

Passenger Train Services over Unusual Lines

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

2025

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

Unless otherwise indicated, trains operate from Sunday 15 December 2024 until Saturday 13 December 2025. All dates quoted are 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.

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 usually every sixth week:

evenings of Mondays to Fridays 3 to 7 February, 17 to 21 March, 28 April to 2 May, 9 to 13 June and 21 to 25 July 2025:

1D86 2235 St.Pancras International - Derby

1F87 2304 St Pancras International – Derby (*not 7 Feb*)

1D88 2335 St Pancras International – Derby (*not 7 Feb*)

mornings of Tuesdays to Fridays 4 to 8 February, 18 to 22 March, 29 April to 2 May, 10 to 13 June and 22 to 25 July 2025

1C01 0348/0350/0358 SSuX Derby – St. Pancras International

1B04 0427/0428 SSuX Derby – St. Pancras International

1C05 0438 Sheffield – St. Pancras International)

Saturday mornings 22 March, 3 May and 26 July 2025:

1C02 0341/0426 and *1B04* 0351/0436/0440 Derby – St.Pancras International

Beighton Junction - Tapton Junction (050,052) YE01

Mondays to Fridays:

1M00 1807 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 0521 Nottingham – Liverpool Lime Street

1F00 0550 Leicester – Sheffield

¶ **Diversionary use:**

Monday to Friday 6 to 10 January and Sunday 27 April 2025:

Trains Sheffield from/to Chesterfield

Saturday 29 March 2025:

Northbound trains Chesterfield to Sheffield

Saturdays and Sundays 25, 26 January, 1 and 2 February, 17 and 18 May, 15 June and 24 August 2025:

Hull Trains' trains Hull from/to St.Pancras International

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

Mondays to Fridays:

2D30 2359 Mansfield Woodhouse - Nottingham

Trowell Junction - Toton Centre (052,054) CJ03

All trains in following three entries

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]

1E02 0845 Victoria - Chesterfield *Belmond British Pullman* excursion to Chesterfield for Chatsworth House and return when run on Wednesdays

¶ Diversionary use:

Saturdays and Sundays 25, 26 January, 1 and 2 February, 17 and 18 May, 15 June and 24 August 2025:

Hull Trains' trains Hull from/to St.Pancras International

Toton Centre - Trent East Junction (052) CJ03

1E02 0852 Victoria - Chesterfield *Belmond British Pullman* excursion to Chesterfield for Chatsworth House and return when run on Saturdays

Saturdays:

1C99 2320 Sheffield - Derby

1M71 1709 Edinburgh - Birmingham New Street

1E38 0658 Derby - Newcastle

Sundays:

1C61 2236 Sheffield - Derby

¶ Diversionary use:

Tuesdays to Fridays 31 Dec 2024 to 3 January, 11 to 14 February, 25 to 28 March, 1 to 4 April, 6 to 9 May, 17 to 20 June and 29 July to 1 August 2025:

1C05 0435/0438 Sheffield - St. Pancras International

Saturdays and Sundays 16 February, 29 and 30 March 2025:

Trains Sheffield from/to Leicester

Saturdays and Sundays 25, 26 January, 1 and 2 February 2025:

Northbound Hull Trains' trains St. Pancras International to Hull

Toton Centre - Attenborough Junction (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

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 2106 Leeds - Nottingham

1Y62 2133 Nottingham - Leeds

1Y94 2233 Nottingham - Sheffield

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

Thrumpton West Junction - Retford West Junction (026) YE07

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

Mondays to Fridays:

2P05 0611 Sheffield - Retford
 1L89 2142/2143 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
 1P22 0815 Melton Mowbray - Kettering

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1F87 2304/2305 St Pancras International - Derby
 1D88 2335 St Pancras International - Nottingham (*subject to altered destination some dates*)
 1C01 0413 MX Derby - St Pancras International (*subject to retiming earlier some dates*)

Saturdays and Sundays 21/22 June to 26/27 July 2025:

Trains Leicester from/to 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 Trent East Junction - Wrawby Junction (026) YE07

One round trip Sheffield from/to Cleethorpes on Mondays to Fridays.

Sleaford North Junction - Sleaford South Junction (Sleaford avoiding line) (059) YA05**Mondays to Fridays:**

2K34 2311 Peterborough - Lincoln

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
 2S93 0955 Nottingham - Skegness
 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

Acton West - Acton East Jn (Poplar Jn) - Acton Wells Jn - Willesden West London Junction

[common with next but one entry between Acton Wells Junction and Willesden West London Junction]

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Acton and Paddington:

Friday to Sunday 27 to 29 December 2024:

GWR long distance trains Reading from/to Euston

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

Belmond British Pullman excursions Victoria from/to 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 [common with previous but one entry between Acton Wells Junction and Willesden West London Junction]

1Y82/4 *Belmond British Pullman Golden Age of Steam* from Victoria (1145) circular as advertised
1Y83/6 *Belmond British Pullman The Dinner* from Victoria (1850) circular as advertised

Strawberry Hill Junction - Fulwell Junction (161) WH01

Mondays to Fridays:

Peak hour trains Twickenham from/to Shepperton

Stonebridge Park Depot – Stonebridge Junction [London Underground]

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

Cricklewood - Silkstream Junction (via Hendon Lines (flyover)) CJ01

Belmond British Pullman excursions Victoria from/to Chesterfield for Chatsworth House

Willesden Suburban Junction - Kensal Green Junction (003) LC02

Mondays to Fridays:

2N99 0551 Willesden Junction Low Level – Stratford

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 2304 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 were occasionally routed this way instead of Camden Road West Junction - Camden Junction:

Fridays 18 April, 23 May and Monday 26 May 2025:

Northbound *1S25* from Euston (also *1S26* on 18 April only)

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

¶ Diversionary use only:

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

Sundays 23 February, 15, 22 and 29 June 2025

Trains Stratford from/to Willesden Junction Low Level

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*

Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction (220) LC02

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

Friday nights/Saturday mornings and Sunday nights/Monday mornings 10 to 19

January and 2 to 30 May 2025 and Sunday nights/Monday mornings 30 March to 15 June 2025:

1S25 2020/2025 Euston - Inverness *

1S26 2130 Euston - Glasgow Central §

1M11 2140/2145 Glasgow Central - Euston §

1M16 2015/2025/2045 Inverness - Euston *

[**notes:** * = carries portions from/to Aberdeen and Fort William; § = carries portion from/to 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 from/to Clapham Junction: West London lines and Clapham Junction platforms 16 and 17
- London Overground trains Kensington Olympia from/to Clapham Junction: Latchmere Curve and Clapham Junction platform 1

Pouparts Junction - Longhedge Junction WB01

Belmond British Pullman excursions returning from Sussex to Victoria

1Y82/4 *Belmond British Pullman Golden Age of Steam* from Victoria (1145) circular as advertised

