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Rail passengers across the country face significant disruption today as workers from the Aslef union walk out in a long-running dispute over pay.

An article on the Sky News website says Aslef members in more than a dozen train operators will strike on Friday with more walk-outs planned for 31 May and 3 June – the day of the FA Cup final in Wembley.

Meanwhile, members of the Rail, Maritime and Transport union (RMT) will strike on Saturday as thousands make their way to the Eurovision Song Contest final in Liverpool.

Passengers travelling today and tomorrow have been urged to check their route before setting off.

People have been urged to tell planning inspectors what they think of a proposed 662 acre (268 hectare) rail hub in Leicestershire.

An article on the BBC website says developer Tritax Symmetry wants to build the Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange (HNRFI) in countryside between the town and Leicester.

The government will have the final say on the £750m scheme, which is opposed by some local councillors, because it is deemed to be a project important to national infrastructure.

Orange Train Wash (OTW) and GCRE Limited have agreed an innovative commercial partnership at Railtex 2023.

The deal signed at the industry conference in Birmingham will see OTW demonstrate its train washer at the £400m Global Centre of Rail Excellence currently being constructed in south Wales.

The deal builds on the partnership first set out in September 2022, with Orange Train Wash this week signing a Heads of Terms to become a commercial client of the facility.

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York-based escorted tour and river cruise provider Great Rail Journeys has appointed a chief operating officer.

Steve Lee has been promoted to the role, having joined the company in June 2021 as business development and operations director. He will be responsible for Great Rail Journeys' operations globally.

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