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Rail passengers are set to experience more travel strike chaos today, as tens of thousands of workers walk out in a long-running dispute over pay, jobs and conditions.

An article on the ITV website says the fresh round of strikes, beginning today, will be staged by workers from Network Rail and 14 train companies.

Rail services are drastically reduced, with only around a fifth running, and half of all lines closed.

On Friday, London Underground and bus workers in the capital will also walk out.

Meanwhile an article in the Evening Standard says the union leader has warned the rail dispute could be prolonged “indefinitely” as the latest strike by thousands of workers caused travel misery for passengers.

Mick Lynch, general secretary of the Rail, Maritime and Transport union (RMT), called on the government to end its stance of refusing to get involved in talks over pay, jobs and conditions.

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The Bradford district’s world-famous steam heritage railway could become a major transport hub and commuter route as part of a £5 million scheme.

An article in the Telegraph and Argus says upgraded signalling would enable more services to be run on the five-mile Keighley & Worth Valley Railway, which links Keighley and Oxenhope via Haworth.

And the railway’s fleet of diesel multiple units would be overhauled, with a dedicated storage and maintenance facility being created.

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The final phase restoration of Barmouth Viaduct is to be split, with the aim of reducing passenger disruption as it benefits from additional repairs.

Network Rail has confirmed the Grade II listed viaduct will be open for busy October half term and Christmas period – with extra work planned to secure the vital rail link’s future for generations to come.

The final stage of refurbishment – originally planned to take place in one go this autumn – will be split across the next two years, to reduce the impact on rail services, the community and local economy.

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London North Eastern Railway (LNER) is proud to reveal that more than £400,000 has been raised for its partner charity Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM) thanks to fundraising activities supported by customers and colleagues.

The major milestone has been achieved less than four years since the partnership was launched, with the money raised helping to support the charity’s work to help prevent suicide through its life-saving helpline.

Customers have donated £196,997 through Delay Repay compensation and many have donated credit built up through LNER’s loyalty scheme, LNER Perks.

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