

## Fact Sheet

# Autumn railway maintenance

We're working in and around the Severn Tunnel during four weekends in October, to ensure the continued safe and smooth running of the railway between England and south Wales.

## Dates

Maintenance work will be carried out on the following weekends:

- Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 October
- Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 October
- Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 October
- Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 October

Work starts from 12.30am and finishes at 3.40am Monday, except on Saturday 30 October when work starts later at 4pm.

## What's involved?

We're carrying out track work, drainage, surveys and repairs at various locations, including the Severn Tunnel, Severn Beach, Pilning, Patchway, Stoke Gifford and also at Charlton Tunnel in Brentry, Bristol.

Coordinating multiple teams throughout these weekends makes the most of the opportunity, minimising overall disruption.

## Compounds and access

We will be using multiple compounds and access points to support this work, including: • Patchway station and Patchway tunnels • Istock brick works and Ash Lane • Pilning Station and Cross Hands Road • Green Lane • Ableton Lane • Severn Tunnel Junction.



## Travel arrangements

On the four October weekends, during our maintenance work: Buses replace trains between Bristol Parkway and Newport.

Trains between London Paddington and Swansea will be diverted between Swindon and Newport, not calling at Bristol Parkway, extending journey times by around 40 minutes.

Trains will still run between Taunton and Bristol Temple Meads as well as between Portsmouth Harbour and Bristol Parkway instead of Cardiff Central.

Check [nationalrail.co.uk](http://nationalrail.co.uk) or [GWR.com/Upgrade](http://GWR.com/Upgrade) for details.

## Get in touch

If you have any questions or concerns about the work taking place, please call our 24-hour National Helpline or visit [www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus](http://www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus).

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