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The preferred route of a £5 billion rail project is set to be announced.

An article on the BBC website says the government is due to confirm the Bedford to Cambridge section of the East-West Rail project as part of its life sciences plans.

It said the line would “improve connections between UK science powerhouses Oxford and Cambridge”.

Transport Secretary Mark Harper said it would be “vital in allowing them to thrive for generations to come”.

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A total of £80 million has been spent to make the Dawlish sea wall safe during extreme weather and provide the public with an accessible footpath.

An article on the ITV website says money has been spent on the sea wall to protect the vital rail link to the south west. The wall is now eight metres high, 2.5 metres taller than the previous one.

More than 400 metres of new promenade and fully accessible public areas opened to the public on Thursday 25 May.

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HS2 Ltd has received Schedule 17 approval for a 150-metre section of viaduct carrying trains into Birmingham’s new Curzon Street Station, including a 25-metre-high truss which will create a new icon on the city’s skyline.

Birmingham City Council have approved the design of the Curzon No.2 viaduct, which is the tallest structure in the sequence of viaducts and structures that make up the Curzon Street Approaches taking HS2 trains into Birmingham.

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The National Railway Museum has partnered with York Archaeology to carry out excavations on site as part of their Vision 2025 programme of redevelopment.

An area in the museum’s Great Hall outdoor courtyard is currently the subject of exploration and is potentially home to objects from Roman and Medieval times.

The dig is being carried out by a team from York Archaeology and is designed to uncover any historically important artefacts that may be buried under the museum’s current site from bygone eras, ahead of extensive redevelopment work.

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