

Network Rail to replace 1,000 metres of track in Nuneaton and install new signalling equipment

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Nine days of work is taking place later this month as part of a £58 million investment to improve the West Coast main line through the West Midlands.

Network Rail will replace 1,000 metres of track in Nuneaton and install new signalling equipment in Stafford between Saturday 22 and Sunday 30 October.

For the Trent Valley line upgrade work to take place the railway will be closed for nine days.

Passengers are being advised that journeys will take longer, could involve rail replacement bus services and that timetables will be different.

With the work coinciding with the school half-term holidays, people are being encouraged to plan ahead by using www.nationalrail.co.uk.

Dave Penney, Network Rail passenger director for the North West and Central region, said: “These major track and signalling improvements on the Trent Valley line will mean better, smoother and more reliable journeys for passengers and freight in future.

“However, complex upgrades like these mean we have no choice but to close sections of railway for old sections of track to be ripped up and replaced with new, and for new signalling equipment to be installed and tested.

“Given this work is over the half-term holidays I’d urge anyone planning to travel between 22 – 30 October to please check National Rail Enquiries to plan their journeys. I’d also like to thank passengers in advance for their patience.”

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