EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT: ARRIVA RAIL LONDON APPOINTS KATE MARJORIBANKS AS NEW ENGINEERING DIRECTOR

Arriva Rail London (ARL), which operates the London Overground on behalf of Transport for London (TfL), is pleased to announce the appointment of Kate Marjoribanks as the company’s new engineering director. With nearly 25 years in the railway industry, Kate brings a wealth of expertise in rolling stock engineering.

Kate started her career working as a trainee on 5,000-ton warships at Yarrow Shipbuilders Ltd, before graduating from Edinburgh University with a Mechanical Engineering degree. She switched to rail and joined British Rail, working in depots across the UK and climbing the ladder into senior engineering roles including head of engineering at South Western Railway and engineering director at Abellio Greater Anglia. In a previous role as engineering director at Chiltern, Kate launched new passenger services and increased the fleet size by 25%.

At Arriva Rail London, Kate will be focused on optimising the existing fleet, leading a team of engineers, overseeing the traincare team and working with maintenance partners, Bombardier and Greater Anglia. She will also be supporting with business readiness for the introduction of the Class 710 fleet to the London Overground network.

Managing director, Will Rogers, said: “We are pleased that Kate has joined us at such a pivotal time for Arriva Rail London, her industry experience will help us to drive forward improvements to our existing award-winning fleet which connects so many communities across London.”

Kate, who started the role in November, said: “It is an exciting time to be joining the fleet team at Arriva Rail London, who have demonstrated a passionate and relentless focus on delivering a world class railway for our customers since my arrival. My priority
will be optimising the London Overground fleet and working closely with Transport for London, our engineers, traincare teams and maintenance partners to do so."

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For further information, an image or an interview with Kate Marjoribanks, please contact Sara Barrow, head of communications, on 0203 031 9254 or communications@arrivarl.co.uk

Notes to editor:

- Arriva Rail London is the train operating company responsible for running the London Overground network under a Concession Agreement with Transport for London (TfL). The seven and a half year concession commenced on 13 November 2016.

- Working in partnership with TfL, Arriva Rail London will deliver further improvements for London Overground customers through more frequent services, new trains and improved interchanges as well as developing stations and lines to meet increasing passenger demand and to support new homes and jobs.

- Arriva Rail London is part of the Arriva group, one of the leading providers of passenger transport in Europe. Arriva employs more than 60,000 people and delivers over 2 billion passenger journeys across 14 European countries each year.

- For further information on Arriva Rail London visit www.arrivarailondon.co.uk