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Andy Byford, the Transport for London (TfL) chief who helped steer the capital's bus and Tube networks through the most financially precarious periods in their history, has resigned weeks after securing a new long-term funding deal.

An article on the Sky News website says that his departure as TfL commissioner will be announced this morning.

His exit after nearly two-and-a-half years in the job will leave the London mayor, Sadiq Khan, searching for a successor who can build on the outgoing chief's legacy.

He is expected to leave before the end of the year.

Trains operated by Northern were the target of almost 70 dangerous attacks over the past 12 months, the firm said.

An article on the BBC website says since last August, there have been 42 attacks involving bricks or rocks being thrown at trains from bridges and railway embankments.

There were also 27 collisions when shopping trolleys, pushchairs and bikes had been placed on the tracks.

The train operator has released details of the incidents as part of an appeal to raise awareness.

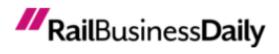
An Aberdeen teenager has told how he broke down in tears after becoming ScotRail's first deaf modern apprentice. Ross Henderson has seen his confidence soar since landing the role at the city's railway station in 2021.

An article on Aberdeen Live says Ross, 19, shared his story as part of the International Week of Deaf People and hopes other people with disabilities will be encouraged to take on a new role.

ScotRail said it wants to create wider opportunities for women, disabled people and members of the black, Asian and ethnic minority community. This is after decades of having a male-dominated workforce.

A multi-million-pound resilience project has been successfully delivered on the Cambrian Line, making passengers' journeys more reliable in the future.

A trio of storms in February 2022 forced the railway between Welshpool and Newtown to close for six weeks while engineers from Network Rail and AmcoGiffen worked around the clock to fix more than a



dozen washouts caused by unprecedented levels of flood water.

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