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Train drivers in Scotland could strike for the first time in 20 years after what unions described as a “derisory” pay offer from bosses at the new state-owned operator ScotRail.

That’s according to an article in the *i* newspaper, that says Aslef representatives said they were left disappointed after a meeting with the company on Monday to discuss a pay increase amid rising inflation and the cost of living crisis.

The article says that it is understood that ScotRail offered drivers a 2.2 per cent increase, which Aslef said did not recognise the financial pressures that many employees were under.

Joanne Maguire, ScotRail’s chief operating officer said she believed the pay offer was “very good” and described Aslef’s stance as “very disappointing”.

Tim Dunn, Steve Oates, Jo Lewington, Anit Chandarana and Toufic Machnouk will join the now 12-strong board which provides advice and support to the [National Railway Museum’s](#) Senior Management Team on their plans for the future.

The appointments come at a key time for the museum as its Vision 2025 plans start to take shape, with a new interactive space, *Wonderlab: The Bramall Gallery*, due to open in May 2023.

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The Bruton Way entrance to Gloucester Railway Station is set to be closed for up to twelve weeks as improvements are made to make the access safer for pedestrians.

An article on Greatest Hits Radio says work will start on Monday, 9 May and is planned to last for twelve weeks.

More emphasis will be placed on greener, more sustainable ways of traveling to the station, such as walking, with these upgrades.

HS2 says the first of two mini tunnelling machines that will be used near Great Missenden will be named ‘Lizzie’ after the name was chosen by students from the nearby The Misbourne school.

The Year 8 students visited the site last week to see the arrival of the 19 tonne Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) which they suggested naming after the Queen.

At just 8.9 meters long, the TBM is a miniature version of the two giant 170m machines – named ‘Florence’ and ‘Cecilia’ – that are currently excavating the 10-mile-long Chiltern tunnel for the high-speed rail project which will link London with Birmingham and the North.

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