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The railway through Troon station is set to reopen tomorrow.

Trains have been unable to pass through the station since a serious fire badly damaged station buildings last Saturday.

No train services will stop at Troon, where engineers are continuing their work to make the building safe.

Updates on the reintroduction of services to the station will be made as those recovery works progress.

Avanti West Coast has kicked-off the UK's biggest ever train fleet upgrade this week, as the first Pendolino was taken out of service for work to begin on the £117 million project.

The programme will transform all 56 of Avanti West Coast's iconic Pendolinos. The trains have clocked up more than 270 million miles since they were launched - enough to go to the moon and back more than 500 times.

The Pendolinos have served routes between London, Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, Glasgow, and Edinburgh for close to 20 years and the upgrade will return the whole Pendolino fleet to an 'as new' condition.

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Christian Schreyer has been announced as the new Group Chief Executive of the Go-Ahead Group plc.

His appointment follows David Brown's decision to retire from the role by the end of the year. He will step down in November and retire at the end of the year to support a smooth transition.

Christian says: "While digital disruption and the COVID-19 pandemic have been giving the transport market a difficult time, the industry faces many opportunities."

The new President of the Institution of Railway Signal Engineers (IRSE) has spoken of his vision to increase the global influence of the organisation.

Ian Bridges is the cover feature of the latest RailDirector magazine, which can now be viewed online for free.

The launch of July's magazine online comes days after hard copies were delivered to more than 2,200 rail industry leaders and subscribers.

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