

Passenger Train Services over Unusual Lines

listing regular passenger trains over obscure rail routes in the British Isles

2023

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For **Explanation of references** and other general information: please refer to the **Introduction**.

Unless otherwise indicated, trains operated from Sunday 11 December 2022 until Saturday 9 December 2023. All dates quoted were inclusive. The services shown generally represent the 'permanent' timetable plan for the period under notice, but services and timings were subject to further and short notice alteration at any time - particularly over the Christmas/New Year period and at public holiday weekends. At the outset of the timetable, services were subject to disruption through strikes and ban on rest-day working. TransPennine Express services in particular were subject to extensive cancellations, ascribed by the operator to sickness and training backlog.

Some dates for diversionary use are given but these do not purport to be fully comprehensive. Some unusual 'unsocial hours' routeings were to allow for engineering possessions on a more direct route - to which trains may have reverted when there was no engineering work.

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ENGLAND - EAST MIDLANDS

Sheet Stores Junction – Stenson Junction (052)

¶ **Diversionary use only:** for work between Sheet Stores Junction and Derby

Monday 9 to Friday 13 January and Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 June 2023:

various evening and early morning trains between Loughborough or Nottingham and Derby

Beighton Junction - Tapton Junction (050,052) YE01

Mondays to Fridays:

1C23 0752 Sheffield – St. Pancras International (until 19 May 2023)

1M00 1807/1808 Edinburgh - Birmingham New Street

1C13 2330 Sheffield - Derby

1L21 2137 Liverpool Lime Street - Nottingham

1R50 0521 Nottingham - Liverpool Lime Street

1F00 0548 Leicester - Sheffield

1F60 1702 St.Pancras International - Sheffield

1F70 1902 St.Pancras International - Sheffield

1R84 1750 Norwich – Sheffield

1Y36 2227 Nottingham - Sheffield

Saturdays:

1R50 0520 Nottingham – Liverpool Lime Street

1F00 0551 Leicester – Sheffield

¶ **Diversionary use:** when work on East Coast Main Line precludes services running to/from King's Cross, Hull Trains' trains *may* be diverted to/from St.Pancras International, using this route, as on 8 January, 18 and 19 February, 24 and 25 June, 27 August and 3 December 2023

Ironville Junction - Pye Bridge Junction (site) - Kirkby Lane End Junction (055) CJ03

Mondays to Fridays:

2D30 2343 Worksop - Nottingham

Toton Centre - Trent South Junction via High Level Goods Lines (052) CJ03

[common with next but one entry between Toton Centre and Meadow Lane Junction]

Belmond British Pullman excursions Victoria ⇔ Chesterfield for Chatsworth House when run on Wednesdays

¶ Diversionary use:

Sunday 8 January, Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 February, and Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 June, Sunday 27 August and Sunday 3 December 2023:

Hull Trains' trains between Hull and St. Pancras International (*two round trips*)

Sunday 27 August 2023:

1B02 0734 Nottingham - St. Pancras International

1B04 0821 Nottingham - St. Pancras International

Trent East Junction - Toton Centre (052) CJ03

Belmond British Pullman excursions Victoria ⇔ Chesterfield for Chatsworth House when run on Saturdays

Saturdays:

1C99 2320 Sheffield - Derby

Sundays:

1C61 2236 Sheffield - Derby

¶ Diversionary use:

Monday 16 to Friday 20 January 2023 and various other dates as advertised:

1C05 0500 MX Sheffield - St. Pancras International

1C13 2330 Sheffield - Derby

1F85 2232 St. Pancras International - Sheffield

Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 June 2023:

1B04 0418 SO Derby - Luton

Trains between Nottingham and Luton

Attenborough Junction - Toton Centre (052,054) CJ03

[common with previous but one entry above between Meadow Lane Junction and Toton Centre]

Mondays to Fridays:

1Y03 0603 Sheffield - Nottingham

1L21 2137 Liverpool Lime Street - Nottingham

1Y34 2115 Nottingham - Leeds

2D30 2334 Worksop - Nottingham (9 to 13 January and 26 to 30 June 2023)

Saturdays:

1Y03 0603 Sheffield - Nottingham

1L22 2137 Liverpool Lime Street - Nottingham

1Y34 2112 Nottingham - Leeds

Sundays:

1L20 2114 Liverpool Lime Street - Nottingham

1L22 2144 Manchester Piccadilly - Nottingham

1Y61 2109 Leeds - Nottingham

1B02 0700 Nottingham - St. Pancras (4 June 2023 only)

1B04 0754 Nottingham - St. Pancras (4 June 2023 only)

1Y62 2133 Nottingham - Leeds

1Y94 2233 Nottingham - Sheffield

¶ Diversionary use: Sunday 27 August 2023:

1B02 0734 Nottingham - St. Pancras International

1B04 0821 Nottingham - St. Pancras International

Toton Centre - Trowell Junction (052,054) CJ03

All trains in previous three entries

Syston North Junction - Syston East Junction (054) CJ04

Mondays to Fridays:

1L01 0456 Nottingham - Norwich

1L02 0607 Nottingham - Norwich

Saturdays:

1L01 0500 Nottingham - Norwich

1L02 0608 Nottingham - Norwich

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Nottingham and Peterborough via Grantham

Thrumpton West Junction - Retford West Junction (026) YE07

[**note:** these trains use Retford high level platform 2]

Mondays to Fridays:

2P05 0610 Sheffield - Retford

1L89 2143 Sheffield - Retford

1Y97 0613 Retford - Nottingham

1L36 0656 Retford - Leeds

2P30 2251 Retford - Sheffield

Saturdays:

2P05 0613 Sheffield - Retford

1L89 2143 Sheffield - Retford

1Y97 0613 Retford - Nottingham

1L36 0656 Retford - Leeds

2P30 2251 Retford - Sheffield

Sundays:

2B85 0912 Retford - Meadowhall

Corby - Manton Junction (052) CJ04

Mondays to Fridays:

1M51 1938 Kettering - Melton Mowbray

1M15 0945 St Pancras International - Melton Mowbray (until 19 May 2023)

1P22 0815 Melton Mowbray - Kettering

1P60 1435 Melton Mowbray - St Pancras International (until 19 May 2023)

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Kettering and Leicester:

Mondays to Fridays:

1F89 0015 MX St Pancras International - Derby (until 19 May 2023)

1F87 2305 St Pancras International - Derby

1D88 2335 St Pancras International - Nottingham (*subject to altered destination some dates*)

1C00 0357 MX Derby - St Pancras International (until 19 May 2023)

1C01 0412 MX Derby - St Pancras International (*subject to retiming earlier some dates*)

Saturdays until 20 May 2023:

1F89 0015 St Pancras International - Derby

Sundays 21 May, 9 and 16 July, 6 and 20 August, 3 and 24 September, and Saturdays 5 and 19 August 2023:

Trains Leicester ⇔ Kettering

[Harroden Junction -] Irchester South (site) - Souldrop (site) [- Sharnbrook Junction] (via Up & Down Slow line / Up and Down Slow lines (Wymington deviation) and Sharnbrook tunnel) - see England - South East (North) section

Gainsborough Central - Wrawby Junction (026) YE07 {service resumed from 14 January 2023 - had been cancelled for various reasons prior to that; 'obscure' section extended to Gainsborough Trent East Junction from 21 May 2023 upon withdrawal of the two additional weekday round trips Sheffield ⇔ Gainsborough Central}

Three round trips Sheffield ⇔ Cleethorpes on Saturdays from 14 January until 20 May 2023.

One round trip Sheffield ⇔ Cleethorpes on Mondays to Fridays from 22 May 2023.

Sleaford North Junction - Sleaford South Junction (Sleaford avoiding line) (059) YA05

Mondays to Fridays:

2K34 2311 Peterborough - Lincoln

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work on East Coast main line between Peterborough and Doncaster

with diversions via Spalding and Lincoln such as 16 and 17 May 2023 or for Peterborough – Lincoln local trains not calling at Sleaford

Allington West Junction - Allington North Junction (058) YA05

Mondays to Fridays:

2S91 0547 Nottingham - Skegness

2S93 0955 Nottingham - Skegness

2O92 2120 Skegness - Nottingham

Saturdays:

2S91 0549 Nottingham - Skegness

1S93 0756 Derby - Skegness (22 July - 9 September 2023)

2S93 0955 Nottingham – Skegness

1O82 1142 Skegness – Derby (22 July - 9 September 2023)

1O84 1327 Skegness – Derby (22 July - 9 September 2023)

2O94 2247 Sleaford - Nottingham

ENGLAND - GREATER LONDON

Northolt Park Junction - Northolt Junction (113) CG01

Normal routes for Down (northbound) trains:

- shown at South Ruislip: Down Northolt Loop (*diveunder - former Down Main line*)
- not shown at South Ruislip: Down Main line

Greenford LUL Bay Junction (South Junction) - Northolt Junction (113)

Once weekly service replaced by bus after operation on Wednesday 7 December 2022. This route will not be referred to in future.

New Kew Junction - South Acton Junction and Acton Wells Junction - Brent Curve Junction (Cricklewood) LC02

Belmond British Pullman excursions Victoria ⇔ Chesterfield for Chatsworth House

Old Kew Junction - South Acton Junction and Acton Wells Junction - West London Junction (reversible line) - Mitre Bridge Junction and Latchmere No. 1 Junction - Longhedge Junction

Steam Dreams outward *Royal Windsor Steam Express* from Victoria to Windsor & Eton Riverside TO in summer (*normally only first and second morning journeys (0800 and 1122) are by this route*)

Belmond British Pullman *Golden Age of Steam* from Victoria (1145) circular as advertised

Belmond British Pullman *The Dinner* from Victoria (1845/1850) circular as advertised

Strawberry Hill Junction - Fulwell Junction (161) WH01

Mondays to Fridays:

Peak hour trains Twickenham ⇔ Shepperton

Stonebridge Park Depot – Stonebridge Junction [London Underground] {existing facility}

[note: Stonebridge Park Depot is not accessible to the public and nor are these trains]

Unadvertised staff trains operate as shown in [LUL Bakerloo Line working timetable](#) by note **BE**.

Sudbury Junction - Willesden West London Junction (via Willesden Relief Lines diveunder) (168) CB01

[common with next entry between Wembley Yard South Junction and Willesden West London Junction]

Principal use: Southern trains Kensington Olympia ⇔ Harrow & Wealdstone.

