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A £95 million rail project to upgrade signalling on the line linking Portsmouth with Guildford and London is set to start.

The article on the BBC says work starting on Saturday will see a nine-day closure between Guildford and Petersfield.

The Network Rail programme is expected to be completed by late 2024.

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HS2 has moved towards diesel free construction sites with three fully electric crawler cranes arriving at sites in London. It follows the UK's first trial of an electric crawler crane at HS2's Curzon Street Station site in Birmingham last year.

There are only five of these 100 per cent emissions-free, giant Liebherr cranes in the world and three are being used for the first time in the UK at HS2's Old Oak Common site and Canterbury Road vent shaft site.

They will cut carbon, improve air quality and reduce noise, making sites cleaner and safer for site workers and local communities.

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Improving the customer experience is essential to attract passengers back to rail to create a financially sustainable industry.

That's the message from the Rail Supply Group's (RSG) [Rail Sector Deal survey](#), the results of which have been revealed today.

It was undertaken by independent market researchers Savanta ComRes. The survey results show that suppliers believe opportunities are available by using digital technology, and accelerating innovation through collaboration which is the number one priority for suppliers.

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A husky which was seen running along live railway tracks was saved by police last night.

An article on Kent Online says officers from British Transport Police, Kent Police and Network Rail rescued the dog after a member of the public saw it running down the tracks at Maidstone Barracks station.

Sticking with animal rescues and the Daily Mail features a story from America about a Cooper's hawk who was rescued from a Bronx subway after it's thought to have chased a pigeon in – but couldn't figure a way out.

The hawk had been squatting in the station where it was seen perched on a pipe for the past few days.

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