

Wirral Loop Line Track Renewal


Borderland Line Passengers, how might this affect your journey?

Dear Borderlands Line Passenger,

As you may be aware from the posters and leaflets on the Borderlands and Merseyrail Networks from 3rd January 2017 Merseyrail services to and from Liverpool will be temporarily changed so that Network Rail can undertake essential track renewals works on the under river and underground loop sections of the network.

The biggest changes during the works will be to cross river journeys.

The Merseyrail train service stopping at Bidston Station will be amended to a half hourly service. Please see below an extract from the Merseytravel train timetable setting out trains for journeys from stations between Bidston and Liverpool Lime Street. The full timetables will be available from stations by the end of December 2016.

 Showing all trains from Wrexham and Shotton to Bidston with connecting trains to Birkenhead North and buses to Liverpool




Mondays to Saturdays 3 January to 12 February 2017


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| Bidston | arrive | 0730 | 0830 | 0931 | 1030 | 1130 | 1230 | 1330 | 1430 | 1530 | 1630 | 1731 | 1845 | 2044 | 2255 |
| CHANGE TRAINS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bidston | depart | 0745 | 0845 | 0945 | 1045 | 1145 | 1245 | 1345 | 1445 | 1545 | 1645 | 1745 | 1915 | 2115 | 2315 |
| Birkenhead North | arrive | 0748 | 0848 | 0948 | 1048 | 1148 | 1248 | 1348 | 1448 | 1548 | 1648 | 1748 | 1918 | 2118 | 2318 |
| CHANGE TO RAIL REPLACEMENT BUS SERVICE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Birkenhead North | depart | 0753 | 0853 | 0953 | 1053 | 1153 | 1253 | 1353 | 1453 | 1553 | 1653 | 1753 | 1923 | 2123 | 2325 |
| Moorfields | | 0813 | 0913 | 1013 | 1113 | 1213 | 1313 | 1413 | 1513 | 1613 | 1713 | 1813 | 1943 | 2143 | 2346 |
| Lime Street (St Georges Hall) | | 0820 | 0920 | 1020 | 1120 | 1220 | 1320 | 1420 | 1520 | 1620 | 1720 | 1820 | 1950 | 2150 | 2353 |

The Wrexham-Bidston service is operated by Arriva Trains Wales and supported by the Welsh Government

Code: * - Request Stop - customers wishing to get off the train at this station should inform the conductor; customers wishing to board the train at this station should give a clear hand signal to the driver.

Times shown in green are rail replacement bus services.

 Showing all trains from Bidston to Shotton and Wrexham with bus connections from Liverpool and trains from Birkenhead North



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| Moorfields | | 0643 | 0743 | 0843 | 0943 | 1043 | 1143 | 1243 | 1343 | 1443 | 1543 | 1643 | 1743 | 2013 | 2213 |
| Lime Street (St Georges Hall) | | 0650 | 0750 | 0850 | 0950 | 1050 | 1150 | 1250 | 1350 | 1450 | 1550 | 1650 | 1750 | 2020 | 2220 |
| Birkenhead North | arrive | 0709 | 0809 | 0909 | 1009 | 1109 | 1209 | 1309 | 1409 | 1509 | 1609 | 1709 | 1809 | 2039 | 2239 |
| CHANGE TO RAIL SERVICE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Birkenhead North | depart | 0717 | 0817 | 0917 | 1017 | 1117 | 1217 | 1317 | 1417 | 1517 | 1617 | 1717 | 1817 | 2047 | 2247 |
| Bidston | arrive | 0719 | 0819 | 0919 | 1019 | 1119 | 1219 | 1319 | 1419 | 1519 | 1619 | 1719 | 1819 | 2049 | 2249 |
| CHANGE TRAINS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bidston | depart | 0731 | 0831 | 0932 | 1032 | 1132 | 1232 | 1332 | 1432 | 1532 | 1635 | 1745 | 1846 | 2056 | 2256 |

Connections:
For North Wales - change at Shotton
For Shrewsbury, Cardiff and Birmingham - change at

Engineering Works

Merseyrail services are also in operation on Sundays with trains running a half hourly service from West Kirby arriving at Bidston from 0816 and departing Bidston for West Kirby from 0819.

- For the first six weeks and last three weeks of the works you will be transferred on to rail replacement services at Birkenhead North to access stations in Birkenhead and to make cross river journeys to Liverpool.



Merseyrail

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- The Liverpool bound cross river services will be operated as 'nonstop' express services direct from Birkenhead North to Moorfields and Lime Street.
- During the middle phase of the works trains will run cross river to James Street station during the week. At weekends services will be supported by rail replacement services from Birkenhead North and Birkenhead Central stations

Phase 1 – Tuesday 3 January – Sunday 12 February 2017

For six weeks, Wirral Line Trains will start and terminate at Birkenhead North and Birkenhead Central. Rail Replacement buses will run between Birkenhead and Liverpool Stations.

Phase 2 – Monday 13 February – Monday 29 May 2017

For 15 weeks, Wirral Line trains will start and terminate at James Street station from Monday to Friday. At Weekends, all services will start and terminate at Birkenhead North and Birkenhead Central. Rail Replacement buses will run between Birkenhead and Liverpool Stations

Phase 3 Tuesday 30 May – Sunday 18 June 2017

For 20 days, Wirral Line Trains will start and terminate at Birkenhead North and Birkenhead Central. Rail Replacement buses will run between Birkenhead and Liverpool Stations.

More information about the phases of the works and how these will affect your journey can be found on www.merseyrail.org/trackrenewal or in the passenger information booklet that can be picked up at any Merseyrail station.

Arriva Trains Wales Services –Bidston to Wrexham

In addition to the works on the Merseyrail network, Network Rail will also be undertaking track renewals works on the Borderlands Lane track overnight from 2nd January to 24th March 2017.

For the most part this will not further disrupt your journey except Monday to Friday the last Arriva Trains Wales service in each direction on this line will be replaced by a rail replacement service. This will run from Birkenhead North calling all stations (including Bidston) to Wrexham to support those passengers using the Merseyrail and Borderlands line complete their journeys.

For more information contact visit <https://www.journeycheck.com/arrivatrainswales>

