

THE GOXHILL TO IMMINGHAM DOCK BRANCH LINE.

Following the opening of Immingham Dock in 1909, direct communication with Hull via the New Holland ferries was gained by the laying of a line from Immingham Dock to a junction with the Ulceby to New Holland line at Goxhill, a distance of 7 miles. The line was opened in two stages, Immingham West Junction to Killingholme, and Killingholme to Goxhill, during 1910 and 1911. The line was then opened to goods and passenger traffic. The line was single track with a passing loop at East Halton and was worked on the electric token system. Stations were provided at East Halton and Killingholme, and during the 2nd World War another station named Admiralty was opened at oil installations near the docks.

Passenger services commenced on 2nd May, 1911, between New Holland and the Immingham West Jetty. The 1912 timetable shows seven trains each way on weekdays with an additional train on Saturday. Like many branch lines passenger and goods revenues decreased over time and the line succumbed to the Beeching axe in 1964. The track bed is still discernable and a small section of the line is still in situ at the Immingham end.



East Halton 1912 with Station Staff. (Note Signal Box in background)



Great Western Railcar at Immingham Dock.(A rare sighting indeed).



East Halton just before closure. Passing loop removed.