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Disruption is continuing on Britain's railways today as a dispute over jobs, pay and conditions remains deadlocked.

Members of the Rail, Maritime and Transport union (RMT) at Network Rail and 13 train operators went on strike on Tuesday and Thursday, with a third walkout planned on Saturday.



The article in the Mirror says travel chaos will continue today, with only 60 per cent of trains running, mainly because of a delay to the start of services as signallers and control room staff did not turn up for overnight shifts.

Sticking with the strikes and an article on the Mail Online says union leader Mick Lynch has said that strikers will 'take a pause next week and consider everything' as the rail union boss predicted that managers and drivers will be joining the walkouts soon.

HS2's civils partner, Balfour Beatty VINCI (BBV), has opened the doors to its giant construction compound in Kingsbury, Warwickshire and revealed the scale of works underway ready to build one of the most complex sections of the HS2 route – the Delta Junction.

The 550,000 square metre site (equivalent to 74 football pitches) is already a hive of activity and will soon become the workplace for around 1,000 people tasked with building the high speed line on a network of viaducts crossing motorways, roads and footpaths.

This summer, work will begin on the production of almost 3,000 precision designed concrete segments, ready to create the network of nine viaducts that will form part of the Delta Junction, a triangular section of line where the new railway curves west towards Birmingham and runs north towards Crewe.

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Plans for a new exhibition building at Locomotion, Shildon have been approved by Durham County Council, marking a key milestone in the museum's Vision 2025 development.

The plans were approved by a Durham County Council planning committee at a meeting held yesterday.

The building, which will be known as 'New Hall', will house up to 50 vehicles from the national collection and will mean that Locomotion will be home to the largest undercover collection of heritage rail vehicles in the world.

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