

## Notice of vegetation works Addison Road

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. We are continually reviewing the works on our construction sites in line with Government and Public Health England (PHE) advice on dealing with COVID-19. The Government's current strategy makes it clear that construction activity can continue as long as it complies with this guidance.

Please be assured that only sites that can operate within the guidelines are operational. All sites will remain under constant review. We have postponed all face-to-face engagement events and meetings and have put in place a number of channels to communicate with communities, such as letters and phone calls, as well as updates and alerts from each of the local community websites. You can sign up for regular updates in your local area at www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk

### What will we be doing?

Before the main railway construction works for the realignment and reconstruction of the new bridge commences on Addison Road, we need to carry out the removal of roadside hedgerows and vegetation clearance along the highway boundary. As some of these works will need to be carried out on or adjacent to the carriageway we will need to put in place temporary traffic lights between the hours of 9.30am and 3.30pm, the road will open as normal outside of these times.

The works will take place between Monday 17 May to Friday 28 May 2021 weekdays only.

Please refer to the map overleaf that shows the working areas.

Where appropriate some sections of vegetation will be replaced with temporary fencing, this will help keep the site secure ahead of future construction activities.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on 08081 434 434 or email hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

### **Notification**



#### **Duration of works**

The works will start on Monday 17 May 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021 weekdays only

Normal working hours: Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm

Our contractors may also be on site for one hour's quiet start up and shut down outside of these times.

#### What to expect

Temporary traffic signals will be in place during off peak hours 9.30am and 3.30pm

Some additional traffic on local roads.

Noise from the equipment used for the works.

#### What we will do

Manage impacts, such as traffic and noise with the aim of reducing or removing them.

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### What consents do we have to undertake this work?

There have been extensive ecological and tree surveys undertaken across the vegetation identified for clearance.

Before any vegetation is cleared it will be thoroughly inspected by qualified ecologists. Any protected species found to be present will be recorded, the appropriate buffer established and no vegetation in that area will be cleared until the species have left the site. Any vegetation that cannot be removed due to the presence of protected ecology will be left until further surveys confirm that the ecology is no longer present.

The vegetation clearance will be undertaken in accordance with:

HS2 Organisational European Protected Species Great for Crested Newt Licences WML025.

HS2 Organisational European Protected Species Licence for Badger WML024.

Further details are available online.

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-phase-oneenvironmental-statement-volume-5-ecology

The work on HS2 is guided by High-Speed Rail (LondonWestMidlands) Act 2017.

• http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2017/7/contents/enacted

### How will this works affect you?

You may notice extra traffic on the roads due to the workforce and equipment movements in the area. HS2 construction traffic, HGV's and all vehicles of 7.5 tonnes or greater making deliveries to the site will use The Broadway from the A41 along Perry Hill/ Gawcott Road/ Werner Terrace to Addison Road.

We will be closely monitoring the roads around the site and regular road sweeping will take place. We will take measures to ensure we keep mud off the local roads, such as cleaning dirty vehicles before they leave work areas.

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Location of temporary traffic lights



# **Keeping you informed**

We are committed to keeping you informed about work on HS2. This includes ensuring you know what to expect and when to expect it, as well as how we can help.

### **Residents' Charter and Commissioner**

The Residents' Charter is our promise to communicate as clearly as we possibly can with people who live along or near the HS2 route. www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2residents-charter

We also have an independent Residents' Commissioner whose job is to make sure we keep to the promises we make in the Charter and to keep it under constant review. Find reports at: www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltdresidents-commissioner

You can contact the Commissioner at: residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

### **Construction Commissioner**

The Construction Commissioner's role is to mediate and monitor the way in which HS2 Ltd manages and responds to construction complaints. You can contact the Construction Commissioner by emailing:

complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk

### **Property and compensation**

You can find out all about HS2 and properties along the line of route by visiting:

www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property Find out if you're eligible for compensation at: www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2

### Holding us to account

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint by contacting our HS2 Helpdesk team. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website:

www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

### **Contact Us**

Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

- Treephone **08081 434 434**
- Minicom **08081 456 472**
- (a) Email hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

### Write to: FREEPOST HS2 Community Engagement

Website www.hs2.org.uk

To keep up to date with what is happening in your local area, visit: **www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk** 

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