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Chance for Northampton rail passengers to have their say

Rail passengers in Northampton will be able to discuss the summer's timetable changes at an event next week.

Officials from London Northwestern Railway will be on hand to answer questions at the town's station on Wednesday 7 August from 4.45pm to 6.45pm.

The rearranged session will give passengers the chance to discuss the new London Northwestern Railway timetable which was introduced in May, adding more seats from Northampton to London in the morning peak and

introducing a new direct service to Liverpool Lime Street.

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.

“In order to accommodate these changes it was necessary to alter train times and carriage formations and we know that some passengers will have had to adjust their journeys.

“We have already taken on board feedback from across the LNR network and I am pleased these ‘Whistle Stop Tour’ events will give our passengers another chance to discuss our timetables and services directly with our staff.”

The changes in May added an eight-carriage service going to the capital during the first three hours of weekdays, making a total of 12 direct trains departing for London between 6am and 9am.

For more information and for future 'Whistle Stop Tour' dates visit westmidlandsrailway.co.uk/whistle-stop-tour

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