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## ***TIMETABLING SUB COMMITTEE***

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### ***Decision No 1***

The Committee noted the referral from Regional Railways South Wales and West and considered that it was reasonable and within the locus of the Committee.


The Committee noted with approval that the parties had reached a settlement on two of the three disputed issues before the hearing.

On the issue of the start times for possession on Saturday evenings and the impact on a South Wales and West service, the Committee found in favour of Railtrack giving as contributory grounds for its decision:-

- i that on balance Railtrack had demonstrated that there was a programme of works that supported the proposed possession times, as compared with the detriment if the train does not run.
- ii that the proposals for 1995/6 were not significantly different from those for 1994/5.

In making its decision the Committee made two specific recommendations:-

- 1 that all affected parties should be involved in active consultation with a view to assessing whether the 1996/7 Rules of the Route might make the route more generally available for trains.
- 2 If it becomes apparent that the Saturday evening work programme is not to be carried out then Railtrack should be required to give earliest possible notice to permit the TOU to reinstate the Saturday trains in the public timetable.

  
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**1st December 1994**