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West Midlands Railway: Reduced rail service through Walsall due to emergency track repairs

Rail passengers travelling to and from stations in the Walsall area are being urged to check their journeys today and tomorrow while urgent track repairs are carried out.

West Midlands Railway is running a reduced service to stations including Walsall, Cannock and Rugeley Trent Valley and no trains at all are currently able to serve Bescot Stadium station, with rail replacement in operation.

Network Rail engineers are currently working to repair a damaged set of points. Due to the extent of the damage, it is expected that rail services through the area will continue to be impacted throughout today (Friday) and tomorrow.

Jonny Wiseman, WMR customer experience director, said: "I would like to thank our passengers travelling through the Walsall area for their patience while Network Rail carries out these urgent track repairs.

"A reduced service is expected to be in operation throughout today and tomorrow as some routes are not available. Rail replacement transport is in operation and passengers should leave extra time for their journeys.

"I apologise for the inconvenience to our customers. Any passenger whose journey is delayed by 15 minutes or more as a result of the disruption should claim compensation via the Delay Repay scheme."

Passengers can check live travel information by visiting www.wmr.uk/plan

About West Midlands Trains

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

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