1Y83/6 *Belmond British Pullman The Dinner* from Victoria (1850) circular as advertised

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 from/to destinations in Kent

Mondays to Fridays:

2K52 0500 Gillingham – Victoria

2N08 0605 Victoria - Ramsgate

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

Monday to Thursday nights, about one week in four (first: from 20 January 2025)

Victoria from/to Dartford services around midnight

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)]

The Railway Touring Co's outward *Dorset Coast Express* (and other titles) as advertised in summer
Most *Belmond British Pullman* excursions Victoria from/to destinations *other than Kent*
Steam Dreams *Sunset Steam Express* from Victoria (1815) circular TO in summer

► **[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 were still known as "Battersea Pier Junction"]

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

[note: trains shown with Battersea Park times by footnote in 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 from/to Battersea Park between 0715 and 0830

Sundays:

9H10 0747 Battersea Park - Highbury & Islington

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

Sundays 9, 23 March and 15 June 2025:

Trains Highbury & Islington/Dalston Jn from/to Battersea Park

Streatham North Junction - Streatham South Junction (via reversible fast spur) (162,163) WF01A

¶ **Diversions use only:**

Mondays to Thursdays 10 to 13 February and 24 to 27 February 2025:

2I69 2315 Dorking – Victoria

Mondays to Thursdays 7 to 10 July 2025:

2I71 2356 Epsom - Victoria

Sunday 12 January 2025:

Trains Gatwick Airport to Victoria

Sunday 9 February and 4 May (also Monday 5 May) 2025:

Trains Dorking/Epsom to Victoria

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

Principal use: x.03 and x.33 **daily** Victoria – Dartford **plus** x.50 **SuO** Dover Priory – Victoria

[note: most other trains Victoria from/to Denmark Hill were scheduled to run via the Atlantic Lines.]

Tulse Hill Junction - Leigham Junction (163) WF03

Mondays to Fridays:

2W94 1720 Streatham Hill – London Bridge

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

Monday/Tuesday night to Thursday/Friday night 3/4 to 6/7 February, 17/18 to 19/20 March, 28/29 April to 1/2 May, 9/10 to 12/13 and 23/24 to 25/26 June, and 18/19 to 21/22 August 2025:

2Z95 2358/0005/0010 London Bridge – Streatham Hill (18-20 March, 9 to 12 June and 18 to 21 August 2025 only)

2Z74/2F74 2320/2330 Victoria – London Bridge

Seven Sisters Junction - South Tottenham West Junction and South Tottenham East Junction - Tottenham South Junction (014,017) LB01A Mondays to Thursdays:

2U95 2342 Enfield Town – Liverpool Street

Saturdays:

2U00 0530 Liverpool Street - Enfield Town

Note: this route not shown to be used by either train after 13 December 2025. Last usage recorded as: up train Wed 31 July 2025; down train Sat 2 Aug 2025.

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

Saturday 26 July 2025:

Trains Charing Cross via Lewisham from/to Beckenham Junction

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 from/to Charing Cross usually use the St Johns flyover and

Tanners Hill line; trains Lewisham from/to 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 trains from/to Stratford 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:** 1108, 1123, 1201, 1301, 1402, 1508, 1601, 1701, 1808, 1901, 2001.

For departures it is possible to be certain of route when joining train, but anyone particularly wanting

arrival trains can use [Realtime Trains](#) to search Stratford (London) for trains previously calling

*Dalston Kingsland with a Stratford arrival platform **other than** 1 or 2.*

Forest Gate Junction - Woodgrange Park Junction (001) LC01 Saturdays and Sundays:

Half-hourly service Liverpool Street from/to Shoeburyness

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

WB01 Services **from** Charing Cross **to** Maidstone East (table 190)

Monday to Friday peak trains Cannon Street from/to north Kent line (*except those shown in next entry*)

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

Services **from** Maidstone East **to** Charing Cross (table 190)

1G63 0549 SSuX Faversham – Cannon Street (until 16 May 2025)

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1Y02 0445 Tonbridge – Charing Cross

9K08 0632 Orpington – Luton

¶ **Diversions use:**

Saturdays and Sundays 5, 18 and 19 January and 2 March 2025:

Trains Charing Cross or Victoria from/to Orpington

Saturday 25 January 2025:

Trains Blackfriars from/to Orpington

Crayford Spur A Junction – Crayford Spur B Junction (185,186) WC02

Mondays to Fridays:

Trains in Tables 185 and 186 timed Crayford from/to Slade Green

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]

Mondays to Fridays:

9E04 0618 York – Newcastle
9E09 0924 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle
9E19 1924 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle
2N16 0803 Carlisle – Morpeth
2N70 2341 Hexham – Newcastle
9M06 0600 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street
9M08 0801 Newcastle – Liverpool Lime Street

Saturdays:

2N16 0802 Carlisle – Morpeth
9E09 0854 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (4 January to 8 February and 5 April to 17 May 2025)
1S49 1127 Plymouth – Edinburgh/Glasgow Central
9E19 1924 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (15 February to 29 March 2025)
9E20 2024 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (15 February to 29 March 2025)
9M06 0600 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (15 February to 29 March 2025)
9M08 0800 Newcastle – Liverpool Lime Street (15 February to 29 March 2025)
9M13 1244 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (4 January to 8 February and 5 April to 17 May 2025)

Sundays:

9E07 0919 York – Newcastle
2N14 1449 Carlisle – Nunthorpe
2A67 1758 Metrocentre – Newcastle
9E14 1352 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (5 January to 9 February and 6 April to 11 May 2025)
9E17 1652 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle (5 January to 9 February and 6 April to 11 May 2025)
9E19 1852/1924 Liverpool Lime Street – Newcastle
9M11 1059 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (16 February to 30 March 2025)
9M18 1740 Newcastle - Liverpool Lime Street (5 January to 9 February and 6 April to 11 May 2025)

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

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

Mondays to Saturdays:

1J02 1015 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J04 1215 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J06 1415 Middlesbrough – Newcastle
1J05 1215 Newcastle - Middlesbrough
1J07 1417 Newcastle - Middlesbrough
1J09 1616/1617 Newcastle - Middlesbrough

Sundays:

2N14 1449 Carlisle – Nunthorpe *leaving Newcastle*

¶ **Diversionsary use**

Saturdays and Sundays 1/2 to 22/23 March 2025:

Trains York from/to 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 until 11 October 2025, thereafter SuX.

