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A multi billion-pound rail upgrade set to support faster, greener and more reliable journeys in West Yorkshire has been given the green light.

An article on Insider Media Limited says Network Rail has been given the go-ahead for a project that is set to transform train journeys between Huddersfield and Westtown (Dewsbury) as part of the Transpennine Route Upgrade.

The Transport and Works Act Order, which is required for any project that involves building new sections of

railway outside of the existing boundaries, was approved by the secretary of state for transport earlier this week, six months earlier than planned, kickstarting progress on the plans and designs.

The project is one of the biggest applications ever made by Network Rail.

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A train company is advising people not to travel on its services on Saturday because of a strike by drivers in a dispute over pay.

The article in the Evening Standard says Greater Anglia said more than 90 per cent of its services will not run because of a 24-hour walkout by members of Aslef, affecting leisure travellers and fans going to concerts by Adele and Guns N' Roses.

There will be no regional or branch line services and other services will be dramatically reduced.

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A new Siemens train factory which is due to create 700 jobs in Goole, along with 1,700 more in the supply chain, has been given a further multi-million pound boost.

An article on Hull Live says the £200 million Goole Railway Village, first announced in 2018, is now nearing completion. Local politicians have described it as an opportunity to "put Goole on the map".

Now, a further £7 million is being invested into a new components facility at the site, which make parts for London Underground trains. The latest development is likely to create 30 additional jobs.

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Brand new trains that will transform and improve transport throughout Wales and the borders have been on show at Chester railway station.

The article on Wales 247 says, assembled by CAF at their factory in Newport, the first Class 197 train with its 'Made in Wales' tag was revealed to the public today, offering a taste of what's to come for customers in the next few months.

TfW (Transport for Wales) are spending £800 million on new trains throughout their network and the Class 197 will be the first of the brand-new stock to enter service in North Wales before the end of this year.

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