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Rail commuters across the South have faced disruption this morning as Storm Claudio hit the region.

An article from ITV said the operator Southern warned of delays after a trampoline was found on the line between Brighton and Worthing. Commuters had to take buses between Brighton, Shoreham and Littlehampton.

The Met Office has a yellow weather warning in place for wind for the south until 8am on Tuesday, warning the weather could cause further disruption.

Network Rail has completed the installation of 121 new overhead electrification structures as part of the wider project to upgrade and remodel Carstairs Junction.

The work is part of a phased programme of investment in the key junction on the West Coast Main Line which will simplify and upgrade the track-layout.

This will clear an existing bottleneck on the network and enable the separation of non-stop passenger and freight trains from those stopping at the station.

The work at Carstairs is part of an investment of more than £100m in the junction to simplify the track layout and modernise signalling through one of the most critical sections of the Scottish rail network.

Read the full story [here](#).

Nine stations in Lincolnshire will have new smart ticketing kiosks by the end of the year, as East Midlands Railway seeks to make buying tickets easier and more affordable for customers.

An article from the Lincolnite said the new machines will allow customers to buy both advance and walk-in train tickets as a printed barcode, rather than the traditional orange paper tickets.

The kiosks will be installed across Lincolnshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Nottinghamshire and Staffordshire - with 29 set to be in place by the end of 2022.

Finally, passengers who are supported by assistance dogs are set for an easier ride on train journeys, as rail companies launch a campaign to help raise awareness.

The scheme will see people with physical disabilities or mental health problems provided with a laminated card, which they can use as an aid to explain why their assistance dog needs to sit under an unoccupied seat.

As part of the scheme assistance dog owners can also book a free extra seat in advance for their dog to lie under, with cards supporting owners on services where they are unable to book a seat in advance.

Read the full story [here](#).