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A rail pass for staycation Britons is to be launched this year to help tourism to recover.

An article in the Daily Express says it will be similar to the BritRail pass which gives international visitors unlimited train travel within chosen zones and duration.

Those passes, which also provide discounted entry to tourism attractions, range in cost from £96 for two

days to £568 for a month, said retailer Trainline.

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Transport for London is facing a “haemorrhaging” of top staff scared off by cuts required as part of its latest £1 billion COVID-19 bail-out, it can be revealed.

That’s according to the Evening Standard that says the terms of the government deal require TfL to find £900 million of savings this financial year, implement a pay freeze possibly until April 2023 and review its staff pension scheme.

TfL commissioner Andy Byford said news of the deal had created “uncertainty” among TfL’s 26,000-strong workforce and warned the “haemorrhaging” of staff was a “real issue”.

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Transport for Wales has set a target of no net loss of biodiversity in its operations by 2024 as part of an ambitious new Biodiversity Action Plan launched.

Under the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs’ biodiversity metric for guidance, Tfw is aiming to achieve no net loss of biodiversity through its work and, where possible, a biodiversity net gain.

The Biodiversity Action Plan sets out the principles Transport for Wales will embrace to ensure the organisation protects, enhances and champions wildlife, biodiversity and our ecosystems throughout its work.

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LNER has unveiled a series of black sand sculptures to highlight that aeroplanes and cars have higher emissions than trains in the starkest yet campaign against its competitors.

The article features in the The Scotsman, that says the cross-Border operator’s move earned a rebuke from Scottish airline Loganair which said transport firms should focus on putting their own houses in order rather than “bashing” each other.

LNER’s campaign comes as the latest salvo against its rivals as part of a long-running battle initiated by its predecessors to persuade more air passengers to switch to trains to win more of the lucrative market between Scotland and London.

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