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## Chance for rail passengers at Leighton Buzzard to have their say

Passengers at Leighton Buzzard will be able to discuss their rail service with bosses from London Northwestern Railway at a special event later this week.

As part of the 'Whistle Stop Tour' initiative, LNR officials will be on hand to answer questions during the evening peak at the busy station from 5pm to 7pm on Friday 25 October.

In May, LNR introduced a new timetable with more peak services, increased capacity and both earlier and later departures from London Euston

throughout the week. The changes benefited passengers travelling for work and leisure – including those using rail services during evenings and weekends.

Jonny Wiseman, customer experience director for London Northwestern Railway, said:

“Our timetable improvements introduced more direct services to destinations across our network and improved capacity on some of our busiest services.

“We look forward to meeting passengers when the 'Whistle Stop Tour' visits Leighton Buzzard and hearing what they have to say about our services and timetables.”

Officials will be at Leighton Buzzard station from 1700 - 1900 on Friday 25 October.

For more information and to find out more about future 'Whistle Stop Tour' dates go to [londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk/whistle-stop-tour](http://londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk/whistle-stop-tour)

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## About West Midlands Trains

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West Midlands Trains operates both West Midlands Railway and London Northwestern Railway services.

- **London Northwestern Railway** services operate between Liverpool and Birmingham, and on the West Coast mainline to and from London Euston.
- **West Midlands Railway** services operate to destinations across the West Midlands via Birmingham New Street.

For more information on these services visit [westmidlandsrailway.co.uk](http://westmidlandsrailway.co.uk) or [londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk](http://londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk)

The West Midlands Trains franchise started on 10 December 2017 and will run until 2025/26.

West Midlands Trains operates 1,300 services a day, manages 150 stations and provides over 70 million passenger journeys a year. Over the course of the franchise, West Midlands Trains will be investing £1 billion into the rail network to deliver new trains, improved routes and station upgrades. This will include 400 new train carriages across the network and space for an extra 85,000 passengers into Birmingham and London at peak times.

The franchise is a joint venture between Abellio (70.1% share) and East Japan Railway Company / Mitsui & Co., Ltd (29.9% share in a 50:50 split). Abellio is the international passenger transport subsidiary of the Dutch national railway company, Nederlandse Spoorwegen. In the UK, Abellio operates ScotRail and Greater Anglia train services, Merseyrail services in a joint venture with Serco and buses through Abellio London. For more information visit [www.abellio.com](http://www.abellio.com)

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