Bare Lane Junction - Hest Bank Junction (106) CE02 **Mondays to Saturdays:**
2C99 0519 Lancaster - Carnforth – Morecambe (*leaving Carnforth*)

Blackpool: North Pier (southbound) – North Pier (northbound) [**Blackpool Transport**]

Mondays to Fridays until 4 April 2025:

0500 Starr Gate – Fleetwood Ferry

0530 Starr Gate – Fleetwood Ferry

From 6 April 2025:

Direct service at generally 20 min frequency – see April, July and November timetables. All three side of triangular junction in regular, frequent use; this entry will not appear in future

Farington Junction - Lostock Hall Junction CL06

Excursion trains Wigan from/to the Settle & Carlisle line when **not** shown at Preston *en route* to/from Hellifield – including 1T40 1038 SO Crewe – Appleby (*when advertised by a LS Group subsidiary*)

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

Mondays to Saturdays:

2F17 1906 Ellesmere Port – Liverpool Lime Street (*susceptible to frequent cancellation*)

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

¶ **Diversions use:**

Saturday 25 January 2025:

Trains Liverpool Lime Street from/to Blackpool North

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

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

Principal use: Northern services Manchester Airport or Piccadilly from/to Blackpool North, Barrow in Furness or Windermere **when shown to call at Wigan North Western**, and Northern services Manchester Victoria from/to Wigan North Western. In **addition**, the following TPE services:

1S30 0457 MSuX Manchester Piccadilly – Glasgow Central

1N92 2059/2104 SSuO Manchester Airport – Preston

1M64 0916 SuO Glasgow Central – Manchester Airport

1M63 1707/1709 SuX Glasgow Central – Manchester Airport

1M63 2127 SuO Preston – Manchester Airport

1M65 2012 SSuX Edinburgh - Manchester Airport

1M69 0628 SuX Lancaster – Manchester Airport

¶ **Diversions use:**

• for work between Euxton Junction and Manchester or Golborne Junction and Crewe:

Friday 27 December 2024, Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 January, Saturdays and

Sundays 1/2 to 22/23 March 2025:

Trains Preston from/to Manchester Airport *or* Preston from/to Crewe and beyond

Helsby – Ellesmere Port (077) CF06

Two round trips Mondays to Saturdays (*susceptible to frequent cancellation*)

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

Principal use: most trains Warrington Bank Quay from/to 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 {restored entry}

¶ **Diversions use only:**

for work between Crewe and Chester

Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 November 2025:

Avanti West Coast services Euston from/to Holyhead

Clitheroe - Hellifield Junction (103) CL06

Excursion trains Lancashire or south thereof from/to the Settle & Carlisle line – including 1T40 1038 SO Crewe – Appleby (*when advertised by a LS Group subsidiary*)

Saturdays only:

2N60 0752 Rochdale – Ribbleshead
2N61 1452 Rochdale – Ribbleshead
2J22 1108 Ribbleshead – Rochdale
2J26 1805 Ribbleshead - Rochdale

MediaCityUK - Broadway [Manchester Metrolink]

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.

No service 1 to 25 February 2025

(Salford) Harbour City - Broadway [Manchester Metrolink]

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.*

No service 1 to 25 February 2025; limited to three or four journeys to Eccles at start and from Eccles at end of service 1 to 16 March and 25 March to 24 April 2025

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
1M88 2042 SX Reading – Manchester Piccadilly (from 19 May 2025)

Sundays:

1W00 0832 Crewe - Manchester Piccadilly
1W01 0929/0930 Crewe - Manchester Piccadilly
1W03 0830/0842 Cardiff Central - Manchester Piccadilly

¶ **Diversions use:** for Stockport Greek Street bridge renewal:

Daily Saturday 2 August to Friday 22 August 2025:

Trains Manchester Piccadilly from/to Crewe, including those normally via Macclesfield but diverted via Crewe

Heaton Norris Junction - Guide Bridge Station Junction (097) CL04 Saturdays until 26 July and from 23 August 2025:

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

Saturdays only until 17 May 2025, and from 20 September 2025:

1D58 1018 Bristol Temple Meads – Oxford
1D68 1518 Bristol Temple Meads – Oxford
1N61 1202 Oxford – Bristol Temple Meads
1N71 1712 Oxford – Bristol Temple Meads
Rolling stock required elsewhere during summer timetable period

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

[Harrowden 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

Marholm Junction – Glington 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
2K17 1455 Doncaster – Peterborough
2K25 1847 Doncaster - Peterborough
2K08 0837 Peterborough – Newark North Gate
2K24 1710 Peterborough – Lincoln
2K30 2105 Peterborough – Newark North Gate

Saturdays:

2K01 0610 Lincoln – Peterborough (from 24 May 2025)
2K03 0646 Newark Northgate – Peterborough
2K05 0807 Lincoln – Peterborough
2K02 0737 Peterborough - Doncaster (from 24 May 2025)
2K04 0837 Peterborough – Lincoln
2K06 0936 Peterborough – Doncaster

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 applies 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.*

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 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 were also a few Up arrivals from the Clacton line).

Manningtree North Junction - East Junction (006) LA02

Two round trips Ipswich (or beyond) from/to 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, 0500, 0531, 0556, 0628, 0651

Saturdays:

0432, 0522, 0554, 0624, 0654, 0754

Sundays:

0749, 0849, 0918/0921, 1018/1021, 2305

Arrivals at Reading:

Mondays to Fridays:

2V67 2130 Shalford – Reading

1V65 1959 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V67 2059 Gatwick Airport – Reading (from 19 May 2025)

1V68/1V90 2130 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V70/1V91 2230 Gatwick Airport – Reading

Saturdays:

1V62 1859 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V65 1959 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V68 2059 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V69 2130 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V82 2216 Gatwick Airport – Reading

Sundays:

1V37/1V41 0759 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V61/1V62 1826 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V63/1V64 1926 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V64/1V65 1955 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V66/1V67 2055 Gatwick Airport – Reading

1V69 2213 Gatwick Airport – Reading (until 11 May 2025)

1V69/1V71 2305 Gatwick Airport – Reading

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

Sundays 5 and 12 January, and Sunday and Monday 4 and 5 May 2025:

CrossCountry trains Reading to Southampton

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

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

Saturdays:

1V64 1929 Gatwick Airport - Reading

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

Sundays 5 and 12 January, and Sunday and Monday 4 and 5 May 2025:

CrossCountry trains Southampton to Reading

Addlestone Junction - Byfleet Junction (151) WH03

The Railway Touring Co's outward *Dorset Coast Express* as advertised in summer

Belmond British Pullman return excursions from Bristol/Bath to Victoria

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

1Y83/86 *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 from/to Woking

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

Most trains London Victoria or East Croydon from/to 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

Mondays to Fridays:

2U91 0505 Gillingham (Kent) – Sheerness

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

Mondays to Fridays:

2R99 1522 Dover Priory - Faversham

2W98 0705 Faversham – Ramsgate - Dover – Charing Cross

¶ **Diversions use: Sundays 29 December 2024 and 8 June 2025:**

Dover from/to Ramsgate service diverted Dover from/to Minster

ENGLAND - SOUTH WEST

Coombe Junction (Coombe No. 1 ground frame) - Coombe Junction Halt (142) PC06

Mondays to Saturdays:

Trains shown to call at Coombe Junction Halt.

