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Former Prime Minister Theresa May has joined train operator Great Western Railway's independent stakeholder advisory board, where she will help to provide opinion and oversight.

The former PM joins a 12-strong board of experts after being invited to join by the current chair, Lord Faulkner of Worcester.

Mrs May will receive no payment and no complimentary travel but will attend up to six meetings a year with the GWR senior team.

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Scottish Transport Minister has announced a new station in Berwickshire will open to services on Monday 23 May, the Border Telegraph reports.

The £20 million Reston Station in East Berwickshire, which has been in development since early 2021, will improve access to rail services in the Scottish Borders.

The new station will be served by cross border operators including TransPennine Express and LNER services.

Enabling works are underway on the first phase of a £26m revamp of Sunderland Central Station, Insider Media reports.

Contractor BAM Nuttall is delivering the works, with phase one seeing the southern entrance of the station transformed into a bright point of arrival for visitors travelling by train and metro.

Works are taking place ahead of the planned closure and demolition of the south entrance, which is expected to take place at the end of April.

Finally, train operator Southern Railway is supporting an initiative to help the unemployed, homeless and vulnerable in East Sussex by donating abandoned bikes to a recycling programme.

Bikes that had been left unclaimed and in storage at Southern's depot in Horsham have been delivered by van to the Sussex Community Development Association's workshop in Newhaven to support the Association's 'Get Socially Active/Recycle programme'.

The bikes will be used by local unemployed people, who will learn how to renovate them and return them to roadworthiness, gaining practical skills, work experience and support on routes to employment.

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