
Great Western Railway

Bristol & South Wales railway upgrades

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What's happening and when?

Hullavington (between Swindon and Bristol Parkway)

- 19 August to 15 September
- Overhead Line Equipment (OHLE) installation in Chipping Sodbury Tunnel and between Bassett Junction (west of Swindon station) and Westerleigh Junction (east of Bristol Parkway)
- Preparatory works for Bristol Parkway new platform and extensions
- Track layout work
- Embankment securing
- 2 week closure of Bristol Parkway 2-15 September
- #Patchway



Cardiff Intersection Bridge Works

- Bank Holiday weekend
- Installation of slab track (no ballast – enables tracks to be lowered) to provide clearance for OHLE at Intersection Bridge (where the Valley Lines cross over the main lines to the east of Cardiff Central)

How does this affect train services?

- **Patchway used vice Bristol Parkway – Inter City trains diverted**
- **No trains in or out of Bristol Parkway from 2-15 September**
- **Buses replace trains between Yate and Filton Abbey Wood**

What's our travel advice to customers?

- The railway is open for business, but check before you travel because trains to or via Bristol and/or Cardiff may be affected
- There are different plans in place for different days and weeks – check before travelling
- Allow yourself time to make connections. Some journeys will take longer than usual
- There is no step-free access or car parking facilities at Patchway station

Tickets, car parking and bikes

Tickets

Some ticket restrictions will be relaxed to allow travel on earlier services than normal



Car parking

Bristol Parkway – The West car park will be closed from Saturday 2 to Friday 15 September 2017 inclusive

Patchway – the station car park will be closed to enable a safe bus operation

Yate – car parking will be restricted to allow buses to operate safely

Bikes

Only folding bikes can be carried on replacement buses

Bike bus

Looking ahead



- Much work across our network linked to new trains and electrification
- New trains already launched
- IET this autumn BRI-PAD
- Infrastructure work continues at least until the end of 2018 – especially this year between Bristol Parkway and Cardiff
- The December 2018 timetable will see the real benefits of all this work
- Fleet cascade

2018

- 5 day closure of Bristol Temple Meads over Easter
- 11 June – 1 July Patchway tunnels electrification
- 27 October – 18 November Filton 4-tracking
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