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Thousands of rail workers prepare to deliver an £88 million programme of engineering work over the Easter bank holiday weekend (Friday, April 7th to Monday April 10th).

Whilst the vast majority of the network – more than 95 per cent – will be unaffected by the engineering work taking place, there will be disruption on some routes, so passengers should visit National Rail Enquiries or their train operator's website to check the status of their journey before travelling.

More than 12,000 metres of new rail and 33,000 tonnes of ballast will be laid over the long weekend amongst other major projects being undertaken to boost reliability and performance across Britain.

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Work is underway to install a temporary bridge structure and build a road to enable the demolition and reconstruction of the Bawbee Brig in Leven as part of the construction of the new Levenmouth rail link.

An article on Fife Today says construction of the new temporary A955 crossing will support 18,000 vehicle movements per day during major work to demolish the old bridge which sits above the site of the new Leven station.

Given its location, the reconstruction is being delivered as part of the wider Scottish-Government funded programme of railway works.

Blaby District Council in Leicestershire is to scrutinise the new application submitted by developer Tritax Symmetry for the Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange (HNRFI) to the Planning Inspectorate.

The article on the Rail Advent website says the company withdrew its original application at the start of the month as the Planning Inspectorate required it to carry out further work on the greenhouse gas emissions and embodied carbon from the proposed highway works.

The resubmission restarts the acceptance phase of the process.

Network Rail has warned people not to risk their lives by copying an online video in which a man crosses a railway line after lifting the closed barriers.

The article on the BBC website says the incident was captured on camera at a level crossing in Lincoln earlier this month.

It was posted on TikTok and has attracted more than 2.6 million views.

Elisha Allen from Network Rail described it as “incredibly dangerous behaviour” adding the person involved was “lucky to be alive”.

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