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Passengers in the west of Scotland are still likely to experience transport cuts despite the approval of a £9 million government rescue package, the head of Glasgow's subway operator has warned.

That's according to an article in The Herald, following the financial support announced by Transport Secretary Michael Matheson for the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) and Edinburgh Trams.

While welcoming the funding, Dr Martin Bartos, chair of SPT, said it failed to cover losses incurred from March to June and 'does not recognise the changed landscape which future public transport faces beyond September'.

Chris Packham has taken his fight against the HS2 rail scheme to the Court of Appeal today.

The article on Stoke-on-Trent Live says the TV presenter is appealing against the refusal for permission to seek an emergency injunction to stop works he claims would cause destruction or 'irreversible and irreparable loss' to ancient woodland sites.

He applied for the order as part of an attempt to bring a legal challenge over the Government's decision to give the green light to the project.

He is due to appeal against the High court ruling today, with his case heard at the Court of Appeal.

Network Rail has released land for a development to install 40 factory-made houses next to Beeston station in Nottinghamshire.

The article in The Times says the deal with Ilke Homes is part of Network Rail's strategy to release under-used land for development.

Profits will be reinvested in the railway.

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Finally, and Avanti West Coast has treated those missing rail travel to a new video giving viewers an inside-look from the unique viewpoint of a train driver.

The eight-part video series, 'Tales from the Track', was recorded during lockdown and showcases the West Coast Main Line from inside the driver's cab.

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