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The rail industry is warning passengers to only travel if absolutely necessary on Saturday, as the publication of the reduced timetable confirms just 11 per cent of rail services will be in operation amid coordinated strike action by the RMT, TSSA and Aslef unions.

As was the case for 'strike days' in June, July and August, thousands of specially-trained and fully qualified back-up staff will step in during the walkouts to keep vital services running for those who need them.

But, given that this is the first time the RMT, Aslef and TSSA have walked out on the same day, services will be even more significantly disrupted.

Closing a level crossing used by thousands of walkers is the only way "to reduce risk to an acceptable level", Network Rail has said.

The rail network body has submitted plans to North Yorkshire County Council to replace the crossing at Horton in Ribblesdale Station with a bridge.

The crossing has been assessed as "high-risk", largely due to the volume of hikers and runners using it.

Opponents have called for a full study of the impact on the area's heritage.

Bond Street's Elizabeth line station will open on Monday 24 October, subject to final approvals.

The opening of the station will further transform travel across London and the South East by providing a new link to one of the busiest shopping districts in Europe ahead of the busy festive period.

The station will soon be transferred to London Underground, who will operate this station in the heart of the West End. London Underground will conclude their familiarisation and final trials before welcoming the first Elizabeth line customers in just four weeks.

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Edinburgh Trams have their fingers crossed for success at the forthcoming Global Light Rail Awards as they are up for two awards – including the Rising Star category as well as Significant Safety Initiative Award.

An article on British Trams Online says Marilena Papadopoulou has been nominated for the Rising Star Award having been at Edinburgh Trams since 2014 and in that time has risen through the ranks whilst also

undergoing treatment for cancer.

She started off as a Ticketing Services Assistant and is now Renewals Manager where she is responsible for the 10 year programme with a budget of £50 million.

The award ceremony takes place on Wednesday 5th October at the Honourable Artillery Company in London.

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