**COVID-19: Avanti West Coast introduces reduced timetable**

* *Reduced timetable introduced across West Coast Main Line.*
* *Four trains per hour to and from London.*
* *Also additional service to North Wales.*

From Monday (March 23), and in keeping with the rest of the rail industry, Avanti West Coast will reduce the number of services running on the West Coast Main Line.

We will be running four trains per hour to and from London during weekdays to selected destinations until further notice. There will additional return services to Chester and North Wales.

We’re working together with the rest of the rail industry and Government to limit the spread of COVID-19, but still provide a vital service for key workers getting to their jobs.

We’re doing all we can to keep our staff and customers safe, with enhanced cleaning regimes onboard and at stations, and are regularly updating our staff and customers with the latest advice from Government. As part of this, from Monday 23 March we will no longer be accepting cash on board our services or at our ticket offices.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank our staff for their continued dedication, and our customers for their patience.

Please check your journey online before you travel so you are aware of the latest developments.

To stay up-to-date with our latest response to COVID-19 visit:

<https://www.avantiwestcoast.co.uk/help/coronavirus-travel-information>

**About Avanti West Coast**

Avanti West Coast, operator of intercity rail services on the West Coast Main Line, is a joint venture between FirstGroup and Trenitalia, delivering a cleaner, greener railway that drives the West Coast forward.

We’re on a mission to revolutionise train travel, linking together the towns and major cities of the UK to create an iconic railway the country can be proud of. We’ve got big plans including a fleet of new intercity trains, as well as the complete refurbishment of the existing Pendolino train fleet. There will be 263 more train services every week by 2022 with new routes added, and a much-improved onboard service with enhanced free Wi-Fi, plug sockets, 25,000 brand new seats and improved catering. Since 8 December, passengers have benefited from improved passenger compensation, available for journeys delayed by just 15 minutes.