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Several London Tube stations remain closed on Thursday morning after a strike and engineering works.

An article on The Standard says Tower Hill Tube station, on the District and Circle Lines, remains closed after Wednesday's TSSA strike while Kentish Town continues to be closed for repair works on the escalators.

Other stations which had been forced to stay shut on Thursday morning, such as Hyde Park Corner, Southwark, and Warwick Avenue have since reopened.

Meanwhile, Greater Anglia train services running through Stratford may be cancelled because of signalling failures in the Lea Bridge area.

Southern trains running from London Victoria to Havant and Brighton are also disrupted after a “failure of the electrical supply” closed some lines.

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Network Rail has appointed Liam Sumpter to the role of Managing Director for Network Rail in Scotland.

This follows the recent announcement that Alex Hynes has been seconded to the role of Director General, Rail Services at the Department for Transport for a period of two years. Liam will officially take up his new post, on secondment for the same two-year period, from Monday 15 April 2024.

Scottish Rail Holdings has also announced that Joanne Maguire has been appointed interim Managing Director of ScotRail.

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A bid to preserve a “spectacular” bridge in “one of the most picturesque spots” along a heritage railway has been launched by campaigners.

An article on the BBC website says about £1.3m is needed to maintain the Higher Woodhill Viaduct on the East Lancashire Railway (ELR), which was last repaired in 1932.

Mike Kelly, chairman of ELR said the section was a favourite of visitors.

He said the charity needed to raise about £50,000 for the viaduct before it could bid for a government grant.

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Rail firm Northern has said it will continue to play classical music at 35 stations to combat bad behaviour.

An article on the BBC website says works “inspired by Handel, Beethoven and Mozart” are piped out over public address systems at certain times.

The music was rolled out to more than 20 additional places last April following a pilot scheme at nine sites.

Northern said it had led to a “reduction” in reports of large groups loitering at its stations in the North West and North East of England.