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

Worle Junction - Uphill Junction (134) PC01

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

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

Mondays to Fridays:

2R54 0704 Bath Spa – Filton Abbey Wood

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

Mondays to Thursdays 6 to 9, 20 to 23 January, 17 to 20 February, 3 to 6 March 2025:

2G93 2321 Swindon – Gloucester

1B38 2249 Paddington – Swansea

Monday to Sunday 7 to 13 July 2025:

Trains Paddington from/to South Wales not calling at Bristol Temple Meads

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

Wednesdays 23 July to 27 August 2025:

2L02 1030 Norchard Low Level - Lydney Junction

2L04 1043 Norchard Low Level - Lydney Junction

other advertised Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays:

2L02 1100 Norchard Low Level - Lydney Junction

[**note:** 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 from/to 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 from/to 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

¶ **Diversions use only:**

• for work between Reading and Bathampton:

Saturdays and Sundays 1, 2, 22, 23, 29 and 30 March 2025:

Trains Reading from/to Bristol Temple Meads / South Wales

Friday 25 April 2025:

1A50 2145 Penzance – Paddington

Sundays 27 April, 18 May, 27 July 2025:

1C35 2300 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

1C36 2333 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

Mondays to Thursdays 12 to 15 May, 23 to 26 June and 4 to 7 August 2025:

1C38 2332 Paddington – Bristol Temple Meads

- for work in Westbury station area:

30 December 2024 to 24 January 2025:

1K71 0510 SSuX Bristol Temple Meads - Paddington
 2074 0908 SuO Bristol Temple Meads - Weymouth
 2082 1735 SSuX Swindon - Weymouth
 2098 2045 SO Bristol Temple Meads - Weymouth
 2V54 0638 SuX Weymouth – Bristol Temple Meads
 2V69 0618 SSuX Yeovil Pen Mill – Bristol Temple Meads
 2V93 1753 SuO Weymouth – Bristol Temple Meads
 1K93 1808 SSuX Paddington – Trowbridge

Laverstock North Junction - Laverstock South Junction (154) WG04

The Railway Touring Co's return *Dorset Coast Express* as advertised in summer

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

Sunday 16 March and Saturday 12 April 2025:

CrossCountry trains Basingstoke from/to Southampton

Mondays to Wednesdays 20 to 22 January, 3 to 5 March and 7 to 9 July 2025:

1034 1925 Manchester Piccadilly – Southampton Central

ENGLAND - WEST MIDLANDS

Stone Junction - Colwich Junction (66) CB03

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

Note: no service over this section 2 to 22 August 2025.

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. In Realtime Trains a WTT time at Searchlight Lane Junction will be shown.

Principal use: London Northwestern hourly service Birmingham New Street → Liverpool Lime Street departing Stafford xx.40 and 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 from/to 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, used by the following:

Sundays:

2K80 0840 Crewe – Stafford
 1H22 0901 Birmingham New Street - Manchester Piccadilly (except 3 to 17 August 2025)
 2K73 0942 Stafford – Crewe

¶ **Diversions use:**

- for work at Crewe:

Saturday 28 December to midday Tuesday 31 December 2024:

Hourly service Liverpool Lime Street to Euston

- for work between Stone and Colwich:

Saturdays and Sundays 27 December 2024, 26 January, 8, 9 February, 24, 25, 31 May, 1 June, 27 July 2025:

Hourly service Manchester Piccadilly to Euston

Tuesday 27 to Friday 30 May 2025:

1A24 1014 Manchester Piccadilly – Euston
 1A60 1615 Manchester Piccadilly – Euston

Bushbury Junction - Portobello Junction (076,220) CC04

¶ **Diversions use only:** for work on Trent Valley line between Stafford and Rugby. Also usually used by CrossCountry if any work involves diversion via Bescot.

Sunday nights / Mondays mornings (except when diverted via East Coast route - 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)

Saturdays and Sundays 26 January, 8, 9 February, 18 May, 27 July, also Saturday 24 May to Sunday 1 June 2025:

Avanti West Coast trains Euston from/to Stafford or beyond if not booked to call at Birmingham New Street.

Saturday and Sunday 11 and 12 January 2025:

CrossCountry trains Birmingham New Street from/to Manchester Piccadilly

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

[**note:** the section between Portobello Junction and Bescot Junction is also used by trains in the previous entry]

Principal use: trains Birmingham New Street from/to Wolverhampton via Tame Bridge Parkway (*will also call at Darlaston and Willenhall when those stations reopen in winter 2025/26*).

This route will no longer be regarded as an 'obscure' route.

Galton Junction - Smethwick West (074,132) CG04

Mondays to Fridays:

1M79 2019 Paignton - Birmingham New Street (to 16 May 2025)

1M89 2145 WThFO Cardiff Central - Birmingham New Street

1M92 1813 Penzance - Birmingham New Street (from 19 May 2025)

1V01 0500 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central

Saturdays:

1V01 0500 Birmingham New Street - Cardiff Central

¶ **Diversionsary use:**

Sunday 26 January 2025:

CrossCountry trains Birmingham New Street from/to Cheltenham Spa

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

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

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

[Soho South Junction -] Perry Barr West Junction - Perry Barr South Junction (068) CC04

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

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** for work between Birmingham New Street and Stechford

Wednesday 1 January, Sunday 24 and Monday 25 August 2025:

Trains Birmingham New Street from/to Birmingham International (on 1 January, only until midday)

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

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

¶ **Diversionsary use only:** avoiding Birmingham New Street

Saturday 24 May 2025:

1A53 1335 Manchester Piccadilly - Euston

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 from/to Leamington Spa *not* shown to call at Birmingham International or Coventry,

¶ **Diversionsary use** for work between Leamington Spa from/to Birmingham via Coventry

Sunday 23 March, 6 to 11 April, 2 to 8 June, 30 June to 6 July 2025:

CrossCountry trains Birmingham New Street from/to Leamington Spa

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 and with next entry between St Andrew's Junction and Lifford East Junction]

This route - currently used by many CrossCountry trains Manchester Piccadilly from/to Cheltenham Spa via Birmingham New Street to avoid reversal at Birmingham New Street - was to be reopened in 2026 for local stopping services, whereupon this route would no longer be regarded as an 'obscure' route.

