

Important weekend engineering work on the Essex Thameside line

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Weekend engineering work will be taking place on the Essex Thameside line as part of important renewals and maintenance to keep the railway running reliably and safely.

Engineers will be working on the overhead electrical systems, replacing sections of old rail with new rail, and important maintenance work will also be taking place to keep vital systems in good order. This weekend work will affect various c2c passenger services between Barking and Shoeburyness on the following weekends:

- Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 October (Barking to Pitsea via Laindon)
- Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 October (Upminster to Pitsea via Laindon)
- Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October (Upminster to Pitsea via Laindon)

- Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 October (Upminster to Pitsea via Laindon)
- Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 November (Barking to Pitsea via Laindon)
- Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 November (Barking to Pitsea via Laindon)
- Sunday 26 November (Dagenham Dock to Pitsea and Leigh-on-Sea to Shoeburyness)

Engineering work will also be taking place between Pitsea and Shoeburyness on Sunday 15, 22 and 29 October.

On the 19th and 18th November there will also be engineering between Ockendon and Upminster.

A bus replacement service will be in place to allow passengers to complete their journey. Weekend passengers using c2c services are advised to leave extra time and check their weekend journey plans before travelling by visiting nationalrail.co.uk, or by via your train operator, c2c.co.uk

Katie Frost, Network Rail's route director for Anglia, said: "We're continuing to work on sections of the Essex Thameside line to undertake important maintenance and renewals work so that we can keep trains running reliably and safely. Thank you for your patience while we carry out this important work."

A c2c spokesperson said: "The work Network Rail is carrying out over the coming weeks is essential in keeping services running safely and reliably in the longer term.

"Some of our services will be operating differently than normal with rail replacement in operation on parts of our route. We would ask that our customers check before they travel."

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