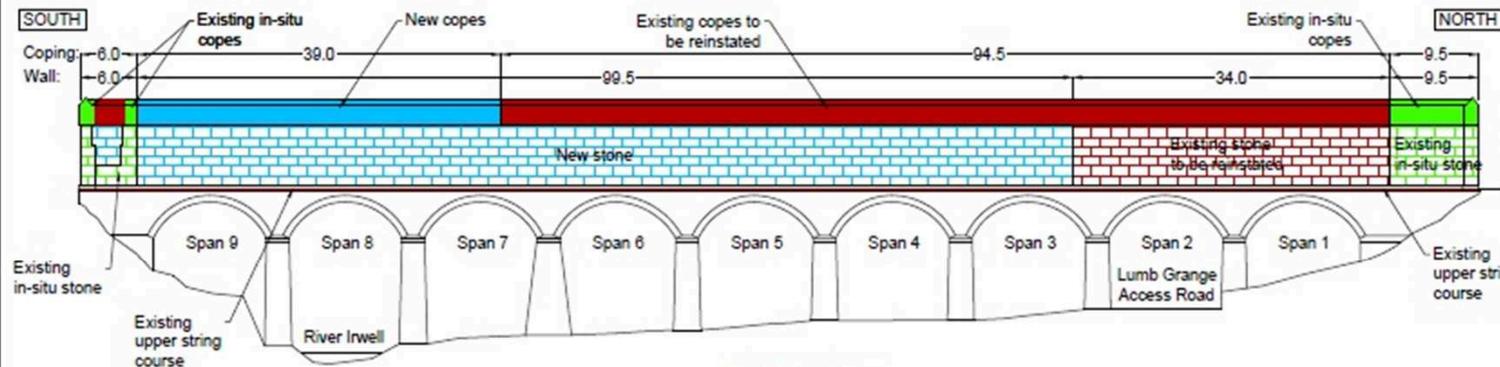


- Notes:**
1. All dimensions in metres.
 2. The proposals shown on this drawing are for the purposes of initial consultation.
 3. Existing viaduct span and arch height dimensions are shown illustratively.
 4. Existing mortar samples will be analysed and closest modern match found for new mortar.



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Rev	Description	Drawn	Date
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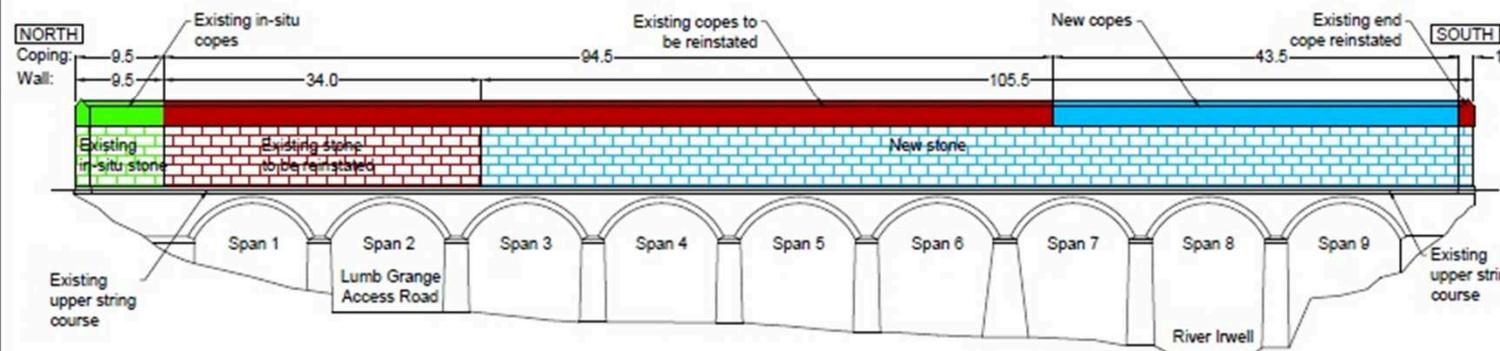




East Elevation

Exact lengths of reinstated existing stone and copes will be dependant on actual quantities of existing stone

Vertical scale of parapet walls has been exaggerated by a factor of 10 for illustrative purposes

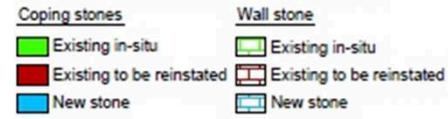


West Elevation

West Elevation			East Elevation		
Distance from North end (m)	Cope	Wall	Distance from North end (m)	Wall	Cope
0.0	In-situ stone	In-situ stone	0.0	In-situ stone	In-situ stone
9.5	In-situ stone	In-situ stone	9.5	In-situ stone	In-situ stone
43.5	Existing	Existing	43.5	Existing	Existing
104.0	Existing	New stone	104.0	Existing	New stone
147.5	New stone	New stone	143.0	New stone	New stone
149.0	Existing	New stone	149.0	Existing	Existing

Table showing lengths of type of Parapet Wall Reinstatement

Key to Parapet Wall Reinstatement



- Notes:
1. All dimensions in metres.
 2. Dimensions shown are approximate.
 3. The amount of existing stone that is to be reinstated will be maximised to minimise the quantity of new stone that is required.
 4. This drawing should be read in conjunction with RPL Report 'NW17 B58 Lumb Viaduct Reinstatement of Parapet Walls Discharge of Planning & Listed Building Conditions'.

2	For Planning Condition Discharge	WH	01/07/2014
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Lumb Viaduct summary

- Re-build both parapets using stone from original quarry
- Sealed tarmac deck and surface drainage channel
- Consents, access & work took 2 years
- Re-open September 2015
- Total cost = £230,000
- Funders – Railway Heritage Trust (£200k); RPL (£30k)

Current Projects



- Martholme Viaduct
- Funding: Railway Heritage Trust £50k
- Minor masonry repair to parapets, 3m tarmac strip and fencing

Current Projects

- River Calder, Castleford
- Total value: £180,000
- Funding: RHT & Wakefield Council
- Tarmac / concrete deck with surface drainage, string course repair, re-pointing, upgrade existing parapet railings



Bennerley Viaduct

- Looking for £2M - £3M
- Secured:
 - HLF - £40k – Community work
 - RHT - £50k – Repairs to piers and pier bases
 - RPL - £50k – Heritage study
- Currently preparing a large bid to Heritage Lottery Fund
- Most ambitious project for many years

