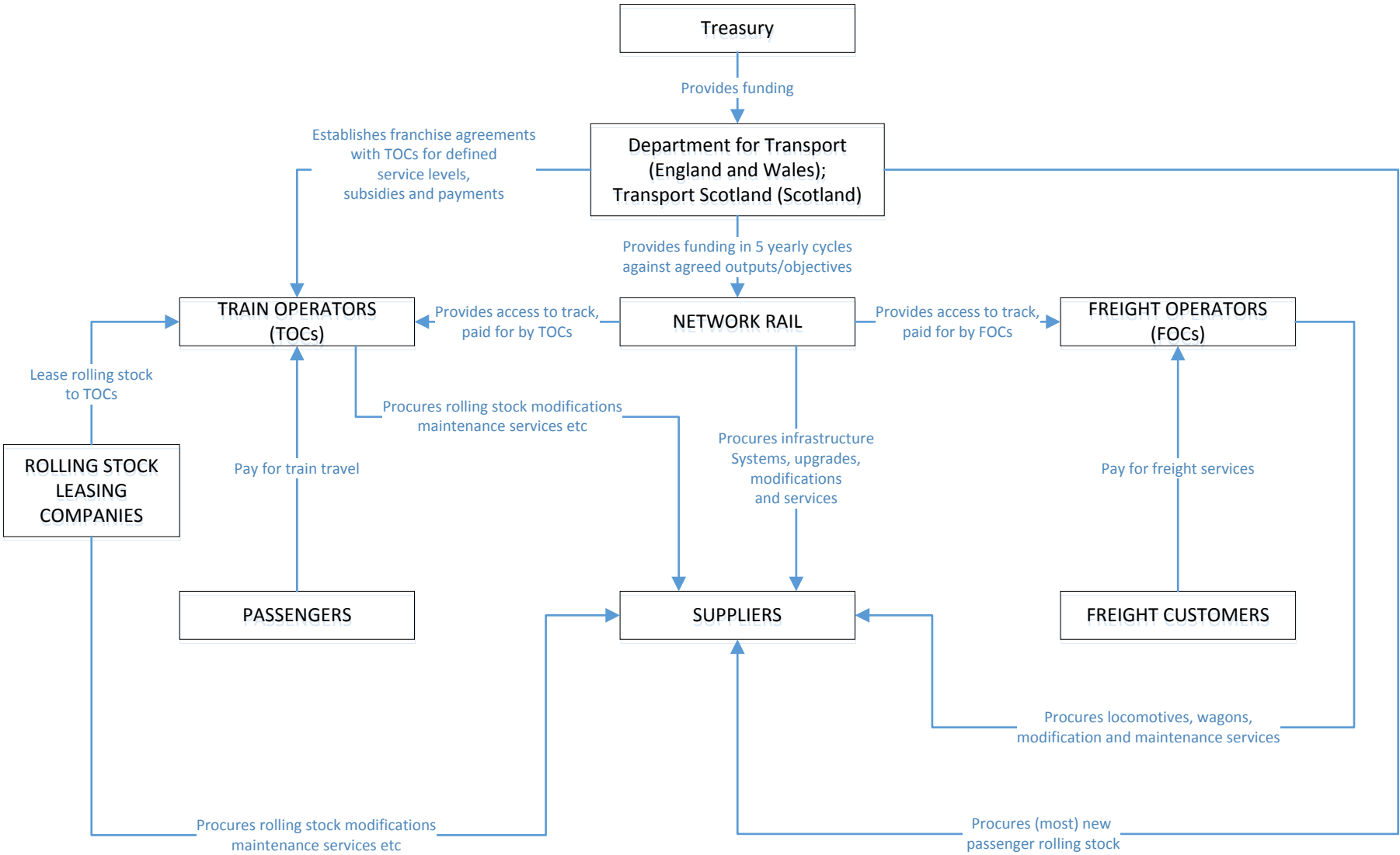




Other organisations involved in the GB rail industry:

OFFICE OF RAIL AND ROAD (ORR)

Responsible for: Monitoring safety and enforcing improvement where necessary; Monitoring/regulating NR's performance; Ensuring fair access to track for operators.

RAIL DELIVERY GROUP

Aims to promote greater co-operation between TOCs and Network Rail through leadership in the industry and by working together with Government, the supply chain and stakeholders.

RAIL SUPPLY GROUP

Brings together Government (BIS and DfT) and the Rail Industry in collaboration to strengthen the capability and competitiveness of the UK rail supply chain to win business at home and abroad

RSSB

Not-for-profit organisation whose purpose is to support the industry to improve the level of safety in the rail industry, drive out unnecessary cost and improve business performance. Includes FutureRailway Group.

RAIL ACCIDENT AND INVESTIGATION BRANCH (RAIB)

Responsible for investigating the causes of accidents and incidents, and for making recommendations based on the lesson learned.

ASSOCIATION OF TRAIN OPERATING COs (ATOC)

Represents the interests of train companies to enhance the benefits for passengers of Britain's national rail network. Also responsible for some commercial matters such as ticketing systems.

RAIL FREIGHT GROUP

The leading representative body for rail freight in the UK. Works to promote rail freight, helping to highlight the benefits of using rail freight.

RAILWAY INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (RIA)

The Railway Industry Association is the principal representative body for UK-based suppliers of equipment and services to the world-wide industry.

RAIL RESEARCH UK ASSOCIATION (RRUKA)

Partnership between the UK rail industry and UK universities. Seeks to enhance collaborative relationships between academia and the railway industry.

NATIONAL SKILLS ACADEMY FOR RAIL ENGINEERING (NSARE)

Provides services and support for growing the skills capability and resources needed to deliver the railway's engineering objectives.

RAIL INDUSTRY SUPPLIER QUALIFICATION SCHEME (RISQS)

The GB rail industry's principal supplier qualification scheme, enabling suppliers to pre-qualify for work on the railway.

RAIL INDUSTRY SUPPLIER APPROVAL SCHEME (RISAS)

The GB rail industry's scheme for the approval of suppliers undertaking safety-critical work on railway systems (principally rolling stock).

PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Professional Institutions relevant to GB railways are represented collectively by the Railway Engineers Forum. The Institutions aim to support their members by enabling their professional development throughout their career. They include the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Institution of Railway Signal Engineers, Permanent Way Institution, Railway Civil Engineers Association, Institution of Railway Operators and others.