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Major platform revamp at London Euston unveiled

Computer images have been released showing how access to some of London Euston station's busiest platforms will look after an £8million investment.

The architect's impressions released by Network Rail show a clear route for passengers to reach platforms 8-11.

Improvements have been ongoing since Christmas 2020 to remove shops and widen the ramp allowing more space for rail travellers to move from the concourse to trains. The cleared ramp returns passenger flows near to how they would have been in the 1960s when Euston was redeveloped.

The addition of shops and increasing passenger numbers over recent decades has led to bottlenecks and crowds forming when trains were announced.

The ramp revamp will support safe and comfortable journeys when passengers return to the railway in line with the government's roadmap for easing Covid-19 restrictions over the coming months.

Joe Hendry, station manager at London Euston said:

"Though we can't make the station building bigger, this work will help us get passengers to where they need to be more effectively and efficiently.

"We've really missed our passengers during the pandemic, and we've done a lot to make the station better for them, including new escalators to the mezzanine and underground station. This is all part of our ongoing vision to improve Euston station for the future."

Lawrence Bowman, customer experience director for London Northwestern Railway, said:

"These welcome improvements will mean a more comfortable journey for our customers travelling to and from London Euston.

"With additional services and longer trains on the way as society unlocks, this scheme forms an important part of the railway's efforts to help passengers travel with confidence."

This major upgrade work to platforms 8-11 is due to be finished by Autumn 2021.

Meanwhile, passengers are being urged to follow the latest government quidance on the use of public transport as lockdown measures ease.

People are urged to check <u>www.nationalrail.co.uk</u> for the latest information.

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