

Scoffield takes top spot

Chris Scoffield has stepped up to a new role as managing director of Galliford Try's successful Rail, Aviation & Environment business unit.

Chris, previously the unit's commercial director, succeeds Nick Salt following his promotion to managing director of the infrastructure division last month. Chris joined Galliford Try in 2014 as head of work winning as part of the company's acquisition of Miller Construction.

Says Nick Salt, 'Chris has a wealth of experience in regulated public sector frameworks and will be responsible for growing our presence in the rail, aviation and environment sectors.'



Chris graduated from Loughborough University with a first-class honours degree in commercial management and quantity surveying in 2004. He is also a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and Chartered Institute of Civil Engineering Surveyors. ●

Ian heads GTR finance

Ian McLaren will be joining Govia Thameslink Railway as chief financial officer on 11 December.

Currently finance and contracts director at London Midland - since 2014 - McLaren has worked in the transport, technology and professional services sectors and has held senior level appointments in Europe, Asia-Pacific and the United States.

As well as leading GTR's finance team, Ian will be responsible for procurement and IT activities. He replaces Wilma Allan, who is taking up the role of chief finance officer at London City Airport.



Says GTR chief executive Charles Horton, 'I very much look forward to working with Ian and I know he'll add real value to the business. His broad experience and intimate knowledge of the rail and technology industries will help keep our transformation of the GTR network on track to deliver a better railway and excellent service for our customers. I am very grateful to Wilma Allan, who has led finance teams in Govia for the past 15 years, for her very significant contribution to GTR. Her commitment and professionalism have been outstanding. She will be missed by me and many others across the company and I wish her all the best for the future.' ●

Sarah Barnes joins D2 Rail

D2 Rail has appointed Sarah Barnes as its new programme information manager.

Sarah will be responsible for further developing D2 Rail's Building Information Management (BIM), visualisations and information management services. The objective is to implement information management strategies and introduce visual elements and techniques to rail infrastructure projects.

With over 10 years of experience in the rail and construction industries, Sarah has a strong background in document control, project controls, and information systems management.

Prior to joining D2 Rail, Sarah worked for engineering and design firm WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff as information systems manager and EDMS team leader. She was responsible for leading a team of specialists, which provided services including BIM, document control, CAD QA, 3D modelling, signal sighting, survey management and consents management.

Sarah also spent five years working for international engineering enterprise Laing O'Rourke, gaining programme management experience in both

construction and rail infrastructure environments in document control, project controls management and design management.

Says Sarah, 'I am excited to be appointed as D2 Rail's programme information manager and to be part of the success story of this innovative and forward-thinking business. My focus will be on instilling robust management strategies for my department across all projects we are involved in, and ensuring all design and delivery activities are compliant and of the highest possible standard. As a business, D2 Rail is constantly looking to improve its software development, and aims to continue to use BIM and visualisation techniques to benefit construction projects. I'm looking forward to being part of this process and using my industry experience and collaborative working skills to help the business achieve its goals.'

During her career, she has worked in pivotal roles on projects such as the HS2, East West Rail, Northern Hub, North West Electrification, and Manchester Metrolink.

Says David Diesbergen, managing director of D2 Rail, 'I am delighted to welcome Sarah Barnes to the D2 Rail



team, she will be a great asset in strengthening the existing team and in supporting our vision of becoming the rail industry's preferred programme management consultancy and helping us continue to lead the way in project advancement. Sarah's vast industry knowledge and expertise will be crucial as she works to develop our BIM, visualisations and information management offerings to our clients. She will use her leadership skills to motivate and inspire, creating a positive environment for the team to succeed in.'

D2 Rail has been involved in several high-profile rail projects in 2017, including being appointed as the information controller for the Liverpool Lime Street station rail rejuvenation project and leading the project controls function on Network Rail's Ordsall Chord project. ●

Taylor takes rail lead

Daniel Taylor has been appointed as the head of Ford & Stanley Rail.

Says Daniel, 'I have been blessed and privileged to work with some great people during my career as one would expect working for the likes of Rolls-Royce and the British Army. However that statement has never held more meaning than when referring to the team I have the pleasure of working with here at Ford & Stanley.'

'I'm delighted to be appointed as the "captain at the helm"; charged with excitement yet with absolute clarity and determination for what needs to be achieved in order to continue the phenomenal record of success the company has followed to date.' ●