Landor Street Junction - St Andrew's Junction - Bordesley Junction - Lifford East Junction - Lifford West Junction (050) CC02

[common with previous entry between St Andrew's Junction and Lifford East Junction]

¶ **Diversions use only:**

Monday 1 January 2025:

Trains Birmingham New Street from/to Burton on Trent *and* Birmingham New Street from/to Nuneaton, until midday

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

Sundays:

1V48 0811 Leeds – Plymouth (except 27 July and 3 August 2025)

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

23 and 24 Dec 2024, 1 and 2 March, 17, 24 and 25 August 2025:

Trains Birmingham from/to Chesterfield

Aston South Junction - Stechford South Junction (065,220) CC04 ¶ **Diversions use only:** for work on Trent Valley line between Stafford and Rugby *or* between Birmingham New Street and Stechford:

Sunday nights / Mondays mornings (*except when diverted via East Coast route - 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)

Wednesday 1 January, Sunday 24 and Monday 25 August 2025:

Trains Birmingham New Street from/to Birmingham International (on 1 January, only until midday)

Saturdays and Sundays 26 January, 8, 9 February, 18 May, 27 July, also Saturday 24

May to Sunday 1 June 2025:

Avanti West Coast trains Euston from/to Stafford or beyond if not booked to call at Birmingham New Street.

Kingsbury Junction - Whitacre Junction (056) CC01

Mondays to Fridays:

1G90 2136 Nottingham - Birmingham New Street

1E73 1727 Plymouth – Leeds

1M85 1950 Cardiff Central – Nottingham

Saturdays:

1G90 2137 Nottingham - Birmingham New Street

Sundays:

1V50 0900 Leeds - Plymouth

1V48 0811 Leeds – Plymouth (27 July and 3 August 2025)

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

Monday and Tuesday 23 and 24 Dec 2024 and Sunday 24 and Monday 25 August 2025;

Trains Nottingham from/to Coleshill Parkway

Hatton North Junction - Hatton West Junction (073) CG03

Trains Stratford-upon-Avon from/to Dorridge

ENGLAND - YORKSHIRE & HUMBERSIDE

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

Northallerton East Junction - Boroughbridge Road - Longlands Junction (040) YA03/YD01

Mondays to Fridays:

1N23 1527 Kings Cross – Middlesbrough

1Y80 0708 Middlesbrough – Kings Cross

Sundays:

1P77 1317/1336 Manchester Airport – Redcar Central

1P80 1600 Redcar Central - Manchester Airport

1A94 2311 Saltburn – York

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

Saturday and Sunday 15 and 16 March 2025:

Trains York from/to Newcastle *and* York from/to Middlesbrough

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

West Coast Railways' *Scarborough Spa Express* "north route" ("Route A") Thursdays as advertised in summer

West Coast Railways' *The Dalesman* "east route" (outward direction only), Thursdays as advertised in summer (train reversed on the curve but did not run through)

¶ **Diversionsary use:**

19, 20, 21 April, 31 May, 1, 7, 8, 14 June, 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 August 2025:

Grand Central trains Halifax/Bradford Interchange from/to Kings Cross

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

Evenings of 13 to 16, 27 to 30 January, 3 to 4 March, 8 to 10, 14 to 17, 21 to 24 April, 26 to 29 May, 30 June to 3 July, 7 to 10, 14 to 17, 21 to 24 July, 18 to 21 August 2025:

1D36 2310/2333 Kings Cross – Leeds

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

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

Mondays to Fridays:

2N37 2315 Sheffield – Leeds

2N34 2230 Leeds - Sheffield

Sundays:

1E75 1827 Plymouth - Leeds

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

Monday to Friday nights:

1B52 2331 Manchester Airport – Sheffield

Saturday nights (except 4 January to 8 February 2025):

1B52 2313 Manchester Piccadilly - Sheffield

Tuesday to Sunday mornings (except Saturday mornings 4 Jan to 8 Feb 2025):

1B59 0319/0320 Sheffield – Manchester Airport

¶ **Diversionsary use:** for work near Sheffield:

Monday to Friday 6 to 10 January 2025:

Manchester Piccadilly from/to Sheffield TPE service, via Wakefield Westgate, every two hours

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

Evenings of 13 to 16, 27 to 30 January, 3 to 4 March, 8 to 10, 14 to 17, 21 to 24 April, 26 to 29 May, 30 June to 3 July, 7 to 10, 14 to 17, 21 to 24 July, 18 to 21 August 2025:

1D36 2310/2333 Kings Cross – Leeds

Sheffield: Park Square triangle, east chord [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

Dore South Junction – Dore West Junction

¶ **Diversionsary use only:**

Monday to Friday 6 to 10 January 2025:

East Midland trains Chesterfield from/to Stockport

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1B96 2118 Liverpool Lime Street - Doncaster

1E73 1727 Plymouth – Leeds

1B52 2331 Manchester Airport – Sheffield (except Friday nights 3 Jan to 7 Feb 2025):

Tuesday to Sunday mornings (except Saturday mornings 4 Jan to 8 Feb 2025):

1B59 0319/0320 Sheffield – Manchester Airport

[**note:** section between Tinsley North Junction and Rotherham Central Junction also used by 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 from/to Doncaster or Leeds *not* shown to call at Rotherham Central or Barnsley.

Exceptions: a few early morning or late evening trains ran 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]

¶ **Diversionary use only:** for work on the East Coast Main Line:

Saturdays and Sundays 25, 26 January, 1 and 2 February, 17 and 18 May, 15 June and 24 August 2025:

Hull Trains' trains Hull from/to St.Pancras International

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

Other trains between Sheffield and Doncaster run via Swinton

Mondays to Fridays:

1B62 0555 Sheffield – Cleethorpes

1B92 1919 Liverpool Lime Street – Cleethorpes

1B96 2118 Liverpool Lime Street – Doncaster

1E56 1543 Reading – York

1E73 1727 Plymouth – Leeds

1B63 0536 Doncaster – Liverpool Lime Street

1B65 0504 Cleethorpes – Liverpool Lime Street

1J42 0653 Scarborough – Sheffield

1V83 0624 Newcastle – Reading (until 16 May 2025)

1M83 0624 Newcastle – Birmingham New Street (from 19 May 2025)

1V85 0835 Newcastle - Reading

1J52 1702 Scarborough – Sheffield

1J55 2000 Scarborough – Sheffield

1J96 2245 Hull – Sheffield

2R29 2349 Doncaster – Sheffield

1B97 2126 Cleethorpes – 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

¶ **Diversionary use:** for work on the East Coast Main Line:

Saturdays and Sundays 25, 26 January, 1 and 2 February 2025:

Hull Trains' trains Hull from/to St.Pancras International

Milford Junction – Gascoigne Wood (022) YG04

Mondays to Saturdays:

1K36 2103 Hull – Leeds

1K38 2203 Hull – Manchester Victoria

1K37 2221/2223 Leeds – Hull

¶ **Diversionary use:**

Saturdays and Sundays 28 and 29 Dec 2024, 5 Jan, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23 March, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29 June, 5, 6 July 2025:

Trains Hull from/to Leeds

Milford Junction - Ferrybridge North Junction - Moorthorpe (030) YE01 Northern stopping trains York from/to Sheffield (*other trains on table 030 ran via Leeds or Doncaster*).

