General Inspection Report

(BC 11) REPORT No 198. SIDE SPAN NORTH

DATE: 31/01/06 TO 20/02/06.

The North Side Span was visually inspected over an intermittent period between the above dates, the general finding were as follows:

Structurally: The Side Span appears to be in a satisfactory condition. The total number of missing / broken / loose bolts remains at fourteen this inspection (Top Chord hatch cover area accounts for eight of them).

Paintwork / Corrosion: continues to deteriorate, as no remedials have been carried out during the past five years, detailed prominent areas are advised in report No.86 (March 2001).

Stringer Bearing Wear: continues to increase as advised in past reports, currently some End Trimmer mis-match (road level) is as much as 20mm at even number panel points. End Trimmer weld failure at PP06,16,18 & 26 East.

All defects recorded and entered on the structure report programme.

Inspectors: