

Plan ahead for the weekend

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CHECK TO SEE IF THE FOLLOWING ENGINEERING WORKS WILL AFFECT YOU THIS WEEKEND. CONSIDER WALKING OR CYCLING IF YOU CAN. FOR UPDATES, VISIT TFL.GOV.UK/TRAVEL-TOOLS

Piccadilly line

All weekend: No service between Acton Town and Uxbridge. Use alternative Tube or rail replacement bus services.

London Overground

All weekend: No service between Willesden Junction and Clapham Junction. Use local bus services.

Sunday: No service between Gospel Oak and Stratford. Use local or rail replacement bus services.

Sunday: No service between Barking and Barking Riverside until 8pm. Use local bus services.

Sunday: Services to and from Chingford will not call at Bethnal Green. Use services to or from Cheshunt or Enfield Town.

Service boost for the new Elizabeth line

THE next stage of the transformational Elizabeth line launches this Sunday, when services from the east and west will be integrated into the new central tunnels and stations, bringing additional benefits to customers.

This connection brings the three railways together and will enable customers from Reading and Heathrow to travel all the way to Abbey Wood without needing to change at Paddington national rail station. Customers from Shenfield will be able to travel west all the way to Paddington without needing to change at Liverpool Street.

There will be 22 trains per hour between Paddington and Whitechapel during peak hours and 16 trains per hour off-peak.

This new phase also means that Sunday services can start running in the central stations, meaning there will be a seven-day service across the entire Elizabeth line. Journeys from the east to destinations beyond Paddington, including towards Heathrow or Reading, will be possible by changing trains and waiting on the same platform at any central London Elizabeth line station for the next direct train.

Given the spacious platforms and the layout of the new station, changing trains at Whitechapel is likely to be the easiest option for customers.



Purple patch: The latest phase of the Elizabeth line will see direct services start

TfL is working with Network Rail to run the best possible service for customers during the planned industrial action on national rail next week and will ensure that as many Elizabeth line services operate as possible, but there will be no through-running services on some days. Customers should check before they travel, with direct services expected to resume from Thursday.

For more information on London's newest railway, visit tfl.gov.uk/elizabeth-line

It's a wrap

LONDON Underground staff will be supporting the WrapUp London campaign this year, which aims to provide unwanted coats to homeless people and those in need.

The initiative, which is run by charity HandsOn London, is now in its 12th year, and Londoners are again asked to donate their unused and old coats, which will be given to homeless shelters and charities in the lead-up to winter.

Collections will be taking place on Monday November 7, Tuesday November 8 and Wednesday November 9 between 7am and 11am at King's Cross St Pancras, Liverpool Street, London Bridge, Moorgate and Waterloo stations.

TfL skills development trainer and WrapUp London coordinator, Faeem Ahmed, said: 'WrapUp London is a simple yet effective method for all of us to connect with our great city's most vulnerable and make a real positive difference to their lives. Please donate a coat if you can.'

Over the past 11 years, more than 200,000 coats have been donated by generous Londoners.

For more information about the scheme and to find local collection points, go to www.handsonlondon.org.uk/wrap-uplondon



Coat of arms: Londoners are asked to donate unwanted coats for those in need

No step-free access at Hounslow West station

THERE will be no step-free access at Hounslow West station from Monday until mid-December, owing to maintenance work.

Customers who need step-free access to Hounslow West are advised to exit at Hounslow East and use bus route 81, 203,

222, H32 or H98 from Hounslow bus station. Anyone who is travelling from Hounslow West should use the same bus routes to Hounslow bus station and use Hounslow East station.

For help planning a journey, visit tfl.gov.uk

Check ahead for planned strikes from tomorrow

CUSTOMERS are advised to check before they travel as planned strike action by the RMT union on Thursday November 10 will impact Tube and London Overground services.

There will also be strike action on national rail services tomorrow and on Monday 7 and Wednesday 9 November that will affect some services on the London Underground, London Overground and the Elizabeth line.

Most of TfL's other services are expected to run as normal but may be busier than usual.

Disruption from the strikes will continue to affect customers into the mornings of Sunday 6, Tuesday 8, Thursday 10 and Friday 11 November, with many services not operating before 8am.

For the most up-to-date information and to check the status of your travel, visit the webpage at tfl.gov.uk/strikes