



PANDROL 'FCA' INSTALLED ON THE RHEDA 2000 SLAB TRACK IN THE BOWSHANK TUNNEL

The Bowshank tunnel is a key part of the Borders Railway reinstatement project, and the new Pandrol 'FCA' system was selected to provide a consistent type of rail clip along the whole length between Edinburgh to Tweedbank.

The 'FCA' system appears similar to the FASTCLIP system used on the G44 concrete sleepers for the ballasted track. Whilst the components are mostly interchangeable and use the same installation tools, there are some differences which allow the system to provide both vertical and lateral adjustment.

The Bowshank tunnel is fitted with track held firmly to retain long term alignment and allow high line speed on the sharply curved double track.

Reduced maintenance spares and mechanised installation and extraction assist to reduce the maintenance liability.

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