Sherburn Junction - Milford Junction and Milford Junction – Castleford: these entries no longer appear, having regular services York from/to Huddersfield shown in Table 039. In addition, Sherburn Junction – Milford Junction used by the Northern stopping trains in the previous entry.

Gascoigne Wood - Sherburn Junction (022) YG04

Mondays to Saturdays:

Trains Selby from/to Sherburn-in-Elmet.

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1S91 0548 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S93 1045 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S97 1448 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

Saturdays:

1S91 0548 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S93 1025 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S97 1548 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

1S99 1827 Kings Cross - Edinburgh

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

Friday nights/Saturday mornings and Sunday nights/Monday mornings 10 to 19

January 2025: see Camden Road Central Junction - Copenhagen Junction entry (*on other diversion dates trains ran via York station*)

Hambleton North Junction - East Junction (022) YG04

Non-stop trains York from/to Selby.

Hambleton South Junction - West Junction (028) YG04

Saturdays:

1A13 0656 Skipton - Kings Cross

Note: this route not shown to be used after 13 December 2025.

Shaftholme Junction - Knottingley West Junction (020) YA03

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

Knottingley - Potters Grange Junction (032) YE05

One and a half round trips Goole from/to 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

1A30 1245 Leeds - Kings Cross (from 19 May 2025)

1A39 1516 Bradford Forster Square - Kings Cross (from 19 May 2025)

1A45 1716 Bradford Forster Square/1745 Leeds - Kings Cross

Saturdays:

1A59 0659 Bradford Interchange - Kings Cross

Sundays:

1A25 1045/1047 Leeds - Kings Cross

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

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]

¶ **Diversions use only:**

Monday to Friday 17 to 21 February 2025:

2K07 0947 Doncaster - Peterborough

2K13 1250 Doncaster - Peterborough

2K17 1455 Doncaster - Peterborough

2K25 1847 Doncaster - Peterborough

2K06 0731 Peterborough - Doncaster

2K10 1030 Peterborough - Doncaster

2K14 1228 Peterborough - Doncaster

2K22 1626 Peterborough - Doncaster

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 from/to Limerick, running non-stop Thurles (or north thereof) from/to Limerick

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

Fridays and Saturdays:

A515/A523 1605 FSO Waterford - Dublin Heuston

A518/A520 1610 FO Dublin Heuston – Waterford

Dublin O'Connell Street Upper – Parnell Street [LUAS]

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.

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

Saturdays:

Trains normally run between Kilmeadan and Carriganore, but on Saturdays they extended 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 was a joining or alighting point.*

NORTHERN IRELAND

Belfast City Junction - Central Junction

Occasional use only:

- for trains from Adelaide towards Lanyon Place and Bangor *after* evening major international events at The National Football Stadium, Windsor Park (Adelaide), such as 15 October and 15 November 2024, 21 March, 10 and 13 October, and 17 November 2025
- for trains from Lanyon Place towards Portadown *after* evening music events at Ormeau Park, such as Belsonic events, usually each June.

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

SCOTLAND

Maryhill Park Junction - Knightswood North Junction (218) GA12

Trains Glasgow Queen Street high level from/to West Highland line.

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

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

Coatbridge Junction – Langloan Junction (220) GA02/GA11

¶ Diversionary use only:

6, 13, 27 April, 4, 5 May 2025:

1M11 2145 Glasgow Central – Euston

Larkfield Junction – Muirhouse South Junction {temporary new entry - occasional use}

¶ Diversionary use only:

16 and 23 August 2025:

Trains between Glasgow Central from/to Kilmarnock and Carlisle

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

Saturdays:

1M19 0426 Glasgow Central – Euston

¶ Diversionary use:

Saturdays and Sundays 19, 20 April and 10, 11 May 2025:

Local services Glasgow Central from/to Lanark

Mossend East Junction - Mossend North Junction (065) GA01

Mondays to Saturdays:

1M73 0745 SX Glasgow Central – Preston/Liverpool Lime Street

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central

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

Mondays to Saturdays:

2Y76 0548/0559 Motherwell – Edinburgh

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1C05 0737 Carstairs - Garscadden

1S34 0515 Wolverhampton – Glasgow Central

1S37 0531 Euston - Glasgow Central

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central

1M80 0422 MO Glasgow Central - Manchester Airport

1M80 0452 MX Glasgow Central - Manchester Airport

1R22 0428 Glasgow Central – Euston

1M73 0745 Glasgow Central – Preston/Liverpool Lime Street

1C06 1737 Anderston - Carstairs

Saturdays:

1S34 0515 Wolverhampton – Glasgow Central

1S74 1612 Liverpool Lime Street – Glasgow Central

1M80 0452 Glasgow Central – Manchester Airport

1M19 0426 Glasgow Central – Euston

¶ **Diversions use:**

3, 4 and 11 May 2025:

Local services Glasgow Central from/to Wishaw

Law Junction - Shieldmuir Junction (065,209) GA01

Avanti West Coast, TransPennine Express and CrossCountry trains Edinburgh or Carlisle from/to Motherwell *unless shown in previous entry*. ScotRail trains Carstairs from/to Motherwell **not** shown to call at Wishaw.

Dalmeny Junction - Winchburgh Junction (215) GC04 *{limited diversionary use from 12 January 2025}*

¶ **Diversions use only:** work between Dalmeny, Saughton Jn (site) and Haymarket West Jn

Monday nights to Thursday nights from 13 January 2025:

1L96 2218 Perth – Edinburgh

1L36 2231 Dundee – Edinburgh

2G54 2323 Glenrothes with Thornton – Edinburgh

1L98 2311 Perth – Edinburgh

Sunday nights from 12 January 2025:

2K16 2258 Glenrothes with Thornton – Edinburgh

Thornton North Junction - Thornton West Junction (215) GC04

Until 18 May 2025:

Mondays to Fridays:

1L60 0600 Perth - Edinburgh

1L64 0700 Perth – Edinburgh

2L19 2313/2318 Edinburgh – Perth

Saturdays:

1L60 0600 Perth - Edinburgh

2L19 2318 Edinburgh – Perth

Sundays:

2G28 0936 Perth – Edinburgh

2G39 1855 Edinburgh – Perth

From 19 May 2025:

This route used, Mondays to Saturdays, for hourly services between Edinburgh, Dunfermline and Leven, and so no longer be regarded as an ‘obscure’ route.

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

Thornton South Junction - Thornton West Junction (215) GC04

Mondays to Fridays:

2K08 0730 Glenrothes with Thornton – Edinburgh

2K11 1715 Edinburgh - Glenrothes with Thornton

Sundays:

2K16 2258 Glenrothes with Thornton – Edinburgh

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

WALES

Carmarthen Junction - Carmarthen Bridge Junction (126) PB04

Regular service withdrawn from 16 December 2024; this entry will not appear in future.

