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Passengers in Scotland have been warned to expect significant travel disruption on Sundays with some services being cancelled because of strike action by the RMT.

Conductors will be taking part in the industrial action for six consecutive Sundays, starting this Sunday, over calls for overtime payment increases

The RMT says the industrial action by ScotRail conductors is a fight for equality and justice over enhanced payments for rest day working.

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More than nine-million pounds is being made available to Transport for Wales to take forward work on the North Wales metro.

The article features in the North Wales Chronicle, saying that about £900,000 is being allocated towards a study of the North Wales Coast mainline, with a view to improve journey times on certain services.

A total of £1 million will be used to improve rail journey times between Wrexham and Liverpool; £1.5 million is provided towards the new integrated station at Shotton and £670,000 towards the development of Deeside Parkway.

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Ambitious plans to re-open a railway line in Gloucestershire are moving forward, and the team behind the proposals say the multi-million pound project will go ahead.

An article on Gloucester Live says the Cirencester Community Railway Project has been set up in a bid to restore the railway line between Kemble and Cirencester – closed by Dr Beeching in the 1960s.

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The Railway Industry Association (RIA) has announced its new RailDecarb21 campaign, calling on the Government to redouble its efforts to decarbonise the rail network, ahead of COP26 later this year.

Launched in a speech by RIA Chief Executive Darren Caplan at the EuroRail Hub Conference, RailDecarb21 calls on the Government to begin a rolling programme of electrification.

It also calls for the start of fleet orders of hydrogen and battery rolling stock in order to meet the UK's 'Net Zero by 2050' target and to show global leadership ahead of the Climate Change Conference in Glasgow.

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