Wembley Yard - Wembley Yard South Junction - Willesden West London Junction (via Willesden Relief Lines diveunder) (220) CB01

[common with previous entry between Wembley Yard South Junction and Willesden West London Junction]

¶ **Diversions use only:** When diverted via East Coast route, *Caledonian Sleepers 1M11* and *1S25* use this route in one direction to reverse at Wembley Yard : see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry

Wembley Yard - Wembley Yard South Junction - Harlesden Junction (via Up & Down High Level Goods Line) (220) CB01

¶ **Diversions use only:** When diverted via East Coast route, *Caledonian Sleepers 1M11* and *1S25* use this route in one direction to reverse at Wembley Yard, while *1M16* and *1S26* use this route in both directions to reverse at Wembley Yard : see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry

Willesden - Mitre Bridge Junction (168) CB01/LC02

Normal routes:

- London Overground trains Willesden Junction High Level ⇔ Kensington Olympia: High Level lines to/from Willesden Junction High Level
- Southern trains Harrow & Wealdstone ⇔ Kensington Olympia: Branch lines to/from West London Junction

Cricklewood - Silkstream Junction (via Hendon Lines (flyover)) CJ01 *Belmond British Pullman* excursions Victoria ⇔ Chesterfield for Chatsworth House

Willesden Suburban Junction - Kensal Green Junction (003) LC02

Mondays to Fridays:

2N99 0551 Willesden Junction Low Level – Stratford (except 31 July to 10 August 2023)

2M35 0018 TWThFO Camden Road – Willesden Junction Low Level (27 June until 30 June and 8 August until 11 August 2023)

Saturdays:

2L00 0547 Willesden Junction Low Level - Stratford

2M23 2344 Stratford - Willesden Junction Low Level

Sundays:

2L99 0902 Willesden Junction Low Level - Stratford

2M25 0014 Stratford - Willesden Junction Low Level

2M07 2303 Stratford - Willesden Junction Low Level

Kensal Green Junction – City Lines - Harlesden Junction – Wembley Yard (220)

¶ **Diversions use only:** *Caledonian Sleepers* when diverted via East Coast route are *occasionally* routed this way instead of Camden Road West Junction - Camden Junction:

Sundays 19 March, 21 and 28 May, and 4 June 2023:

Northbound *1E25* and *1E26* from Euston

Earl's Court Junction - Kensington (Olympia) [London Underground]

Mondays to Fridays:

very limited number of journeys at beginning and end of service - see current District Line working timetable at [LUL website](#)

Saturdays and Sundays:

regular service throughout the day

Camden Road West Junction - Camden Junction (003, 220) LC02

¶ **Diversions use only:**

Connection with Slow lines at Camden Junction:

Caledonian Sleepers when diverted via East Coast route: all trains in next entry *except any via Kensal Green Junction – Harlesden Junction entry*

Connection with DC lines at Camden Junction: for work on North London line:

28 to 30 December 2022, Sundays 8 and 29 January, 2 April, 23 July, Saturdays 28

January and 15 July 2023:

Trains between Camden Road and Willesden Junction Low Level.

Mondays to Fridays 31 July until Thursday 10 August 2023:

2Z00 0549 Willesden Jn Low Level - Stratford

Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction (220) LC02

¶ **Diversions use only:** *Caledonian Sleepers* when diverted via East Coast route:

Sunday nights/Monday mornings 26/27 February until 18/19 June 2023:

nights of 6/7 until 19/20 March 2023:

Friday nights/Saturday mornings 24/25 February until 2/3 June 2023:

1S25 2015/2024 Euston - Inverness *

1S26 2139 Euston - Glasgow Central §

1M11 2145 Glasgow Central - Euston §

1M16 2026/2045 Inverness - Euston *

[**notes:** Check with [Caledonian Sleepers website](#), or [OpenTrainTimes](#) or [Realtime Trains](#) websites.

* = carries portions for or from Aberdeen and Fort William; § = carries portion for or from Edinburgh]

Point Pleasant Junction - East Putney (161) WH02

Mondays to Fridays:

2L77 2312 Waterloo – Basingstoke

2L10 0451/0454 Basingstoke - Waterloo

Saturdays:

2L77 2312 Waterloo - Basingstoke

2L10 0451/0454 Basingstoke – Waterloo

Sundays:

1B01 0105 Waterloo - Southampton Central

Latchmere Junctions - Clapham Junction (168) WB02

Normal routes:

- Southern trains Kensington Olympia ⇔ Clapham Junction: West London lines and Clapham Junction platforms 16 and 17
- London Overground trains Kensington Olympia ⇔ Clapham Junction: Latchmere Curve and Clapham Junction platform 1

Pouparts Junction - Longhedge Junction WB01

Belmond British Pullman excursions returning from Sussex to Victoria

Belmond British Pullman Golden Age of Steam from Victoria (1145) circular as advertised

Belmond British Pullman The Dinner from Victoria (1845/1850) circular as advertised

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Pouparts Junction and Battersea Pier Junction, in conjunction with Longhedge Junction - Stewarts Lane Junction – Battersea Pier Junction (central side) entry

Factory Junction - Stewarts Lane Junction - Grosvenor Bridge Junction (south-eastern side)

(180,183,184,185,186,188) WB01

[common with next entry between Stewarts Lane Junction and Grosvenor Bridge Junction (south-eastern side)]

Most *Belmond British Pullman* excursions Victoria ⇔ destinations in Kent

Mondays to Fridays:

2K52 0457/0500 Gillingham – Victoria

2Y90 0605 Victoria – Ramsgate

Sundays when advertised:

1Y44 1530 Folkestone West - Victoria (VSOE)

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Factory Junction and Grosvenor Bridge Junction on direct line

Latchmere No. 1 Junction - Longhedge Junction – see *Old Kew Junction* ---- *Longhedge Junction* entry, above

Longhedge Junction - Stewarts Lane Junction - Grosvenor Bridge Junction (south-eastern side) WB01

[common with previous entry between Stewarts Lane Junction and Grosvenor Bridge Junction (south-eastern side) and following entry between Longhedge Junction and Stewarts Lane Junction]

The Railway Touring Co's outward *Dorset Coast Express* (and other titles) alternate ThO in summer

Most *Belmond British Pullman* excursions Victoria ⇔ destinations *other than* Kent

Steam Dreams *Royal Windsor Steam Express* Victoria ⇔ Windsor & Eton Riverside TO in summer

Steam Dreams *Sunset Steam Express* from Victoria (1815) circular TO in summer

Longhedge Junction - Stewarts Lane Junction – Battersea Pier Junction (central side) WB01
[common with previous entry between Longhedge Junction and Stewarts Lane Junction]

¶ **Diversionsary use only** - usually in conjunction with Pouparts Junction - Longhedge Junction

► **[note:** "Grosvenor Bridge Junction" is used for timetable purposes to distinguish the south-eastern side junction for Stewarts Lane from the central side junction; in signal engineering terms and in the Sectional Appendix both are still known as "Battersea Pier Junction"]

Battersea Park (platform 2) - Factory Junction (167) WB01

[**note:** trains shown with Battersea Park times by footnote in eNRT table 167]

Mondays to Fridays:

9H05 0633 Battersea Park - Dalston Junction

9H71 2303 Battersea Park - Dalston Junction

9M67 2204 Dalston Junction - Battersea Park

Saturdays:

Trains Wandsworth Road ⇔ Battersea Park between 0715 and 0833

Sundays:

9H10 0747 Battersea Park - Highbury & Islington

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Wandsworth Road and Clapham Junction

Streatham North Junction - Streatham South Junction (via reversible fast spur) (162,163)

WF01A {*reduced to diversionsary use only from 12 December 2022*}

¶ **Diversionsary use only:**

Mondays to Fridays 30 January to 9 February, 17 to 23 March, 24 to 26 April, 3 and 4

May 2023:

2I69 2313 Dorking – Victoria

Sunday 5 February 2023:

Trains between Gatwick Airport and Victoria

Brixton Junction - Canterbury Road Junction - Cambria Junction (180,184,188) WB01

[common with next entry between Brixton Junction and Canterbury Road Junction]

VSOE trains to Folkestone West often use this route.

Principal use: x.07 and x.37 **daily** Victoria – Dartford **plus** x.50 **SuO** Dover Priory – Victoria

[**note:** most other trains Victoria ⇔ Denmark Hill scheduled to run via the Atlantic Lines]

Tulse Hill Junction - Leigham Junction (165) WF03 {*regular service resumed 22 May 2023*}

Mondays to Fridays:

2W94 0750 Streatham Hill – London Bridge

2W96 0820 Streatham Hill – London Bridge

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** limited use when Sydenham – Crystal Palace route not available:

Tuesday to Friday 21 until 24 February 2023:

2Z93 0010 London Bridge – Streatham Hill

Monday to Thursday 15 until 18 May 2023:

2F74 2320 Victoria – London Bridge

2F93 2359 London Bridge – Streatham Hill

Seven Sisters Junction - South Tottenham West Junction and South Tottenham East Junction - Tottenham South Junction (014,017) LB01A

Saturdays:

2U00 0530 Liverpool Street - Enfield Town

Northumberland Park Depot (Staff Platforms) - Seven Sisters [London Underground]

[**notes:** accessible only to or from Seven Sisters platforms 4 and 5; **Northumberland Park Depot is not accessible to the public and nor are these trains**]

Unadvertised staff trains operate outwith peak hours, as shown in [LUL Victoria Line working timetable](#), page 6. At the depot, trains normally use no. 60 road.

Beckenham Junction - New Beckenham (191) WC01

1Y86 0015 ThFSO Charing Cross – Tunbridge Wells

1Y85 0020 TWO Cannon Street – Tunbridge Wells

1Y02 0445 MTWThFO Tonbridge - Charing Cross

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Lewisham and Orpington

Sunday 15 January 2023:

Trains Charing Cross ⇔ Tunbridge Wells

Gas Factory Junction – Bow Junction (001) LC01

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Fenchurch Street and Barking

Westferry - Canary Wharf (via West India Down Viaduct line, avoiding North Quay Junction)
[Docklands Light Railway]

Trains *from* Bank to Lewisham (trains do *not* call at West India Quay).

Lewisham Vale Junction - Tanners Hill Junction / Lewisham - St Johns (183) WC01

Principal uses: trains Lewisham ⇔ Charing Cross usually use the St Johns flyover and Tanners Hill line; trains Lewisham ⇔ Cannon Street usually use the Slow Line connection via St Johns station.

Ravensbourne Junction - Shortlands Junction (Ravensbourne Chord - diveunder) (180,188)

[**note:** accessible only to or from Shortlands fast lines platforms 1 and 2]

Stopping trains to or from the Catford line.

Ravensbourne Junction - Shortlands Junction (Catford Loop Lines - ground level) (180,188)

[**note:** accessible only to or from Shortlands slow lines platforms 3 and 4]

Trains to or from the Catford line *other than* those using Ravensbourne Chord (previous entry) - principal use: Southeastern trains calling at Denmark Hill and Bromley South.

Parks Bridge Junction - Ladywell Junction (Ladywell Loop) (182) WC01

Monday to Saturday trains to and from the Catford Bridge line *not* shown to call at Lewisham.

