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## Work under way to assess fire damage at Troon station

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Following the serious fire at Troon station on Saturday, 17 July, ScotRail is advising customers will not be able to travel by train from Glasgow Central to Ayr until Friday, 23 July at the earliest.

Services from Glasgow Central to Ayr will start and terminate at Kilwinning.

Replacement bus transport will be provided from Tuesday, 20 July, however, customers should check their journey on the ScotRail app or ScotRail's social media channels before setting out.

To allow for physical distancing, space on the replacement buses will be limited.

Work to make the fire-damaged areas of the Troon station building safe is underway and this will allow for engineers to complete safety checks on the overhead lines, platforms, and the track.

Glasgow – Largs / Ardrossan services are running normally.

On Sunday Network Rail said it was assessing the full extent of structural damage following the serious



fire.

The blaze caused extensive damage to the station building on platform one as well as an overhead power cable. Because of this, the train operator and Network Rail closed the line until the structural integrity of the building has been assessed.

Meanwhile the Heritage Railway Trust says it has offered £500,000 to Network Rail towards the restoration of the station.

A Network Rail spokesperson said: "Teams are working hard on site to understand the full extent of damage this fire has caused to both Troon station and the railway network. Once our structural surveys are complete we have colleagues at the ready to begin work on the recovery operation."

Nobody was injured in the fire and while the exact cause of the blaze is unknown, police have confirmed it was not started deliberately.

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