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Storm Ciara: Passengers advised not to travel

Following a number of storm-related incidents across the network, West Midlands Railway (WMR) and London Northwestern Railway (LNR) are advising passengers not to travel today.

Incidents including flooding and fallen trees have led to the temporary closure of a number of sections of track across the country.

The impact of these closures is causing extensive disruption to journeys, particularly around Birmingham New Street, and passengers are advised not to travel.

As of 2.30pm, trains are not able to run on the following routes:

- **Northampton - Birmingham**
- **Birmingham - Wolverhampton - Crewe**
- **Cross City North (West Midlands)**
- **Coventry - Leamington Spa**
- **Crewe - Liverpool**

Services will continue to run where possible to ensure as many passengers as possible already on the network can complete their journeys.

Tickets purchased for travel today will be accepted on WMR and LNR services tomorrow (Monday).

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 or 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 80 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

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