Channelsea South Junction - Stratford Central Junction West (003) LC02

Principal use: North London line ⇔ Stratford trains using platforms *other than* 1 or 2 at Stratford.

Departures from Stratford: **Mondays to Fridays:** 0705, 1049, 1236, 1406, 1500, 1523; **Saturdays:** 0714, 0836, 1459; **Sundays:** 1017, 1108, 1123, 1201, 1301, 1402, 1508, 1601, 1701, 1808, 1901, 2001. *Only departures are listed because for them it is possible to be certain of routeing on joining.*

Forest Gate Junction - Woodgrange Park Junction (001) LC01

Saturdays and Sundays:

Half-hourly service Liverpool Street ⇔ Shoeburyness

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Barking and Fenchurch Street with diversion of services to/from Liverpool Street

Barking Station Junction - Barking platforms 7/8 (via T&H Lines flyover) (001,003) LC02

From 18 July 2022 this became the route of the Overground service between Gospel Oak and Barking Riverside.

Chislehurst Junction - St Mary Cray Junction (via reversible Chatham loop) (188,189,190) WB01

Services **from** Charing Cross **to** Maidstone East (table 190), **plus** Monday to Friday evening peak down trains **from** Cannon Street **to** the north Kent line.

St Mary Cray Junction - Chislehurst Junction (via up Chatham loop) (188,189,190) WB01

Services **from** Maidstone East **to** Charing Cross (table 190), **plus** Monday to Friday morning peak up trains **from** the north Kent line **to** Cannon Street.

Bickley Junction - Petts Wood Junction (via fast Tonbridge loop) (180) WB01

Mondays to Fridays:

1Y02 0445 Tonbridge - Charing Cross

¶ **Engineering diversions: Sunday 15 and Saturday and Sunday 28/29 January 2023:**

Trains Charing Cross or Victoria ⇔ Sevenoaks or beyond

Slade Green Junction - Perry Street Fork Junction (184,186) WC02

Regular all-day service Slade Green ⇄ Barnehurst restored 12 December 2022.

Crayford Spur A Junction – Crayford Spur B Junction (185,186) WC02 *{existing line with reduced service from 12 December 2022}***Mondays to Fridays:**

2I09 0726 New Cross – Cannon Street via Sidcup and Erith

2I53 1648 Cannon Street – Cannon Street via Sidcup and Erith – then half-hourly until 1848

2O13 0705 Cannon Street – Cannon Street via Erith and Sidcup

2O15 0729 Cannon Street – Cannon Street via Erith and Sidcup

ENGLAND - NORTH EAST**King Edward Bridge South Junction - Gateshead High Level Bridge Junction (040,042)**

YA04/YD03 [common with next entry between King Edward Bridge East Junction and Greensfield Junction]

Table 040 trains:**Mondays to Fridays until 19 May 2023:**

9E04 0618 York – Newcastle

9E05 0520 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

9E07 0724 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

9E12 1224 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

9E14 1424 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

9E18 1825 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

1N33 2000 Kings Cross – Sunderland *arriving Newcastle*

9M08 0801 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

9M09 0902 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

9M11 1101 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

9M16 1602 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

9M18 1804 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

Mondays to Fridays from 22 May 2023:

9E10 1024 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

9E18 1825 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle

1N33 2000 Kings Cross – Sunderland *arriving Newcastle*

9M10 1001 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

9M14 1402 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street

Saturdays:

9E04 0618 York – Newcastle (until 20 May 2023)

1P19 0854 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (5 August to 21 October 2023)

9E09 0924 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

9E10 1022 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

9E12 1226 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (until 20 May 2023)

9E13 1326 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (until 20 May 2023)

9E14 1424 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (until 20 May 2023)

1S49 1127 Plymouth – Edinburgh

9M26 0641 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (5 August to 21 October 2023)

9M08 0801 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (until 20 May 2023)

9M23 1244 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (5 August to 21 October 2023)

9M13 1301/1304 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

9M14 1401/1404 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

9M16 1602 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (until 20 May 2023)

9M17 1703 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (until 20 May 2023)

9M18 1804 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (until 20 May 2023)

Sundays:

9E09 0921 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)

9E10 1025 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)

9E12 1224 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)

1P29 1443 Manchester Piccadilly – Newcastle

1P35 1652 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (6 August to 22 October 2023)

9E17 1725 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)
1S49 0930 Penzance – Edinburgh (until 12 February 2023)
9M13 1303 Newcastle – Liverpool Lime Street (until 21 May 2023)
9M14 1402 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)
9M16 1600 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street
1P36 1740 Newcastle – Manchester Piccadilly (except 6 August to 22 October 2023)
9M37 1740 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (6 August to 22 October 2023)

Table 042 trains:

Mondays to Fridays:

2N16 0803 Carlisle – Morpeth
2N10 0659 Carlisle – Newcastle (until 19 May 2023)
2N70 2341 Hexham – Newcastle
1N53 0622 Saltburn – Carlisle *leaving Newcastle* (until 19 May 2023)

Saturdays:

2N10 0659 Carlisle – Newcastle (until 20 May 2023)
2N16 0802/0803 Carlisle – Morpeth
1N53 0622 Saltburn – Carlisle *leaving Newcastle* (until 20 May 2023)

Sundays:

2A52 1038 Metrocentre – Morpeth
2A67 1758 Metrocentre – Newcastle
2N14 1449 Carlisle – Nunthorpe

King Edward Bridge North Junction - Gateshead Park Lane Junction (041) YD03

[common with previous entry between King Edward Bridge East Junction and Greensfield Junction]

1N33 2000 SSuX Kings Cross – Sunderland *leaving Newcastle*
2N14 1449 SuO Carlisle – Nunthorpe *leaving Newcastle*

Additional Monday to Saturday services shown in working timetable but not introduced:

1J02 1016 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J04 1216 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J06 1416 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J05 1215 Newcastle - Middlesbrough
1J07 1418 Newcastle - Middlesbrough
1J09 1616/1617 Newcastle - Middlesbrough

¶ Diversionary use:

Saturdays and Sundays, 14/15 January until 11/12 February 2023:

1N75 0722 SO Saltburn – Newcastle
1D28 2058 SuO Gateshead MetroCentre – Saltburn (*leaving Newcastle*)

Trains York ⇔ Newcastle, diverted via Coast line

Darlington South Junction - North Junction (via main lines outside station) (40, 220) YA04

Trains not shown to call at Darlington, particularly in the Up (southbound) direction. In the Down (northbound) direction - particularly during the day - non-stop trains often run via platform 4 to avoid conflicting movements with Up trains at the North and South Junctions.

Caledonian Sleepers when diverted via East Coast route (see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry for dates) use this route.

ENGLAND - NORTH WEST

Morecambe - Heysham Port (106) CE02

One round trip daily.

Bare Lane Junction - Hest Bank Junction (106) CE02

Mondays to Saturdays:

2C99 0519 Lancaster - Morecambe (via Carnforth)

Farington Junction - Lostock Hall Junction CL06

Excursion trains Wigan ⇔ the Settle & Carlisle line when **not** shown at Preston *en route to/from* Hellifield.

[Sankey Junction -] Earlestown West Junction – Earlestown South Junction (085) CL02

Mondays to Saturdays:

2F10 0510 Liverpool Lime Street – Ellesmere Port

2F17 1906 Ellesmere Port – Liverpool Lime Street

(subject to the same frequent cancellation as the **Helsby – Ellesmere Port** entry)

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Edge Hill and Weaver Junction

Golborne Junction - Lowton Junction - Newton le Willows Junction (084,085) CL02

[common with next entry between Golborne Junction and Lowton Junction]

Mondays to Saturdays:

2F01 0924 SX Wigan North Western - Liverpool Lime Street

2W90 1542 SX Liverpool Lime Street – Wigan North Western

2W91 1831 Liverpool Lime Street – Wigan North Western

Golborne Junction - Lowton Junction - Parkside Junction (85,101) CL02

[common with previous entry between Golborne Junction and Lowton Junction]

Mondays to Fridays:

1S30 0457 MX Manchester Airport – Carlisle/Glasgow Central

1C79 1129 Manchester Airport – Windermere

1C90 1229 Manchester Airport – Barrow-in-Furness

1C92 2104 Manchester Airport – Preston

1M69 0628 Lancaster – Manchester Airport

1U01 1447 Barrow in Furness – Manchester Piccadilly/Manchester Airport

1M65 2011 Edinburgh/ 2114 Lockerbie/2133 Carlisle – Manchester Airport (from 6 March 2023)

1U00 2155 ThX Blackpool North – Manchester Piccadilly

2G91 0713 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2G92 0813 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2G93 0913 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2G94 1613 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2G95 1713 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2G96 1813 Manchester Victoria – Wigan North Western

2R67 2302 Manchester Victoria - Wigan Wallgate (from 22 May 2023)

2V01 0636 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

2V02 0739 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

2V03 0836 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

2V04 1535 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

2V05 1638 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

2V06 1722 Wigan North Western – Manchester Victoria

Saturdays:

1S30 0457 Manchester Airport – Carlisle/Glasgow Central

1M69 0628 Lancaster – Manchester Airport (until 25 February and from 27 May 2023)

1U00 2157 Blackpool North – Manchester Airport

Sundays:

1U00 0912 Preston – Manchester Airport

1M64 0916 Glasgow Central/1044 Carlisle – Manchester Airport

1N92 2059 Manchester Airport – Preston

2L74 2110 Blackburn – Wigan Wallgate (from 21 May 2023)

Helsby – Ellesmere Port (077) CF06

Two round trips Mondays to Saturdays. *Cancelled 12 until 19 December 2022 and thereafter with monotonous regularity.*

Warrington Bank Quay - Walton Old Junction - Acton Grange Junction (077) CE01

Principal use: most trains Warrington Bank Quay ⇔ Chester.

At Warrington Bank Quay, if signal WN196 at the Up end of platform 1 shows a "clear" aspect without "feather" or signal WN201 at the Up end of platform 2 shows a "clear" aspect with "feather", this indicates use of Up Helsby line leading to Walton Old Junction.

Sandbach – Northwich West Junction (077) CF03

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Crewe and Chester, as on 9 April 2023

Clitheroe - Hellifield Junction (035) CL06 {no regular advertised service after 14 May 2023}

Excursion trains Lancashire or south thereof ⇔ the Settle & Carlisle line, plus

Sundays until 14 May 2023:

Two round trips Blackpool North/Preston ⇔ Hellifield in winter, one round trip Blackpool North ⇔ Carlisle in summer.

MediaCityUK - Broadway [Manchester Metrolink]

Until 24 September 2023:

Used by Eccles trams **except** the first four inward and last four outward workings (*see next entry*).