Briton Ferry, Court Sart Junction (Down)/ Briton Ferry West Junction (Up) - Henty Junction (Swansea District line) PB09

[common with next entry east of Grovesend Colliery Loop Junction]

Excursions from South Wales via this route to The Royal Welsh Show, held near Builth, each year in late July (2025 Show dates: 21 to 24 July) but **only one train** scheduled by this route for the 2025 Show (*all other trains this year ran via Landore curve and reversed at Llanelli*):

Tuesday 22 July 2025:

2M90 0632 Cardiff Central – Llandrindod

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

[common with previous entry east of Grovesend Colliery Loop Junction]

Until 29 March 2025:

1B98 2230 FO Cardiff Central – Carmarthen

1W14 0603/0604 MSO Carmarthen – Manchester Piccadilly

From 31 March 2025:

Mondays to Saturdays:

1B98/1B99 2227/2228/2230 Cardiff Central – Carmarthen

1W14 0603/0604 Carmarthen – Manchester Piccadilly (not 8 to 11 July nor 4 to 8 August)

¶ Diversionary use:

Mondays to Thursdays 5 to 8 May, 16 to 19 June, 14 to 17 and 28 to 31 July 2025:

2B88 2146 Fishguard Harbour– Cardiff Central

2B93 2320 Cardiff Central - Carmarthen

Landore Junction - Swansea Loop West Junction (126) PB04

Sundays until 27 July and from 9 November (also 21 September) 2025:

1B97 1239/1240 Fishguard Harbour - Cardiff Central

1B16/1B99 1206 Cardiff Central - Milford Haven

For Royal Welsh Show - Monday 21 to Thursday 24 July 2025:

2M90 0659 Cardiff Central – Llandrindod (*except Tuesday*)

2V92 1815 Llandrindod – Cardiff Cenral

[note: trains in previous entry used 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 2249 Paddington - Swansea *when not diverted via Barry*)

1L01 0346 Swansea – Paddington

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

Mondays to Fridays:

1L01 0346 Swansea – Paddington

1B30 0535 Cardiff Central - Milford Haven

1B36 2148 Paddington – Swansea (*when not diverted via Barry*)

Saturdays:

1B58 0636 Cardiff Central - Pembroke Dock

Sundays until 27 July and from 21 September 2025:

1B43 0804 Cardiff Central – Swansea

2B94 2135 Milford Haven – Cardiff Central

¶ Diversionary use:

Sundays 26 January, 23 February, 2, 9, 16 March, 20 April, 4, 11, 18 May, 13 July, 21, 28 September, 12 October 2025:

Westwards departures from Cardiff Central towards Pontyclun

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 night every fourth week from week 38: (16/17 to 19/20 December 2024) to week 50, and every fourth week from week 02 (7/8 to 10/11 April) to week 34 (17/18 to 20/21 November) 2025:

1V64 1930 Manchester Piccadilly – Cardiff Central

1V66 2030 Manchester Piccadilly – Cardiff Central

1V99 2220 Crewe – Cardiff Central

1W70 2210 Cardiff Central – Crewe

2B01 0030 Cardiff Central – Hereford (*n.b. may be retimed earlier when so diverted*)

1W11 0421 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.

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.

Bishop Auckland turnout – Bishop Auckland West ground frame [*Network Rail – Weardale Railway*]: through excursion trains to Stanhope as advertised.

Embsay - Bow Bridge loop [*Embsay & Bolton Abbey Steam Railway*]: trains use this section if stock blocks the loop line at Embsay and during annual Diesel Gala

Moor Road (Leeds) station - Balm Road loop [*Middleton Railway*]: Services have not run on the branch since 17 Sep 2023 and were not expected to do so until Moor Road level crossing is upgraded.

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

Llangollen Goods Junction - Pentrefelin Sidings gate and to former Goods yard (Diesel road) [*Llangollen Railway*]: Diesel Weekend brake van trips (usually September but not in 2024 or 2025).

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

Leek Brook Junction – Leek (site of new station) and north-east curve at Leek Brook Junction [*Churnet Valley Railway*]: Heritage Open Days (2025 dates: Saturdays 22 February, 29 March, 26 April, 31 May, 27 September) and special event 15 June 2025

Swithland Sidings - Nunckley Hill Platform – Mountsorrel Halt [*Mountsorrel & Rothley Community Heritage Centre*]: Sundays 13, 20, 27 July, 10, 24, 31 August, 28 Sep; Monday 25 August 2025.

Tyseley Locomotive Works internal trackage [*Tyseley Locomotive Works*]: *may* operate on works open weekends.

Norchard Low Level - Middle Forge Junction ground frame [*Dean Forest Railway*]: *may* be used on special events days - particularly on those when separate services were advertised: Norchard (high level) from/to Parkend and Norchard (low level) from/to Lydney Junction. Most regular trains at Norchard used 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: 20-21 September 2025

Dereham - Hoe Road [*Mid Norfolk Railway*]

Long(ue)ville Junction - Fletton Junction [[Nene Valley Railway](#)]: shuttle services as advertised and special event 5 September 2025

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

Bishops Lydeard - Norton Fitzwarren Junction [[West Somerset Railway](#)]: through excursion trains to Minehead as advertised:

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](#) (2025 dates: 2 and 3 August).

Worgret Junction – Norden [[Swanage Railway](#)] through excursion trains to Swanage as advertised.

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

Bodiam - Junction Road and Robertsbridge Junction station - Robertsbridge Northbridge Street [[Rother Valley Railway](#)]: on Gala weekends as advertised

Downpatrick - Loop Platform - Magnus Grave (former King Magnus's Halt ("King's Halt")) - present end of line towards Ballydugan (Ringreagh) [[Downpatrick & County Down Railway](#)]: used when advertised by special event services. However, the railway suffered severe flooding in October/November 2023

Gracedieu - Bilberry [[Waterford & Suir Valley Railway](#)]: only for group bookings, such as summer *Sunset Express*.

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Ticket acceptance on Bee Network

Valid rail tickets can be used on the following Bee Network services during this time:

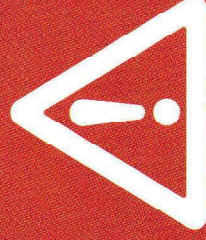
- 11 Altrincham - Gattley - Cheadle - Edgeley - Stockport
- 42C Handforth Dean - Heald Green - Cheadle - Piccadilly Gardens
- 192 Hazel Grove - Stockport - Levenshulme - Manchester
- 368 Stockport - Edgeley - Cheadle Hulme
- 370 Altrincham - Gattley - Cheadle - Cheadle Heath - Stockport
- 371 Altrincham - Gattley - Cheadle - Heaton Mersey - Stockport
- 378 Stockport - Bramhall - Heald Green - Cheadle Hulme
- 378A Stockport - Davenport - Bramhall - Cheadle Hulme
- Metrolink between Altrincham and Manchester city centre stops.

