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Network Rail is investing £70 million on 550 projects to upgrade the railway over the early May bank holiday.

Between this Saturday and Monday no trains will run to or from London Euston – services will start and finish at Milton Keynes

On the West Coast main line, linking Glasgow Central to London Euston, engineers will renew tracks at several locations including Carstairs, Beattock and Symington South.

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The Department for Transport (DfT) has appointed a former member of parliament as the new HS2 residents' commissioner, to oversee complaints from people such as homeowners over the progress of the scheme.

An article on Construction News says Stewart Jackson has been hired to ensure residents affected by the route have "open and transparent" communication with the body behind the new high-speed rail line and the government.

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HS2's designers and construction contractors have released updated, more environmentally-friendly designs for the Cubbington Area in Warwickshire, reducing the materials and time needed for construction.

Replacing the previous concrete retaining walls, this section of the railway will now run in a V-shaped open cutting with grass slopes on the embankments and with green bridges for both wildlife and the local community.

The new designs raise the high-speed rail line by around two metres, avoiding the need to excavate 150,000 cubic metres of soil – the equivalent of 60 Olympic-sized swimming pools.

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A group of Arriva Rail London colleagues and Railway Benefit Fund representatives have walked the length of the London Euston to Watford Junction London Overground route, raising money for the charity's annual appeal, Railway Family Week.

The group walked between the 19 London Overground stations on the route, covering approximately 20 miles or 32 kilometres in total.

They stopped in at stations for much-needed refreshments and encouragement from colleagues along the way, and completed the walk in just under 11 hours.

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