From 25 September 2023:

Used by Eccles trams Mondays to Fridays before 0700 and after 2000; Saturdays before 0900 and after 1830; Sundays and Bank Holidays all day when no service via next entry.

(Salford) Harbour City - Broadway [Manchester Metrolink]

Until 24 September 2023:

Used only by first four morning inward workings to Eccles and last four outward workings from Eccles each day.

From 25 September 2023:

Used by Eccles trams: Mondays to Fridays 0700 to 2000; Saturdays 0900 to 1830; Sundays and Bank Holidays no service, *i.e. when no service via previous entry*.

Heald Green North Junction - Heald Green South Junction (093) CM01

Mondays to Saturdays:

1004 0511 SX Manchester Piccadilly – Bournemouth

9R20/9A46 0603 Manchester Piccadilly – Euston

Sundays:

1W00 0830/0832 Crewe - Manchester Piccadilly

1W01 0929 Crewe - Manchester Piccadilly

1W03 0830 Cardiff Central - Manchester Piccadilly

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Slade Lane Junction and Wilmslow:

Saturdays and Sunday 28/29 January and 4/5 February 2023:

Trains between Manchester Piccadilly and Crewe

Mondays to Thursdays 22 to 25 May and 3 to 6 July 2023:

2H47 2312 Crewe – Manchester Piccadilly

2K38 2337 Manchester Piccadilly - Crewe

Heaton Norris Junction - Guide Bridge Station Junction (097) CL04

Saturdays:

2J44 0830 Stalybridge – Stockport

2J45 0904 Stockport –Stalybridge

Dinting West Junction - Dinting East Junction (avoiding Glossop) (097) CM04

Mondays to Saturdays:

2G00 0532 Manchester Piccadilly – Hadfield

2G35 2329 Manchester Piccadilly - Glossop via Hadfield

Sundays:

2G80 0929 Manchester Piccadilly – Hadfield

ENGLAND - SOUTH EAST (NORTH)

Didcot West Curve Junction – Foxhall Junction (via Didcot West Curve (122) PA04

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Didcot West Curve Junction and Didcot

Saturday 11 and Sundays 5 and 12 February 2023:

Trains Reading ⇔ Oxford

Didcot East Junction - Didcot North Junction (via Didcot Avoiding Line) (122) PA04

Most trains from Reading to Oxford *not* shown to call at Didcot Parkway

All trains from Oxford to Reading *not* shown to call at Didcot Parkway *except when diverted via Foxhall Junction (see next entry above)*

Line out of use during period of closure of Nuneham Viaduct from 4 April until 9 June 2023

[Harroden Junction -] Irchester South (site) - Souldrop (site) [- Sharnbrook Junction] (via Slow lines (Wymington deviation) and Sharnbrook tunnel) (052) CJ02A

Belmond British Pullman excursion from Victoria to Chesterfield for Chatsworth House, plus:

Saturdays:

1Y69 2235 St. Pancras International – Wellingborough

¶ **Diversionsary use:** when work on East Coast Main Line precludes services running to/from King's Cross, **some** Hull Trains' trains diverted to/from St.Pancras International (as on 8 January, 18 and 19 February, 24 and 25 June and 27 August 2023) **may** use this route to be overtaken by East Midlands trains.

Marholm Junction – Glinton Junction (via Werrington lines diveunder) YA05

[**note:** At Peterborough, a departure for the Sleaford line from platform 7 must take this route, while departures from platforms 4, 5 or 6 may do so if the signal at the Down end does not signify use of the Down Main.]

Mondays to Fridays:

2T51 0637 Newark North Gate – Peterborough (from 22 May 2023)

2K17 1455 Doncaster – Peterborough

2K08 0832 Peterborough – Newark North Gate (from 22 May 2023)

2K24 1710 Peterborough – Lincoln

¶ **Diversionsary use:** *used for some trains* for work on East Coast main line between Peterborough and Doncaster when diverted via Spalding and Lincoln

Watford North Junction - Watford East Junction [London Underground]

Mondays to Fridays:

0512/0516* Chesham – Watford

0608 Rickmansworth – Watford

0019 MO Watford – Rickmansworth

0049 TWThFO Watford – Rickmansworth

Saturdays:

0512/0516* Chesham – Watford

0049 Watford – Rickmansworth

[**notes:** see [LUL timetables](#) ► "Watford Tube guide"; LUL show after-midnight services as being the end of the previous day's service, not the start of the calendar day of operation; * = the earlier morning departure time applied during leaf fall season October – December]

Langley Junction (up) - Langley South Junction (via up Hertford spur) (016) YA02

[**note:** accessible only from Stevenage platform 1]

Principal use: Up trains to the Hertford North line from points north of Stevenage, and early morning starters from Stevenage worked from stabling points north thereof. *Most trains via Hertford North starting at Stevenage run via the reversible Down Hertford line, from platform 4 or 5.*

¶ **Diversionsary use:** Up through trains for work at Welwyn

Welwyn Garden City flyover (016) YA01

[**note:** accessible only from Welwyn Garden City platforms 3 and 4]

Most *starting up* local trains.

Ely North Junction - Ely West Junction (via west curve) (054) LB03

Sundays:

1M80 1553/1554 Norwich - Manchester Piccadilly

Shenfield - Mountnessing Junction (via reversible Southend Loop) (004) LA01

[**note:** accessible only from or to Shenfield platforms 4 and 5]

Principal use: Down local trains from Shenfield to the Southend line. *Most up trains, and down trains from other platforms, use the main lines.*

Colchester Junction - East Gate Junction (via Up & Down Avoiding Line) (006) LA02

[**note:** accessible only from or to platforms 1 and 2]

Principal use: Down trains to the Clacton line from originating points *south of* Colchester, plus other departures from Colchester to the Clacton line from platforms 1 or 2 (there are also a few Up arrivals from the Clacton line).

Manningtree North Junction - East Junction (006,012) LA02
Two round trips Ipswich (or beyond) ⇔ Harwich International, daily.

ENGLAND - SOUTH EAST (SOUTH)

Portsmouth & Southsea Low Level - Blackfriars Junction (157) WG03
Most trains terminating or starting at Portsmouth & Southsea.

Reading station, Caversham Road Junction - Oxford Road Junction (120,122) PA03
To or from the Reading West direction, at Reading station, platforms 1,2,3,7 and 8 accessible only by the Westbury Lines; platforms 4,5,6 and 9 not accessible; and platforms 10 to 15 accessible only by the Feeder Lines
Principal use of the Up Feeder Line: trains from the Newbury line to Paddington
Principal use of the Down Westbury Line: trains from Paddington to the Newbury line
At Reading West, if you can see signal T2802 at the Up end of platform 2 showing a "clear" aspect: no "feather" indicates use of Up Westbury line; "feather" position 1 indicates use of Feeder lines (M for main, R for relief); "feather" position 2 indicates west curve (D for down line, U for up line)

Reading East Main Junction, 8421 points - Reading Southern Junction (Reading Low Level line) (150) WH03

[**note:** accessible only to or from Reading platforms 13 to 15]

Departures from Reading towards Wokingham:

Mondays to Fridays:

0432, 0458, 0531, 0555, 0626/0627, 0651, 1920 (until 19 May 2023), 2333 (until 19 May 2023)

Saturdays:

0426/0432 *, 0522, 0600, 0619, 0701, 1334 (until 20 May 2023)

Sundays:

0739/0748 §, 0840/0848, 0918/0919/0921, 1442/1448/1451

Arrivals at Reading:

Mondays to Fridays:

1V58 1729 Gatwick Airport – Reading (until 19 May 2023)

2V02 1859 Redhill – Reading

2V75 2130 Shalford – Reading

1V66 2029 Gatwick Airport – Reading (until 19 May 2023)

2V76 2129 Gatwick Airport – Reading

2V81 2229 Gatwick Airport – Reading

Saturdays:

1V64 1929 Gatwick Airport – Reading

2V01 2014 Redhill – Reading

1V02/ 1V66 2029 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V68 2059 Gatwick Airport – Reading

2V76 2137 Redhill – Reading

2V82 2217 Gatwick Airport – Reading

Sundays:

1V37 0815 Gatwick Airport – Reading

2V48 1243/1244 Redhill – Reading

2V60 1743/1744 Redhill – Reading

2V62 1843/1844 Redhill – Reading

2V64 1943/1944 Redhill – Reading

1V65 2015 Gatwick Airport – Reading

2V67 2103 Gatwick Airport – Reading (until 14 May 2023)

1V67 2115 Gatwick Airport – Reading (from 21 May 2023)

1V69 2218 Gatwick Airport – Reading §

2V71 2304 Gatwick Airport – Reading

¶ **Diversions use:** for work between Reading and Basingstoke

Sunday 15 January 2023:

CrossCountry trains between Reading and Southampton (*except where shown in next entry*)

[**notes:** * = runs instead via next entry on 18 January and 4 February; § = runs instead via next entry on 15 January and 12 February]

Reading New Junction - Reading Spur Junction (Reading Spur line) (150) WH03

[note: accessible only to or from Reading platforms 7 to 10]

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Reading and Basingstoke

Sunday 15 January 2023: See also items marked * and § in previous entry.

CrossCountry trains between Reading and Southampton

1M70 1640 Bournemouth – Stockport

1M78 1840 Bournemouth – Birmingham New Street

Addlestone Junction - Byfleet Junction (151) WH03

The Railway Touring Co's outward *Dorset Coast Express* alternate ThO in summer

Belmond British Pullman return excursions from Bristol/Bath to Victoria

Steam Dreams *Sunset Steam Express* from Victoria (1815) circular TO in summer

Belmond British Pullman The Dinner from Victoria (1845/1850) circular FO as advertised

Mondays to Saturdays:

1S77 2322 Waterloo - Woking (via Staines)

1S79 0022 MO Staines – Woking

1S08 0527 Woking - Waterloo (via Staines)

Sundays:

Hourly trains Staines ⇌ Woking

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Wimbledon and Weybridge

Stoats Nest Junction - Earlswood (via Quarry line) (178) WE01

Most trains London Victoria or East Croydon ⇌ Gatwick Airport *not* shown to call at Redhill. *Some exceptions - particularly overnight Gatwick Express services (when running) - run non-stop via Redhill.*

Sittingbourne Western Junction - Middle Junction (188) WA06 {limited service resumed 13 December 2022 (cancelled on 12 December)}

Mondays to Fridays from 13 December 2022:

2U91 0505 Gillingham (Kent) – Sheerness

Minster Station and West Junction - Minster South Junction (189) WA02

Mondays to Fridays:

2R99 1524 Dover Priory - Faversham

2W99 0705 Faversham – Ramsgate - Dover – Ashford

ENGLAND - SOUTH WEST

Coombe Junction (Coombe No. 1 ground frame) - Coombe Junction Halt (138) PC06

Mondays to Saturdays:

Trains shown to call at Coombe Junction Halt.

