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West Midlands Railway issues passenger advice during year-long Perry Barr station closure

Rail passengers in Birmingham are being reminded to make alternative travel plans when Perry Barr station closes for a year-long redevelopment from next week (w/c May 10).

No trains will call at the station from Monday 10 May 2021 until May 2022 while the existing 1960s building is demolished and replaced with state-of-the-art new facilities.

Station operator West Midlands Railway (WMR) is urging passengers needing to access the rail network to use nearby Witton station during the work, or make use of local bus services.

A dedicated website with information for WMR customers on alternative travel options, local bus routes, season tickets and refunds can be found [here](#).

Jonny Wiseman, WMR customer experience director, said:

"The current station building at Perry Barr is in need of improvement work and this welcome modernisation project will make a real difference to our customers.

"Due to the scale of the work required it has not been possible to keep the station open and I am urging passengers who need access to the railway to plan their travel carefully.

"Our team at Perry Barr are already looking forward to welcoming customers back to their new station building next year."

New facilities in line for Perry Barr station include a revamped ticket office, accessible toilets, lifts, step-free access, attractive planters, improved passenger seating and cycle facilities.

The station is believed to be one of the oldest in the world which has been continuously operated from the same site, having first opened its doors to passengers in north Birmingham back in 1837.

The redevelopment of Perry Barr station is being managed by Transport for the West Midlands, part of the West Midlands Combined Authority, and the West Midlands Rail Executive.

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