

# Filton & Beach rail work

August 2024



### Introduction

This summer we've essential maintenance work in Bristol and South Gloucestershire, focused around the Filton Bank and Severn Beach railway lines.

This is vital for the continued safe and reliable running of train services, but will impact train journeys during August. There may be some disruption to residents too.

From 17 August until early on 24 August, we'll be working in Lawrence Hill, Montpelier and Chittening in Avonmouth.

## **Travel information**

Trains will be impacted between Severn Beach and Avonmouth on Saturday 17 August, then between Severn Beach and Bristol Temple Meads, plus between Filton Abbey Wood and Stapleton Road or Lawrence Hill stations from Sunday 18 to Friday 23 August.

Also, on the A403 Severn Road, temporary traffic lights are in operation overnight until 6 September. The road will be closed, on nights only, Wednesday 14 – Friday 16 August and Monday 19 – Wednesday 21 August.

For more information, see the detailed passenger information section overleaf.

# Lawrence Hill & Montpelier track and drainage work

#### Lawrence Hill

We will be working on both of the two relief lines on the Filton Bank - the side of the four-track railway that takes trains through Lawrence Hill and Stapleton Road stations.

We will be replacing over 670 metres of track in total, installing nearly 3,000 tonnes of stone in this area.

Drainage work is taking place alongside this track work in the Lawrence Hill area, focused on a 210 metre section where we're laying new pipes and installing catchpits to hold run off water, as well as laying around 200 tonnes of pea shingle.

#### Montpelier

We will be working at two locations in the Montpelier area of Bristol.

On the line to the west of Ashley Hill we will be renewing over 200 metres of track. Slightly further west - inside the tunnel - we will be replacing over 261 metres of rail.

In total we'll be installing 350 steel sleepers and 800 tonnes of ballast (stone) in this area.

Preparatory work at both Lawrence Hill and Montpelier started in early July. Follow up work will run, mostly on Saturday nights, until Friday 4 October.

# Chittening bridge replacement

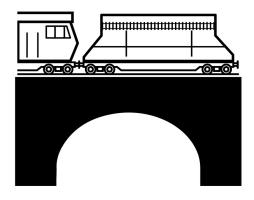
From 17 - 20 August we'll be working around the clock to replace a railway bridge over floodplain at Chittening, between Avonmouth and Severn Beach, where the line runs parallel to the A403 Severn Road.

Work involves removing the track, the bridge deck and the old foundations, before installing new foundations, a fresh bridge deck and relaying the track on top. The bridge is showing its age and is due for replacement. Doing so will help ensure the continued safe and reliable running of the railway, and also support the West of England Combined Authority's MetroWest programme, improving the operational railway along the route. We have been working on site in preparation since early July, with a compound set up on adjacent land belonging to Bristol Port.

**Traffic management on A403 Severn Road**Temporary traffic lights are in intermittent use

on Severn Road between 8am and 6pm until 6 September.

The road will close 9pm to 5am Wednesday 14 - Friday 16 August and Monday 19 -Wednesday 21 August.







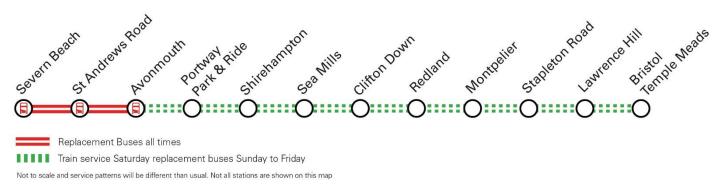


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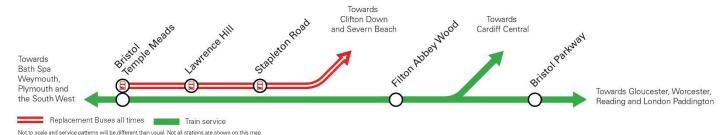
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## Travel arrangements:

Saturday 17 August: Buses replace trains between Severn Beach and Avonmouth only.



**Sunday 18 – Friday 23 August:** Buses replace trains between Severn Beach/Clifton Down and Bristol Temple Meads, During this time direct trains will run between Filton Abbey Wood and Bristol Temple Meads but won't stop at Stapleton Road or Lawrence Hill stations.



#### Traffic management on A403 Severn Road at Chittening:

To enable the bridge replacement work taking place, traffic management measures are being put in place along the A403 (Severn Road)

- Two-way lights are intermittently in operation during the hours of 8am and 6pm from now until 6 September 2024
- Closure of A403 Severn Road between 9pm and 5am on:
  - o Wednesday 14, Thursday 15 and Friday 16 August
  - o Monday 19, Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21 August

The work has been planned to keep disruption to passengers, residents, and businesses to a minimum; there'll be a signed diversion in place, suitable for HGVs (see map).