[note: all other trains reverse at Coombe No. 1 ground frame]

Bishops Lydeard - Norton Fitzwarren Junction [West Somerset Railway]

Summer use only - services Taunton - Bishops Lydeard operated by Great Western Railway: *service temporarily suspended throughout 2023 season.*

Through excursion trains to Minehead as advertised

Worle Junction - Uphill Junction (134) PC01

Trains Bristol ⇌ Bridgwater not shown to call at Weston-super-Mare use the direct line

Bristol Dr Days Junction - Feeder Bridge Junction (133) PC01

Mondays to Fridays:

2R23 1559 Filton Abbey Wood - Bath Spa (until 19 May 2023)

2R54 0706 Bath Spa – Filton Abbey Wood (from 22 May 2023)

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Reading and Patchway

Sundays 8 January and 5 February 2023:

1B15 0802 Paddington – Swansea

1L34 0755 Swansea - Paddington

1L42 0835 Swansea - Paddington

Saturdays and Sundays 15 to 23 July 2023:

Trains between Paddington and South Wales (reversing at Bristol Parkway)

Mondays to Thursdays 3 to 6 and 24 to 27 July 2023:

2G93 2317 Swindon – Gloucester

1B38 2249 Paddington - Swansea

Norchard Low Level - Norchard, Middle Forge Junction ground frame [Dean Forest Railway]

Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays as advertised:-

2L02 1030 WSSuO Norchard Low Level - Lydney Junction

2L04 1043 WO Norchard Low Level - Lydney Junction (dated)

[notes: all other 'normal' services - *including arrivals* - use Norchard High Level platform but see also **Regular but infrequent services**, below, for usage on special events days]

Clink Road Junction - Blatchbridge Junction (via Frome avoiding line) (135) PC02

Trains Reading ⇄ Taunton. *Exceptions: trains shown to call at Bristol Temple Meads or Bath Spa.*

Down *Night Riviera* sleepers normally use this route.

Heywood Road Junction - Fairwood Junction (via Westbury avoiding line) (135) PC02

Trains Reading ⇄ Taunton. *Exceptions: trains shown to call at Westbury, Bristol Temple Meads or Bath Spa, and Night Riviera sleepers.*

Westbury East Loop Junction Hawkeridge Junction PC02

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Reading and Bathampton

Saturdays 11 February and Sundays 8 January and 5 February 2023

Trains Reading ⇄ Bristol Temple Meads / South Wales

Sundays 21 May, 2 and 23 July 2023:

1C35 2300 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

1C36 2333 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

Mondays to Thursdays 29 May to 1 June and 10 to 13 July 2023:

1C38 2332 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

Laverstock North Junction - Laverstock South Junction (154) WG04 The Railway Touring Co's return *Dorset Coast Express* alternate Wednesdays or Thursdays in summer

¶ **Diversionsary use** by CrossCountry: for work between Worting Junction and Eastleigh

Mondays to Wednesdays 20 to 22 March, 12 to 14 June, and 4 to 6 September 2023:

1O34 1925 Manchester Piccadilly – Southampton Central

Worgret Junction - Norden [Swanage Railway] {one year's trial service from 4 April 2023}

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 4 April until 9 September 2023:

Four round trips each day - see Swanage Railway website.

Also through excursion trains to Swanage as advertised.

ENGLAND - WEST MIDLANDS

Stone Junction - Colwich Junction (66) CB03

Trains Stoke-on-Trent ⇄ Euston not shown to call at Stafford use the direct line

Searchlight Lane Junction - Heamies Bridge (065,076,220) CB03

The Up and Down Fast lines and the Up Slow line follow their established route through Norton Bridge but the Down Slow line is segregated – from Little Bridgeford Junction - on a separate alignment well to the west (there is no "junction" at Heamies Bridge where the Down Slow rejoins its old alignment). At Stafford, if the signal at the Down end of platforms 1, 3, 4 or 6 shows a "clear" aspect with route indication "S" (or platform 5 shows a "clear" aspect with no "feather") this indicates use of Down Slow line - a train running direct to Crewe would then use this route.

Principal use: Avanti West Coast hourly service Euston → West Midlands → Preston or beyond, departing Stafford xx.47. Also northbound *Caledonian Sleepers* (except when diverted via East Coast route - see *Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction* entry)

Norton Bridge Junction - Yarnfield Junction (Norton Bridge East Chord) (076) CB03

Trains Stafford ⇌ Stoke on Trent - especially when running to or from the Birmingham line - normally use the double track flyover route between Little Bridgeford Junction and Yarnfield Junction, but the former Up line is retained as a reversible single track.

Saturdays:

2G30 0559 Crewe – Birmingham New Street

Sundays:

2G42 0905 Crewe - Birmingham New Street

2K42 0828 Birmingham New Street – Crewe

2K44 0852 Birmingham New Street - Crewe

1H22 0901 Birmingham New Street - Manchester Piccadilly

Stoke Works Junction - Abbotswood Junction (132) PB02

Trains Birmingham ⇌ Cheltenham Spa not shown to call at Worcester use the direct line *except those shown in the Galton Junction - Smethwick West entry (below)*

Bushbury Junction - Portobello Junction (076,220) CC04 *{from 11 December 2022 reduced to diversionary use only}*

¶ **Diversionary use only:** for work on Trent Valley line between Stafford and Rugby:

Sunday nights / Mondays mornings *(except when diverted via East Coast route from 19*

February 2023 - see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry):

1M11 2315 Glasgow Central - Euston (carries portion from Edinburgh)

1S26 2330 Euston - Glasgow Central (carries portion for Edinburgh)

Saturday 24 December 2022: work at Birmingham New Street:

CrossCountry trains Manchester ⇌ Birmingham until ca. 1500

[**note:** also usually used by CrossCountry if any work involves diversion via Bescot)

Daily 15 July until 23 July 2023, also Sundays 9 and 30 July 2023:

Trains between Euston and Stafford or beyond when not booked to call at Birmingham New Street.

Saturdays and Sundays 17 June to 2 July 2023:

CrossCountry trains between Manchester Piccadilly and Birmingham New Street

Wolverhampton Crane Street Junction - Portobello Junction - Darlaston Junction - Bescot Junction (065,068,069) CC04

This route is used by trains direct Tame Bridge Parkway ⇌ Wolverhampton (Tables 068 and 069) and will not be referred to in future, no longer being an obscure route.

Darlaston Junction - Pleck Junction (069) CC04

Once weekly service withdrawn after operation on Saturday 10 December 2022. This route will not be referred to in future.

Galton Junction - Smethwick West (074,132) CG04

Mondays to Fridays:

1M90 2058 Hereford - Birmingham New Street

1M79/1M80 2019 Paignton - Birmingham New Street

1M89 2145 Cardiff Central - Birmingham New Street

1V01 0500 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central

1V98 2259 Birmingham New Street - Worcester Foregate Street

Saturdays:

1V01 0500 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central

Soho South Junction - Perry Barr North Junction (069) CC04

[common with next entry between Soho East Junction and Perry Barr West Junction]

Most trains Birmingham New Street ⇌ Tame Bridge Parkway *not* shown to call at Aston, Witton or Perry Barr use this route.

Soho Curve North Junction – Perry Barr South Junction (068) CC04

[common with previous entry between Soho East Junction and Perry Barr West Junction]

¶ **Diversionary use only:** for work between Birmingham New Street and Soho Curve North Junction

Saturday 24 December 2022:

London Northwestern Railway trains Liverpool ⇌ Birmingham until ca. 1500

Saturdays and Sundays 17 June to 2 July 2023:

Trains between Wolverhampton and Birmingham New Street (excludes *CrossCountry*).

Birmingham Grand Junction - St Andrew's Junction - Bordesley Junction - Small Heath South Junction (115) CG02 [common with next entry between Grand Junction and Bordesley Junction]
CrossCountry trains Birmingham New Street ⇔ Leamington Spa *not* shown to call at Birmingham International or Coventry:

Mondays to Fridays until 19 May 2023:

1E40 1228 Banbury – Newcastle
1E48 1430 Banbury - Birmingham New Street
1V85 0835 Newcastle – Banbury
1V87 1035 Newcastle – Banbury

Mondays to Saturdays from 22 May 2023: ‡ ‡

1E79 0645 Reading – Newcastle
1E40 1145 Reading – York
1E52 1445 Reading – Newcastle
1E56 1543/1545 Reading – York
1E64 1744/1745 Reading – Newcastle
1V83 0623/0624 Newcastle – Reading
1V85 0835 Newcastle – Reading
1V87 1035 Newcastle – Reading
1V89 1233/1236 Newcastle – Reading
1V96 1637 SO York – Reading

Sundays from 21 May 2023: ‡ ‡

1V34 1421 Sheffield – Reading

¶ **Diversions use:** for work between Leamington Spa and Coventry:

Daily 29 July until 6 August, also Saturday 23 September and Sundays 17 September until 1 October 2023:

CrossCountry trains Birmingham ⇔ Leamington Spa

[note: ‡ ‡ = not running south of Banbury or Oxford until 10 June]

Birmingham Grand Junction - St Andrew's Junction - Bordesley Junction - Lifford East Junction - Kings Norton Junction (056,132) CC02 [common with previous entry between Grand Junction and Bordesley Junction]

Mondays to Fridays:

1M05 0836/0842 Great Malvern - Birmingham New Street
1S39 0620/0627 Plymouth – Edinburgh
1M29 0900 Bristol Temple Meads – Manchester Piccadilly (from 22 May 2023)
1S43 1036 Bristol Temple Meads - Glasgow Central (until 19 May 2023)
1M45 1300 Bristol Temple Meads – Manchester Piccadilly (from 22 May 2023)
1M49 1153 Plymouth/1400 Bristol Temple Meads - Birmingham New Street
1M53 1500 Bristol Temple Meads – Birmingham New Street (until 19 May 2023)
1M61 1438 Paignton – Manchester Piccadilly (from 22 May 2023)
1M93 1600 Bristol Temple Meads – Manchester Piccadilly
1M83 1827 Plymouth - Birmingham New Street
1M87 2105/2106 Cardiff Central - Birmingham New Street
1V02 0537 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central
1V43 0742 Birmingham New Street - Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V45 0703 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads
1V47 0803 Manchester Piccadilly – Paignton (from 22 May 2023)
1V49 0903 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V51 1003 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V53 1103 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V55 1203 Manchester Piccadilly/1342 Birmingham New Street - Bristol Temple Meads
1V57 1303 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V59 1403 Manchester Piccadilly/1542 Birmingham New Street – Paignton
1V61 1503 Manchester Piccadilly/1642 Birmingham New Street – Bristol Temple Meads/Plymouth
1V63 1603 Manchester Piccadilly– Bristol Temple Meads (from 22 May 2023)
1V65 1703 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads

Saturdays:

1V02 0542 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central
1V43 0742 Birmingham New Street - Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)

1V45 0703 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads
1V47 0803 Manchester Piccadilly – Paignton (from 27 May 2023)
1V49 0903 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads
1V51 1003 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)
1V53 1103 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)
1V55 1203 Manchester Piccadilly/ 1342 Birmingham New Street - Bristol Temple Meads
1V57 1303 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)
1V59 1403 Manchester Piccadilly – Paignton (from 27 May 2023)
1V61 1503 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)
1V63 1603 Manchester Piccadilly– Bristol Temple Meads (from 27 May 2023)
1V65 1703 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol Temple Meads
1M03 0955 Worcester Shrub Hill – Birmingham New Street (from 27 May 2023)

Lichfield Trent Valley High Level - Wichnor Junction (056) CC02

Sundays until 21 May and from 20 August 2023:

1V48 0811 Leeds – Plymouth

¶ **Diversions use:** for work between Wichnor Junction and Birmingham

Saturday 11 February and Sundays 12 February until 5 March, also Sundays 20 August until 3 September 2023:

Trains Birmingham ⇔ Chesterfield

[**note:** Route not available 27 May to 17 August 2023, incl.]

