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Buses to replace trains on branch line during G7 summit

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Great Western Railway (GWR) will operate a Rail Replacement Service along the Cornish Branch line route between St Erth and St Ives during the G7 summit in June.

The replacement service will be in operation from Monday 7 June until Monday 14 June inclusive with train services resuming on Tuesday 15 June.

This is to allow Devon & Cornwall Police and the security services to set up secure zones around locations involved in the summit.

Full details of the replacement service will be available shortly and we ask customers to check GWR.com for future updates.

At present customers should continue to follow Government guidelines. Find out more at gwr.com/safety.

As more people return to rail after the easement of lockdown restrictions, GWR has also been working hard to welcome people back on to its services.

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This includes:

- A 24% increase in cleaning hours every week since March 2020
- Sanitising (fogging) of 1,120 vehicles every 4 weeks
- Carrying out 2,150 on board surface tests (ATP) every four weeks, to ensure the effectiveness of our cleaning
- 272 train cleaning processes reviewed, and many adapted
- Hand sanitising facilities at key stations across its network.

The train operator has also provided extra staff at key stations to offer help and guidance; and processes in place to help customers maintain a safe distance where possible.

GWR is encouraging customers to continue to travel safely. People are reminded to:

- Wear a face covering
- Travel at quieter times where possible
- Wash your hands more regularly
- Buy tickets online, on a smart card or by using the GWR app

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