

London Bridge – a vision for the future

We're going to transform London Bridge station, with more room for passengers and a huge increase in services on the Thameslink route through London Bridge.

The improvements will be funded by the Thameslink Programme – a £6bn Government investment in rail. This is part of our wider vision of a better rail network for London and Britain.

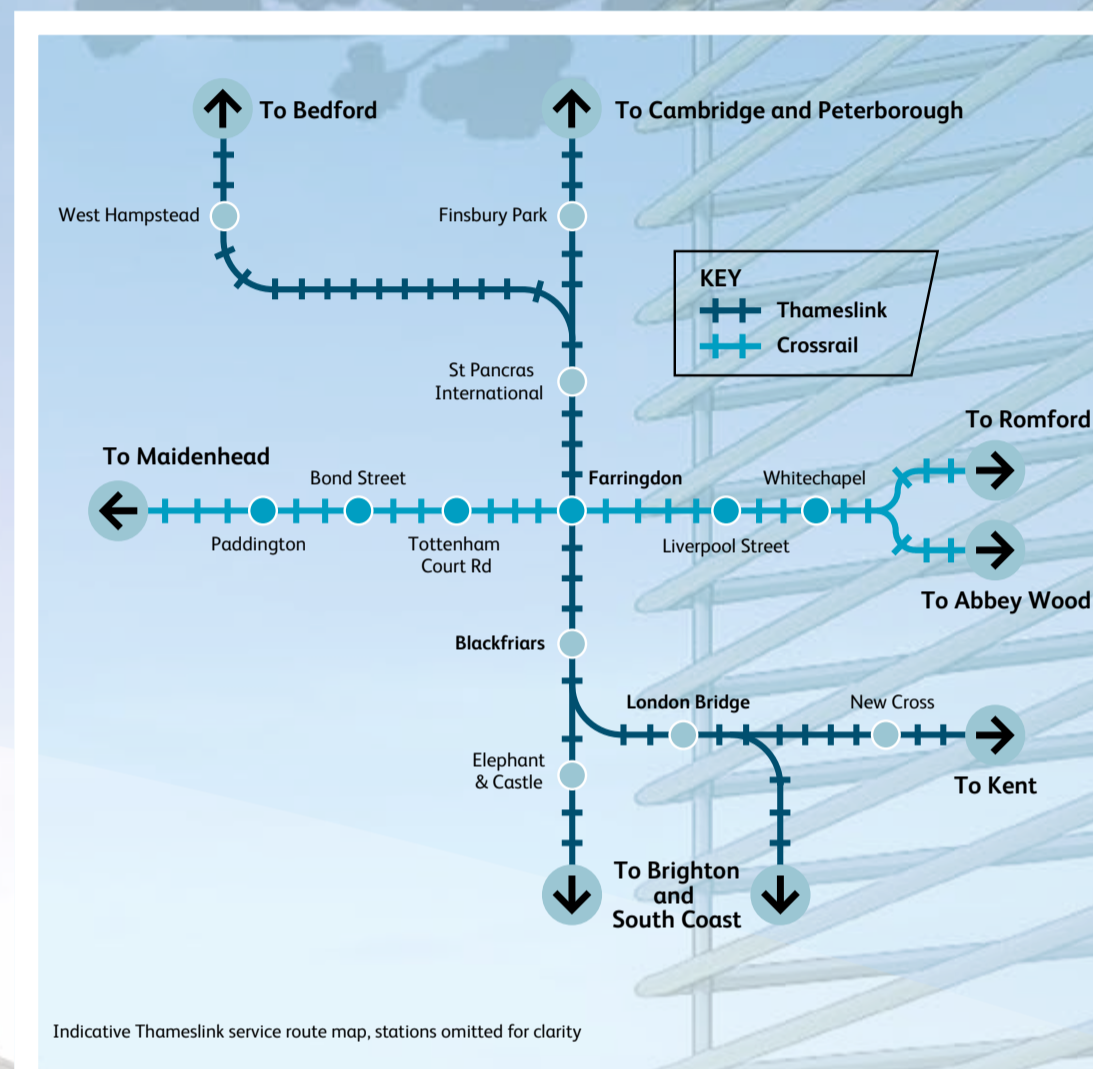
The Thameslink Programme

The Thameslink Programme is focused on providing more frequent and longer trains to, from and through the centre of London. Without our work at London Bridge, these improvements cannot be delivered. By December 2011, the first longer trains will run, while in mid 2012 we'll be unveiling completely redeveloped stations at Blackfriars and Farringdon. Then, in the final phase of the Programme, services will increase to 24 trains an hour in each direction serving the centre of London – 18 of them stopping at a transformed London Bridge.

Keeping London moving

We plan to carry out the station redevelopment in three main phases, starting with the terminating platforms above St Thomas Street and working north towards Tooley Street. The main work is expected to start in 2013 and be complete in 2018, with the station remaining open throughout.