Aston South Junction - Stechford South Junction (065,220) CC04

¶ **Diversions use only:** for work on Trent Valley line between Stafford and Rugby:

Sunday nights / Mondays mornings (except when diverted via East Coast route from 19

February 2023 - see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry):

1M11 2315 Glasgow Central - Euston (carries portion from Edinburgh)

1S26 2330 Euston - Glasgow Central (carries portion for Edinburgh)

Saturday 24 December 2022: work at Birmingham New Street:

Avanti West Coast trains Birmingham International ⇔ Wolverhampton and beyond until ca. 1500

Daily 15 July until 23 July 2023, also Sundays 9 and 30 July 2023:

Trains between Euston and Stafford or beyond when not booked to call at Birmingham New Street.

Kingsbury Junction - Whitacre Junction (056) CC01

Mondays to Fridays:

1G90 2136 Nottingham - Birmingham New Street

1E73 1723 Plymouth/ 1935 Bristol Temple Meads – Leeds

1M85 1950 Cardiff Central – Nottingham

Saturdays:

1G90 2137 Nottingham - Birmingham New Street

Sundays:

1V48 0811 Leeds – Plymouth (28 May until 6 August 2023)

1V50 0900 Leeds - Bristol Temple Meads

¶ **Diversions use:** for work between Kingsbury Junction and Birmingham

Saturdays 11 February until 4 March, and Sundays 19 February until 5 March 2023:

Trains Coleshill Parkway ⇔ Derby (connecting with buses to/from Birmingham)

Sundays 20 August until 3 September 2023:

Trains Birmingham ⇔ Nottingham

Saturdays 19 and 26 August, and 2 September 2023:

Trains Birmingham ⇔ Chesterfield

Nuneaton North Junction – Nuneaton Abbey Junction (065) CJ04

¶ **Diversions use only:** for work between Rugby and Birmingham New Street *but southbound (Up) trains in practice usually ran via flyover and Nuneaton platform 6* or between Bushbury Junction and Stafford

Hatton North Junction - Hatton West Junction (073) CG03

Trains Stratford-upon-Avon ⇔ Dorridge

ENGLAND - YORKSHIRE & HUMBERSIDE

Clitheroe - Hellifield Junction - see *England - North West section*

Northallerton East Junction - Boroughbridge Road - Longlands Junction (040) YA03/YD01
Trains York ⇌ Middlesbrough not shown to call at Northallerton usually use this route:

Mondays to Fridays:

1N23 1525/1527 Kings Cross – Middlesbrough

1Y80 0708 Middlesbrough – Kings Cross

Sundays:

1P77 1336 Manchester Airport / 1357/1415 Manchester Victoria - Saltburn

1P80 1549 Saltburn - Manchester Victoria/Manchester Airport

1A94 2311 Saltburn – York

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Northallerton and Newcastle

Leeds, Whitehall East Junction - Engine Shed Junction YE02/YG04

West Coast Railways' *Scarborough Spa Express* "north route" alternate ThO in summer

Calder Bridge Junction - Turners Lane Junction (028) YE05

2N37 2315 FO Sheffield – Leeds

1E75 1827 SuO Plymouth – Leeds

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Hare Park Junction and Leeds

Tuesday to Friday mornings 10 to 20 January, 14 February to 3 March, 22 to 25 May, 5 to 29 June, and 3 to 6 July 2023:

1D36 2333 (previous night) Kings Cross – Leeds

Hare Park Junction - Crofton West Junction (020,028,096) YE05

Grand Central services Kings Cross ⇌ Bradford Interchange (on table 020) **not** shown to call at Pontefract Monkhill **plus:**

Mondays to Fridays:

2N37 2315 Sheffield – Leeds

Sundays:

1E75 1827 Plymouth - Leeds

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work on Hope Valley line:

Monday nights/Tuesday mornings to Friday nights/Saturday mornings:

1B52 2331 Manchester Airport – Sheffield

1B59 0319 Sheffield - Manchester Airport (except Saturdays 5 August to 21 October 2023)

Saturdays except 5 August to 21 October 2023:

1B52 2313 Manchester Piccadilly – Sheffield

Sheffield: Park Square triangle, east chord [Stagecoach Supertram]

Blue and Purple route trams **from** Cricket Inn Road **to** Halfway or Herdings Park:

Mondays to Fridays: 0507, 0517, 0523, 0543, 0633, 0652

Saturdays: 0510, 0517, 0530, 0822, 0842

Sundays: 0722, 0725, 0742, 0755, 0801

Late evening trams **to** Cricket Inn Road, timed at Sheffield Station-Hallam University at the following times (but **not** timed at Castle Square or Cathedral):

Sunday nights/Monday mornings: 2356, 0009, 0026

Tuesday mornings to Sunday mornings: 0005, 0019, 0046

Woodburn Junction - Tinsley North Junction [- Rotherham Central Junction] (021) YE07

Mondays to Fridays:

1B59 0320 MX Sheffield – Manchester Airport

1E73 1935 Bristol Temple Meads – Leeds

1B52 2331 Manchester Airport – Sheffield

Saturdays until 29 July and from 28 October 2023:

1B59 0319 Sheffield – Manchester Airport

[**note:** section between Tinsley North Junction and Rotherham Central Junction also used by Sheffield Supertram tram trains]

Aldwarke North Junction - Rotherham Masborough - Holmes Junction (021,028) YE01

[common with next entry between Aldwarke North Junction and Rotherham Masborough (North Station) Junction]

Trains Sheffield ⇄ Doncaster or Leeds *not* shown to call at Rotherham Central or Barnsley.
Exceptions: a few early morning or late evening trains run non-stop via Rotherham Central.

Aldwarke North Junction - Rotherham Masborough - Beighton Junction YE01

[common with previous entry between Aldwarke North Junction and Rotherham Masborough (North Station) Junction]

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** when work on East Coast Main Line precludes services running to/from King's Cross, Hull Trains' trains *may* be diverted to/from St.Pancras International via this route, as on 8 January, 18 and 19 February, 24 and 25 June, 27 August and 3 December 2023.

Woodhouse Junction - Beighton Junction (53) YE07

All trains in Beighton Junction - Tapton Junction entry except those in the previous entry running via Rotherham - *see England - East Midlands section*

Beighton Junction - Tapton Junction - *see England - East Midlands section*

Aldwarke North Junction - Thrybergh Junction - Mexborough East Junction (021) YE01

Mondays to Fridays:

1B62 0554 Sheffield – Cleethorpes (until 19 June 2023)
1B92 1919 Liverpool Lime Street – Cleethorpes
1B96 2119 Liverpool Lime Street – Cleethorpes
1B63 0536 Doncaster – Liverpool Lime Street
1B65 0504 Cleethorpes – Liverpool Lime Street
1J42 0653 Scarborough – Sheffield
1J52 1702 Scarborough – Sheffield
1J55 2000 Scarborough – Sheffield
1B97 2124 Cleethorpes – Sheffield (until 19 June 2023)
1J96 2245 Hull – Sheffield
2R29 2349 Doncaster – Sheffield

Saturdays:

1B92 1919 Liverpool Lime Street – Cleethorpes
1B63 0536 Doncaster – Liverpool Lime Street
1B65 0504 Cleethorpes – Liverpool Lime Street
1J42 0653 Scarborough – Sheffield
1J52 1702 Scarborough – Sheffield

¶ **Diversionsary use:**

when work on East Coast Main Line precludes services running to/from King's Cross, Hull Trains' trains *may* be diverted to/from St.Pancras International via this route, as on 8 January, 18 and 19 February, 24 and 25 June, 27 August and 3 December 2023.

Milford Junction - Burton Salmon Junction (site) - Castleford (039) YE04

This section gains a regular TPE service of four trains each way Manchester ⇄ Huddersfield ⇄ Castleford ⇄ York from December 2023 and then no longer qualifies as an obscure route.

West Coast Railways' *Scarborough Spa Express* ThO in summer

West Coast Railways' *The Dalesman* York - Carlisle alternate ThO in summer

Mondays to Fridays:

1P03 0038 MX Manchester Airport – York
1P05 0242 MX Manchester Piccadilly – York
1U27 0720 Leeds – Scarborough (from 22 May 2023)
1U79 2019/2020 Leeds – Scarborough
1K37 2223 Leeds – Hull
1P41 2042 Manchester Piccadilly - York
1P95 2240/2244 Manchester Airport – York
1P97 2340/2342 FX Manchester Airport – York
1P04 0138 MX York - Manchester Airport (until 19 May 2023)
1P06 0235 MX York - Manchester Airport
1P56 0503 York - Manchester Airport
9M05 0426 MX Newcastle – Liverpool Lime Street
1U72 1748 Scarborough – Leeds

1K36 2103 Hull - Leeds

Saturdays:

1P03 0038 Manchester Airport – York

1U79 2019/2020 Leeds – Scarborough

1P39 1854 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (5 August to 21 October 2023)

1P41 2042 Manchester Piccadilly – York (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

1K37 2159 Huddersfield/2223 Leeds – Hull

1E63 1527 Plymouth – York

1P04 0138 York - Manchester Airport (until 20 May 2023)

1P56 0503 York - Manchester Airport

1U72 1748 Scarborough – Leeds

9M05 0426 Newcastle – Liverpool Lime Street

1V46 0611 York – Plymouth (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

1K36 2103 Hull – Leeds (except 5 August to 21 October 2023)

Sundays:

1U72 1742 Scarborough – Leeds

1U79 2027 Leeds – Scarborough

Milford Junction – Gascoigne Wood (022) YG04

Mondays to Saturdays:

1K36 2103 Hull – Leeds (except Saturdays 5 August to 21 October 2023)

1K37 2159 Huddersfield/2223 Leeds - Hull

Ferrybridge North Junction - Moorthorpe (030) YE01

Northern stopping trains Sheffield ⇌ York

[**note:** daily service notionally resumed 11 December 2022 but during first week ran only on Monday 12 December]

Ferrybridge North Junction - Knottingley West Junction (020) YE01

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for works between Shaftholme Junction and Hambleton Junctions

Milford Junction - Burton Salmon Junction (site) - Ferrybridge North Junction (020,030,050) YE01

All trains in previous two entries.

