

Refurbishment work at St Paul's station

ESCALATOR WORKS SET TO START THIS WEEK

THE work, which starts tomorrow and runs until April 2019, will see the two escalators refurbished one at a time to boost their safety and reliability.

This will ensure the station can manage the increasing passenger demand as London's population continues to grow. Currently, more than 17million people use St Paul's station every year.

While the work takes place, the following measures will apply:

WEEKDAYS, 7.30AM UNTIL 10AM

Westbound Central line trains will not stop and the station will be exit only. At all other times, entry will be via a staircase only, which has 99 steps.

WEEKDAYS, 4PM UNTIL 7.30PM

Westbound Central line trains will not stop at the station.

NIGHT TUBE SERVICES

The station will be exit only between 12:30am and 5am.

During busy times, it may take longer to exit or move around the station. TfL is advising customers to use nearby Bank or Chancery Lane Tube stations (both Central line) or alternative lines at Mansion House and Barbican.

This weekend and next weekend (August 11-12 and 18-19), Central line trains will also not be stopping at Bank station overnight. Night Tube passengers who wish to travel from St Paul's should use Chancery Lane. Bus routes N8 and 25 connect these stations.

Peter McNaught, director of asset operations at London Underground, said: 'I'm sorry for the disruption the escalator refurbishment will cause to customers

but this is vital work that will improve journeys through St Paul's Tube station for years to come.

Once the work is complete, the escalators will be more reliable and there will be less disruption to journeys as a result.'

The escalators used on the Tube weigh around 40 tonnes. A typical 15-metre rise escalator has about 15,000 moving parts.

The continued modernisation of the Tube is a key part of the Mayor's Transport Strategy to make London a greener, more accessible place. The investment in public transport will help reduce reliance on the car and contribute to the Mayor's target of 80 per cent of journeys made by public transport, cycling or walking by 2041.



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Traffic information for the capital

Victoria Embankment Until September 16, 6pm

The road will be closed westbound between Southwark Bridge and Westminster Bridge for gas works, with diversions in place. The Cycle Superhighway will remain open and there will be local access to Upper Thames Street via Puddle Dock.

Whitehall Tomorrow, 8am until Tuesday, 4pm

One lane will be closed southbound at the junction with Great Scotland Yard. This is while roadworks take place.

Victoria Embankment Tomorrow, 8am until Sunday, 6pm

There will be temporary traffic lights in place for road resurfacing works at the junction with Savoy Place. Savoy Street and Savoy Place will be closed.

Regent Street Saturday, 8am until Sunday, 4pm

The road will be closed southbound between Mortimer Street and Margaret Street for a crane operation. Little Portland Street will also be closed between Great Portland Street and Regent Street.

Central London area Saturday, midday until 6pm

A cycling event will start and finish in Southwark Park. The route will include the following roads: Jamaica Road, Tower Bridge, Victoria Embankment, Parliament Square, Vauxhall, York Road, Stamford Street and Southwark Street. There may be some disruption along the route and the various approach roads.

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