Whilst each phase is underway however, there will be changes to the services that use that part of the station. This will mean fewer trains will be able to serve London Bridge and more use will be made of alternative London stations. Network Rail, the train operators and Transport for London, will work together to keep passengers informed of the changes that could affect them.



Aerial view of the new London Bridge

LONDON BRIDGE



What the improvements mean for you

A changed track layout

By reconfiguring the track there will be nine through platforms and six terminating platforms. This means there will be more trains to more destinations. However, it also means that the train shed (the building above the terminating platforms) has to be taken down.

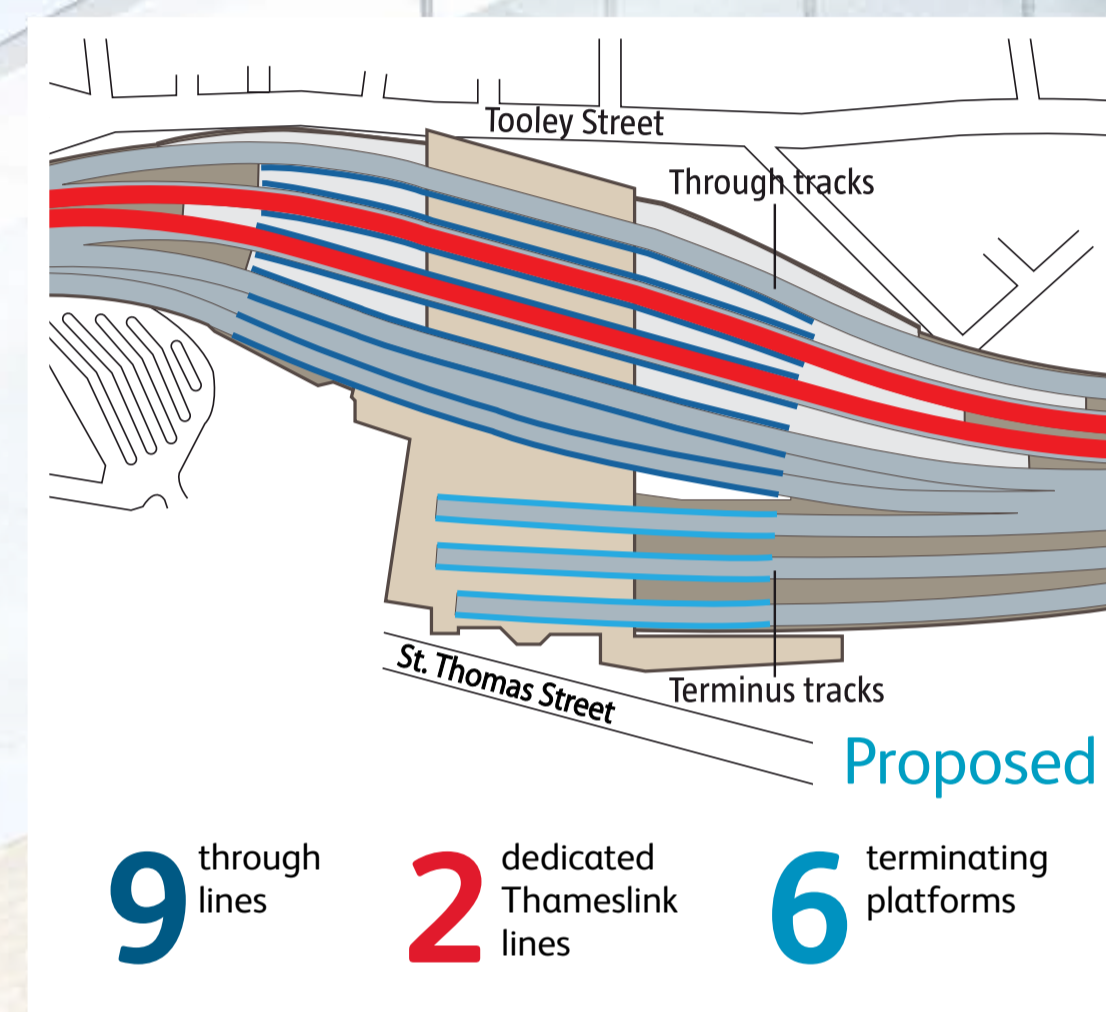
More public space

With the new entrance on Tooley Street, we will be creating a new public realm area, where 84 Tooley Street is now. This will have the space for the passengers using the entrance and will help provide natural light for the concourse within.

Considerate construction

We will be working closely with the London Borough of Southwark (LBS) to make sure that the impact of building the new station is kept to a minimum. As part of our planning application submission, we'll be producing an Environmental Impact Assessment. Some road closures will have to be put in place whilst work is under way and we'll be liaising with LBS and Transport for London on these too.

Throughout the transformation, we will work closely with local residents, businesses and station tenants to make sure any disruption is carefully managed.



New track configuration giving greater capacity and scope for predicted passenger growth

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