Sherburn Junction - Milford Junction (020,030,050) YG04

All trains in previous three entries and in Milford Junction - Castleford entry

Gascoigne Wood - Sherburn Junction (022) YG04

Mondays to Saturdays:

Trains Selby ⇌ Sherburn-in-Elmet.

York Holgate Junction - York Yard South - York Yard North - Skelton Junction (020) YA03

Mondays to Fridays:

1S91 0545/0548 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S93 1045 Kings Cross – Edinburgh

1S97 1448 Kings Cross – Edinburgh

Saturdays:

1S91 0545 Kings Cross – Edinburgh

1S93 1025 Kings Cross – Edinburgh (from 27 May 2023)

1S97 1548 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S99 1827 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

[**notes:** services by East Coast Trains Ltd (TOC code LD) trading as Lumo; Lumo's other trains ran via York station, non-stop or without public stop]

¶ **Diversionsary use:** work at north end of York station

27 December 2022 until 1 January 2023:

Trains York ⇌ Newcastle

Hambleton North Junction - East Junction (022) YG04

Non-stop trains York ⇌ Selby.

Hambleton South Junction - West Junction (028) YG04

Saturdays:

1A13 0656 Skipton - Kings Cross

¶ **Diversiory use:** for work between Doncaster and Leeds

Shaftholme Junction - Knottingley West Junction (020) YA03

Grand Central services Kings Cross ⇔ Bradford Interchange shown to call at Pontefract Monkhill

¶ **Diversiory use:** for work between Doncaster and Leeds or between Shaftholme Junction and Hambleton Junctions

Knottingley - Potters Grange Junction (032) YE05

One and a half round trips Goole ⇔ Knottingley, Mondays to Saturdays.

Doncaster Flyover East Junction - Loversall Carr Junction (Up line) (020) YA03

[**note:** accessible only from Doncaster platforms 3b, 4, 5 or 8]

Mondays to Fridays:

1Y00 0440 York - Kings Cross

1A15 0737 Harrogate - Kings Cross

1A45 1745 Leeds - Kings Cross

Sundays:

1A25 1045 Leeds - Kings Cross

¶ **Diversiory use:** for work between Doncaster and Loversall Carr Junction

Loversall Carr Junction - Doncaster Flyover West Junction (Down line) (020) YA03

Mondays to Fridays:

1D05 0803 Kings Cross - Leeds

1D20 1533 Kings Cross - Harrogate

1H10 1718 Kings Cross - Hull

1N35 2200 Kings Cross - Newcastle

Sundays:

1H02 1049 Kings Cross - Hull

¶ **Diversiory use:** for work between Doncaster and Loversall Carr Junction

Doncaster Black Carr Junction - Bessacarr Junction (59) YE07

[**note:** accessible only by trains to/from Doncaster platforms 1, 2 or 3, using the Up (East) Slow line from/to Black Carr Junction]

Saturdays until 20 May 2023:

2K27 2046 Doncaster - Sleaford (*although still booked this route until Saturday 20 May 2023, train was unlikely to have done so since 14 May 2022 because inward train was booked to platform 5*)

¶ **Diversiory use:** southbound East Coast main-line trains when diverted via Lincoln

Tuesday and Wednesday 16 and 17 May 2023:

Trains from Doncaster to Peterborough

Gainsborough - Wrawby Junction - see England - East Midlands section

IRELAND

Limerick Junction: Kyle crossing points - Milltown crossing points (via Limerick Junction Loop [avoiding line]) (02)

Through trains Dublin Heuston ⇔ Limerick, running non-stop Thurles (or north thereof) ⇔ Limerick

Mondays to Saturdays:

A403 0640 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A405 0740 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A406 1530 Dublin Heuston - Limerick

A410 1725 Dublin Heuston - Limerick

Sundays:

A401 0825 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A403 1025 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A405 1225 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A407 1420 Limerick - Dublin Heuston

A409 1620 Limerick - Dublin Heuston
A411 1820 Limerick - Dublin Heuston
A400 1125 Dublin Heuston - Limerick
A402 1325 Dublin Heuston - Limerick
A404 1525 Dublin Heuston - Limerick
A406 1825 Dublin Heuston - Limerick
A408 1925 Dublin Heuston - Limerick
A410 2110 Dublin Heuston - Limerick

Kilkenny: Lavistown South Junction - Lavistown North Junction (04)

Fridays and Saturdays:

A515 1605 FSO Waterford - Dublin Heuston
A518 1615 FO Dublin Heuston - Waterford

Dublin O'Connell Street Upper - Parnell Street [LUAS] {existing facility, opened 9 December 2017}

Northbound Green Line LUAS cars on short workings turn back using the south-to-east curve between O'Connell Street Upper and Parnell Street stops.

Dublin Connolly (platform 7) - Newcomen Junction {service restored 12 December 2022}

Mondays to Fridays:

P752 1626 Maynooth - Connolly

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Connolly and Glasnevin Junction via Drumcondra

[**note:** see also **Regular but infrequent services**, below]

[Kilmeadan -] Carriganore - Gracedieu [Waterford & Suir Valley Railway]

[common with next entry]

Saturdays:

Trains normally run between Kilmeadan and Carriganore, but on Saturdays they extend to Gracedieu (adjacent to the toll plaza for the Thomas Francis Meagher Bridge, just short of site of former Grace Dieu Junction). *Neither Carriganore nor Grace Dieu is a joining or alighting point.*

[Kilmeadan - Carriganore -] Gracedieu - Bilberry [Waterford & Suir Valley Railway]

[common with previous entry between Kilmeadan and Gracedieu]

Thursdays 6 July until 24 August 2023:

1900 Kilmeadan - Bilberry and return *Sunset Express* excursion

NORTHERN IRELAND

Belfast City Junction - Central Junction

Trains Belfast Lanyon Place ⇔ Lisburn or Portadown **not** shown to call at (Belfast) Great Victoria Street

[**notes:** Despite Belfast Central station having been renamed Lanyon Place, other operating locations carrying the "Central" name - such as Central Junction - have not been renamed.]

Whitehead Excursion Platform (RPSI) - Whitehead [Railway Preservation Society of Ireland]

Railway Preservation Society of Ireland excursions departing/arriving at their Whitehead Excursion platform, as advertised. Steam operations using this connection suspended from spring 2023 (last ran 18 December 2022); dmu excursions ran on (at least) Sunday 20 August 2023.

SCOTLAND

Maryhill Park Junction - Knightswood North Junction (218) GA12

Trains Glasgow Queen Street high level ⇔ West Highland line.

Cowlairs North Junction - Cowlairs East Junction (218) GA12

Summer service withdrawn after operation on 28 August 2022

¶ **Diversionsary use only** as alternative route for Fort William sleeper service

Springburn (Sighthill West Junction) - Cowlairs South Junction (208) GC02B

This route is covered by trains which use Glasgow Queen Street **high level** platforms, as shown in Table 208, whereas trains Springburn ⇄ Glasgow Queen Street **low level** travel via Bellgrove.

Coatbridge Junction - Langloan Junction (220) GA02/GA11

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** work at Carstairs:

Nights of Mondays to Thursdays 6 March until 16 May; Fridays 17 February until 2 June, and Sundays 26 February until 18 June 2023:

1M11 2145/2152 Glasgow Central – Euston/Kings Cross

1S26/1S72 2115/2130/2134/2139/2345 Euston/2247/2322 Kings Cross – Glasgow Central

Newton Station East - Newton East Junction (Newton South Connecting Line) (065) GA08

Saturdays:

1M19 0426 Glasgow Central – Euston

[**note:** Subject to change or cancellation during Carstairs works 4 March until 16 April 2023]

Mossend East Junction - Mossend North Junction (065) GA01

Mondays to Saturdays:

1M73 0745 SX Glasgow Central – Preston

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central

[**note:** Subject to change and cancellation during Carstairs works 4 March until 16 April 2023]

Mossend South Junction - Mossend East Junction (065,209) GA01

Mondays to Saturdays:

2Y76 0559 Motherwell – Edinburgh

1D63 2313 SX Edinburgh – Motherwell (from 6 March until 19 May 2023)

1D63 2313 SO Edinburgh – Motherwell (until 20 May 2023)

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work between Law Junction, Motherwell and Uddingston in conjunction with next entry

Holytown Junction - Wishaw Central Junction (065,209) GA01

Mondays to Fridays:

1C05 0739 Carstairs / 0750 Wishaw – Garscadden

1S34 0520 Wolverhampton – Glasgow Central

1S37 0531 Euston - Glasgow Central

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central (until 3 March 2023)

1M80 0422/0452 Glasgow Central - Manchester Airport (until 3 March and from 22 May 2023)

1R22 0428 Glasgow Central – Euston

1M73 0745 Glasgow Central – Preston /Liverpool Lime Street

1C06 1737 Anderston - Wishaw / Carstairs

Saturdays:

1S34 0520/0523 Wolverhampton – Glasgow Central (until 25 February and from 27 May 2023)

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central (until 25 February and from 27 May 2023)

1M80 0452 Glasgow Central - Manchester Airport (until 25 February and from 27 May 2023)

1M19 0426 Glasgow Central – Euston

[**note:** through services Glasgow ⇄ Carlisle or beyond diverted or cancelled during Carstairs works 4 March until 16 April 2023]

¶ **Diversionsary use:** work between Law Junction, Motherwell and Uddingston in conjunction with previous entry

Law Junction - Shieldmuir Junction (065,209) GA01

Avanti West Coast, TransPennine Express, CrossCountry and London North Eastern trains Edinburgh or Carlisle ⇄ Motherwell *unless shown in previous entry*. ScotRail trains Carstairs ⇄ Motherwell **not** shown to call at Wishaw. These were subject to change or cancellation during Carstairs works 4 March until 16 April 2023

Dalmeny Junction - Winchburgh Junction (215) GC04 {diversionary use from 12 December 2022 until 18 May 2023}

¶ **Diversionsary use only from 12 December 2022 until 18 May 2023:** work between Dalmeny, Saughton Jn (site) and Haymarket West Jn

Mondays to Thursdays:

1L36 2231 Dundee – Edinburgh

Sundays:

2K16 2258 Glenrothes with Thornton - Edinburgh

[note: booked to reverse (unadvertised) at Linlithgow]