For full Bee Network timetable information, please visit tfgm.com

Summary of other train operator changes

- **Avanti West Coast** - two trains an hour will run between Manchester and London via Wilmslow and Stafford and **will not call at Stockport, Macclesfield or Stoke-on-Trent**, with rail replacement buses serving these stations
- **CrossCountry** - services will be diverted between Manchester and Stafford via Wilmslow and **will not call at Stockport, Macclesfield or Stoke-on-Trent**, with rail replacement buses serving these stations
- **EMR Norwich services** - trains will only run between Sheffield, Nottingham and Norwich. Please use alternative Northern and TransPennine Express services between Liverpool, Manchester and Sheffield. On Saturdays and Sundays, rail replacement buses will also run between Manchester and Sheffield to supplement the train service
- **EMR Crewe to Derby, Nottingham & Newark** - trains will run between Crewe and Stoke-on-Trent/Stafford until Friday 16 August. From Saturday 17 until Friday 22 August, buses will replace trains
- **LNR Crewe to Stafford services via Alsager** - trains will run between Crewe and Stoke-on-Trent until Friday 16 August. From Saturday 17 until Friday 22 August. Between Stoke-on-Trent, Stone and Stafford, **trains will only run on Saturdays 2, 9, and 16 August**, rail replacement bus services all other days
- **TransPennine Express** - services will be diverted between Sheffield and Manchester and **will not call at Stockport**. Rail replacement buses will run between Manchester and Stockport
- **Transport for Wales** - services will be diverted between Manchester and Wilmslow and **will not call at Stockport**. Rail replacement buses will run between Wilmslow and Stockport.

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Changes to train services
All routes serving Stockport

Saturday 2 until Friday 22 August 2025

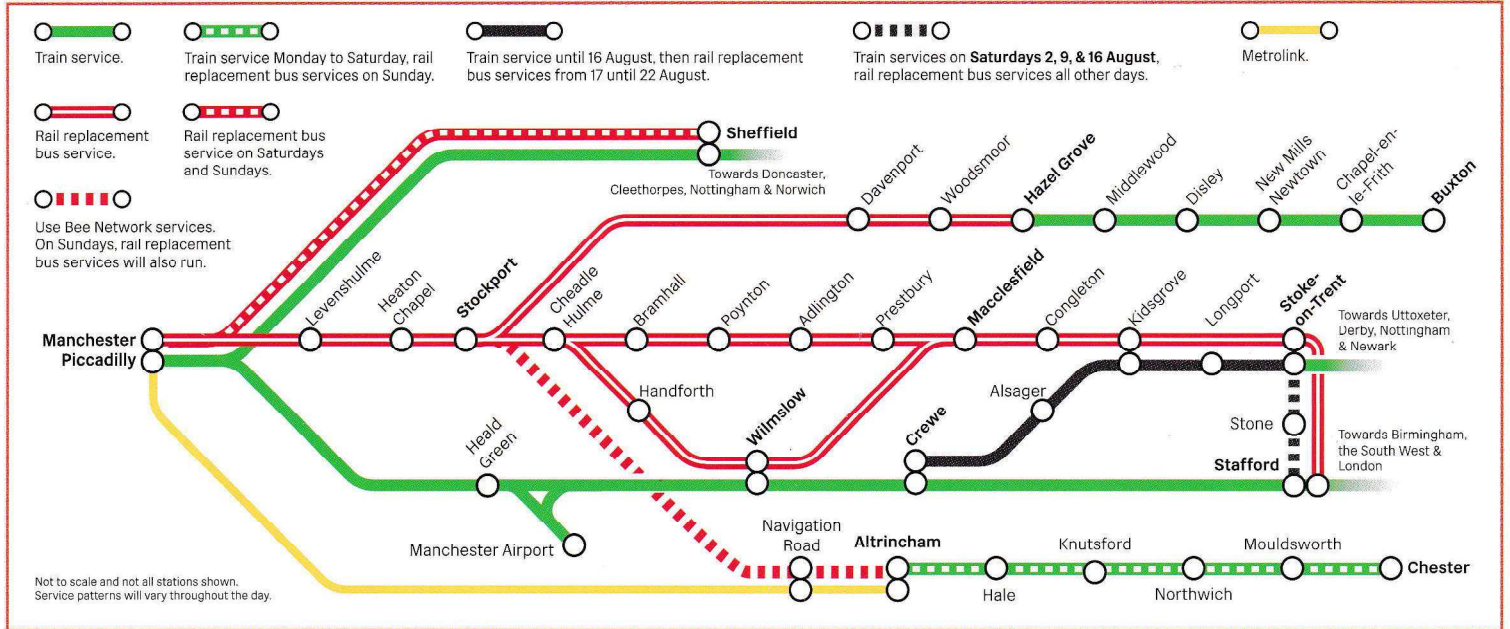
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Network Rail is rebuilding the Greek Street roundabout bridge at Stockport and all railway lines through Stockport station will be closed from Saturday 2 until Friday 22 August 2025.

Rail replacement bus services (express and stopping) will operate on all routes serving Stockport and long-distance train journeys will also be revised, using alternative routes to and from Manchester.

Summary of Northern's service changes



The table below provides a summary of Northern's service changes throughout the work.

A summary of key changes by Avanti West Coast, CrossCountry, East Midlands Railway, London Northwestern Railway and Transport for Wales can be found on the next page, together with information regarding ticket acceptance on Manchester's Bee Network bus and tram services.

Route	Rail replacement bus services	Train services
Buxton	➤ Manchester to Hazel Grove	➤ Hazel Grove to Buxton
Stoke-on-Trent (local)	➤ Manchester to Stockport ➤ Stockport to Stoke-on-Trent	➤ No train service
Alderley Edge via Handforth	➤ Manchester to Stockport ➤ Stockport to Wilmslow via Handforth	➤ Alternative train services available via Heald Green & Manchester Airport
Crewe via Manchester Airport	➤ No Northern rail replacement bus services	➤ Minor changes to times of services to accommodate diverted long-distance train services
Chester via Altrincham	➤ Sunday only between Manchester, Stockport, Altrincham & Chester ➤ Please use Bee Network services on Mondays to Saturdays between Manchester/Stockport & Navigation Road & Altrincham	➤ Monday to Saturday only between Altrincham & Chester
Hope Valley	➤ No Northern rail replacement bus services	➤ An additional Monday to Friday hourly express service will run between Manchester & Sheffield
Manchester to Liverpool via Warrington Central	➤ No rail replacement bus services will run on this route	➤ Minor changes to services between Manchester & Liverpool via Warrington Central ➤ Liverpool to Warrington Central services will be extended, running express in both directions, to/from Manchester Oxford Road
Stalybridge to Stockport	➤ No rail replacement bus service will run on this route ➤ Please use Bee Network bus services or alternative train and rail replacement bus services to complete journeys	