Thornton North Junction - Thornton West Junction (215) GC04

Mondays to Fridays:

1L60 0600 Perth - Edinburgh

1L64 0700 Perth – Edinburgh

2L19 2318 Edinburgh/2343 Inverkeithing – Perth

Saturdays:

1L60 0600 Perth - Edinburgh

Sundays:

2G28 0936 Perth – Edinburgh

2G39 1855 Edinburgh – Perth

[note: trains use platform 2 at Glenrothes with Thornton]

Thornton South Junction - Thornton West Junction (215) GC04

Mondays to Fridays:

2K08 0729 Glenrothes with Thornton – Edinburgh

2K11 1711 Edinburgh - Glenrothes with Thornton

Sundays:

Twice hourly circular service Edinburgh ⇔ Glenrothes with Thornton

[note: trains use platform 1 at Glenrothes with Thornton]

Slateford Junction - Craiglockhart Junction - Portobello Junction (209) GC01

Mondays to Fridays until 19 May 2023:

1C99 2105 Glasgow Central – Edinburgh

Regular service withdrawn from 22 May 2023

¶ **Diversionsary use:** when East Coast main line trains are diverted via Carlisle, used for trains to/from east end of Waverley station

WALES

Carmarthen Junction - Carmarthen Bridge Junction (126) PB04

Mondays to Saturdays:

2E18 0814/0817 SX Swansea – Fishguard Harbour

1B96 1058 Swansea - Fishguard Harbour

¶ **Diversionsary use:**

Sunday 3 July:

Trains between Swansea and Whitland, avoiding Carmarthen

Briton Ferry, Court Sart Junction/Up Flying Loop Junction - Morlais Junction (Swansea District line) (126) PB09

Mondays to Fridays:

1V95/1B95 1040 Holyhead/1513 Cardiff Central – Llanelli

1B62 2218 MTWThO Cardiff Central – Carmarthen

1B97 1250 Fishguard Harbour - Cardiff Central

[note: see also **Regular but infrequent services**, below]

Landore Junction - Swansea Loop West Junction (126) PB04

Saturdays:

1B97 1241 Fishguard Harbour - Cardiff Central

Sundays:

1B97 1240 Fishguard Harbour - Cardiff Central

1E16 1204 Cardiff Central - Milford Haven

[note: trains in previous entry may use this route on occasion to suit operating convenience]

Margam East Junction - Margam Moors Junction via OVE (Ogmore Vale Extension) line (126) PB03

Mondays to Fridays:

1B38 2248/2249 Paddington - Swansea

1L01 0346 Swansea – Paddington

Leckwith Loop North Junction - Leckwith Loop South Junction (Leckwith Loop) (126) PB03

Mondays to Fridays:

1L01 0346 Swansea – Paddington

2L58 1315 Maesteg - Cardiff Central (from 22 May 2023)

2B39/2B80 1850 MTWThO Carmarthen – Cardiff Central (also Fridays from 26 May 2023)

1B41 1915 Milford Haven - Cardiff Central

1B98 2010 Tenby - Cardiff Central

1B51 0535 Cardiff Central - Milford Haven

2L41 0554 Cardiff Central – Maesteg

1B53 0624/0631 Cardiff Central - Pembroke Dock

2B99 2315 Cardiff Central – Carmarthen

1B36 2148 Paddington – Swansea

Saturdays:

2L58 1314 Maesteg - Cardiff Central (from 27 May 2023)

1B97 1241 Fishguard Harbour - Cardiff Central

Sundays:

1B43 0804 Cardiff Central – Swansea

2B94 2135 Milford Haven – Cardiff Central (from 21 May 2023)

Park Junction – Gaer Junction (Newport) (128) PB08 {temporary new entry from 10 March 2023}

Sundays:

[Cardiff ⇄] Newport ⇄ Ebbw Vale Town service (*weekday services temporarily withdrawn*)

Maindee North Junction – Maindee East Junction (131) PB07

¶ **Diversionary use only:** for work between Maindee North Junction and Newport

Monday/Tuesday night to Thursday/Friday nights to Thursday/Friday nights: 16/17 to 19/20 January (week 42) then every fourth week:

1V64 1930 Manchester Piccadilly – Cardiff Central

1V66 2030 Manchester Piccadilly – Cardiff Central

1V99 2309 Shrewsbury – Cardiff Central

2B01 0024/0027 Cardiff Central - Hereford

1W11 0417/0422 Cardiff Central – Manchester Piccadilly

Wrexham General (former GWR side, platform 3) - Wrexham Exchange Junction (successor to WM&CQR [later LNER] - S&CR [later GWR] link line) (081) CF04

In normal operation, the first departure (first two on Sundays) **from** Wrexham General to Bidston and last arrival (plus third from last on Sundays) **at** Wrexham General from Bidston use this connection.

Regular but infrequent services

Briton Ferry, Court Sart Junction / Up Flying Loop Junction - Hendy Junction (Swansea District line)

Excursions from South Wales via this route to The Royal Welsh Show, held near Builth, each year in late July: 2023 dates: 24 – 27 July:

2M99 0657 Cardiff Central – Builth Road

2M54 1818 Builth Road – Cardiff Central

[**note:** trains cancelled on 24 and 25 July 2023]

Tyseley Locomotive Works, Warwick Road Platform - Small Heath South Junction

Vintage Trains advertised 'main line' excursions used this branch until November 2022, *apart from their Shakespeare Express service and other trains where specially noted*. The platform has also been used for 'internal' shuttles on Tyseley Locomotive Works open days - see further entry in next section, below.

Dublin Connolly (platform 7) - Newcomen Junction

This route is used if the route via Drumcondra is blocked. At the conclusion of the All-Ireland Hurling and Football finals (and, sometimes, semi-finals), usually held at Croke Park on Sundays mid-July or August, or other games, if a Maynooth local or local special train is to be held at Drumcondra station to load passengers after a match, depending on throw in or kick off time, A906 1600 SuO or A908 1710 SuO Connolly - Sligo may be diverted via this route to overtake. The only dates on which this applied in 2023 were 26 March (A906) and 28 May (A906). With the route now enjoying regular weekday use – as shown under IRELAND, above - this entry will not appear in future.

Occasional opportunities...

The following sections of preserved railways over which no regular public services operate are known to have been used occasionally by special services open to the public. Unless specially noted below, there does not appear to be *consistent* or *regular* public use.

Embsay - Bow Bridge loop [[*Embsay & Bolton Abbey Steam Railway*](#)]: trains use this section if stock blocks the loop line at Embsay.

Moor Road (Leeds) station - Balm Road loop [[*Middleton Railway*](#)]: the railway is authorised to operate passenger trains over this line on a limited number of occasions each year. On two weekends in recent seasons trains have used this section, some trains being freight trains carrying passengers. (2023 date: 17 September)

Barrow Hill Roundhouse Railway Centre - connection with Network Rail; Roundhouse platform - Springwell [[*Barrow Hill Engine Shed Society*](#)]: the Springwell service usually operates on event days

Swithland Sidings - Nunckley Hill Platform – Mountsorrel Halt [[*Mountsorrel & Rothley Community Heritage Centre*](#)]: as advertised on their and Great Central Railway websites:

Saturdays 29 July and 26 August 2023

1025 Loughborough [GC] – Mountsorrel Halt
1155, 1350 and 1525 Quorn – Mountsorrel Halt
1105, 1225, 1420 Mountsorrel Halt – Quorn
1555 Mountsorrel Halt – Loughborough [GC]

Thursdays 3 until 24 August 2023

1015, 1210, 1415 Loughborough [GC] – Mountsorrel Halt
1100, 1300, 1500 Mountsorrel Halt – Loughborough [GC]
See [this GCR webpage](#) for branch dmu service on these dates

¶ **Diversionsary use** for work on GCR line between Swithland Sidings and Loughborough:

Saturdays and Sundays 25/26 February until 25/26 March 2023

Great Central Railway dmu service Leicester North ⇔ Mountsorrel Halt

Swanwick Junction - end of line at Greenhill [[*Midland Railway Trust*](#)]

Tyseley Locomotive Works internal trackage [[*Tyseley Locomotive Works*](#)]: on works open weekends but apparently not in 2023.

Norchard Low Level - Middle Forge Junction ground frame [[*Dean Forest Railway*](#)]: may be used on special events days - particularly on those when separate services are advertised: Norchard (high level) ⇔ Parkend and Norchard (low level) ⇔ Lydney Junction. Santa services operated from/to the high level platform, apart from the last train which returned to low level. Most regular trains at Norchard use the high level platform on the through line – see entry in Regular services section, above. Brake van tours use the high level platform.

Hayes Knoll – end of available track beyond South Meadow Lane level crossing [[*Swindon & Cricklade Railway*](#)]: on Gala Days as advertised (2023 dates: 15 April; 23 and 24 September).

Dereham - Hoe Road [[Mid Norfolk Railway](#)]

Sheringham North Norfolk Railway station - Sheringham Network Rail station [[North Norfolk Railway](#)]: NNR main line dining trains which used this link section have ceased and are unlikely to resume; this entry will be deleted in future.

Long(ue)ville Junction - Fletton Junction [[Nene Valley Railway](#)]: section out of passenger use, pending relaying, from summer 2022

Mangapps Railway Museum Southminster Road branch [[Mangapps Railway Museum](#)]

Barnstaple Junction (Norton Fitzwarren) – Pontispool Bridge stop block [[West Somerset Railway](#)]: a shuttle service may operate in conjunction with West Somerset Railway Association special events such as Steam & Vintage Rally (2023 dates: 5-6 August).

Horsted Keynes - limit of former line towards Ardingly [[Bluebell Railway](#)]

Bodiam - Junction Road and Robertsbridge - Robertsbridge Northbridge Street [[Rother Valley Railway](#)]: Bodiam – Junction Road used in conjunction with K&ESR *Steam up!* 27 - 29 May 2023

Goosefield Sidings - Haven Street [[Isle of Wight Steam Railway](#)] have no plans to offer brake van rides, or other passenger journeys in either Goosefield or Griffins sidings; this entry will be deleted in future.

Llangollen Goods Junction - Pentrefelin Sidings gate and to former Goods yard (Diesel road) [[Llangollen Railway](#)]: look for any Diesel Weekend brake van trips (2023 dates: 16 and 17 September)

Downpatrick - Loop Platform - Magnus Grave (former King Magnus's Halt ("King's Halt")) - present end of line towards Ballydugan (Ringreagh) [[Downpatrick & County Down Railway](#)]: the use of some part of this line - to serve the Loop Platform – used to apply for their Halloween and Christmas services, but has not done so from 2020 onward. The “Circus Train” operated to Magnus Grave station on 26 and 27 August and the “Phantom Flyer” did so on 28 and 29 October 2023.

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