# **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-ltd-

residents-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-ifaffected-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:

\*\* Freephone **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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# **EEKFB** Working in partnership with HS2 Traffic Information Guide

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high-speed railway for Britain. We have committed to create a low carbon railway that is designed, built and operated to the highest health, safety and security standards.



# About this guide

This traffic guide will give you details of how construction traffic is going to be managed in your area. Take a look at the routes that we plan to use between Aylesbury and Mixbury, along with our forecasted peak delivery numbers. You can gain an overview of the control measures that are in place across the whole HS2 route, as well as specific local actions, such as junction improvements and crossings.

#### **About EKFB**

EKFB is the main works contractor carrying out the civil engineering works for the new HS2 line in this area. EKFB will undertake all earthworks and landscaping as well as create new structures including bridges, viaducts and green tunnels. The construction works are being planned in a way that will minimise disturbance on local roads and access between villages. You can find details in this guide.

#### **HS2's Site Working** Hours

Normal working hours: Monday to Friday 8.00am - 6.00pm Saturdays 8.00am - 1.00pm Contractors may be on site for one hour's start-up and shutdown either side of these times and construction traffic might also be present during these times.

In some cases, work outside normal hours may take place, and we will inform communities when this occurs.

Construction traffic and worker cars may arrive earlier and depart after the working hours.

#### **HS2** and the role of the Highways Authority in highway matters

The HS2 Act of Parliament provides HS2 Ltd and their contractors with the powers to work in the highway to construct the new railway. The responsibilities that councils have for HS2 works differ slightly from other highways work. In all cases, the local Highway Authority is consulted and in certain cases, the consent of the highway authority is required. HS2 Ltd and their contractors produce Local Traffic Management Plans and work very closely with the councils and their highways teams to ensure that traffic is well managed. HS2 Ltd is only required to seek consent on traffic routes for vehicles over 7.5 tonnes. Further information can be found in the HS2 Act or see details for the HS2 Helpdesk on the back of this Guide.





#### HS2 Safety and Environmental Standards

HS2 Ltd has set out high standards for HGV safety measures that reflect industry best practice. These measures set the standards for aspects such as mirrors, audible warnings and vehicle signage. HGVs will be Euro 6 compliant, which means that the vehicles will meet low emission standards.

# Did you know...

Fleet operators must be as a minimum Fleet Operation Recognition Scheme (FORS) Bronze and working towards Silver.

FORS is a voluntary quality scheme, which aims to raise the quality of HGV fleet operations.



# **Driver training**

Drivers regularly working on the HS2 project will undertake the HS2 Professional Driver Course, a bespoke course set up by HS2 with a strong emphasis on risks in rural areas to vulnerable road users

# **Emergency Services**

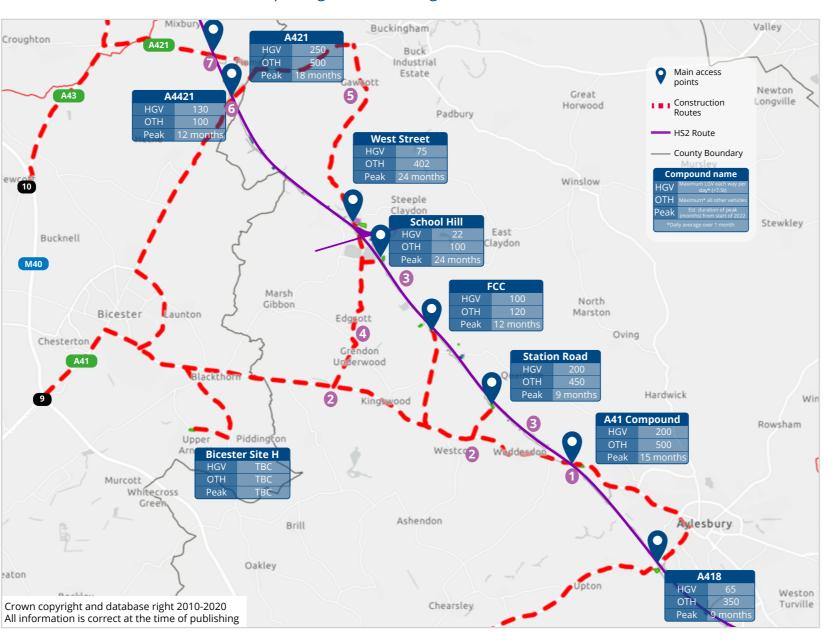
An agreed crisis management plan will be in place, developed with the emergency services.

# **Coordinating work**

Traffic meetings take place regularly and involve traffic specialists from HS2 Ltd, contractors, emergency services and highways authorities in order to coordinate traffic plans.

# **Construction traffic routes between Aylesbury and Mixbury**

The map below shows the HS2 route between Aylesbury and Mixbury. You can see the proposed construction traffic routes as well as an indication of the forecast average peak number of deliveries to each site per day. EKFB is constructing a new temporary road along the route of the new railway so when vehicles reach the main access points they will travel up or down this temporary road to their destination. Bulk earthworks will also be moved along the route via a haul road to avoid transporting materials along the main local road network.



# **Managing HS2 Vehicles**

HS2 HGV movements will be tracked from a dedicated control centre and the flow of construction traffic will be monitored. All deliveries will be pre-arranged and HGV drivers will only use designated routes. Their vehicles will be clearly identified by an A4 sign stating 'HS2'.

# **Useful Links**

one.network/uk - a national website that records any works on the highway

HS2 Act - https://www.gov.uk/ government/collections/high-speedrail-london-west-midlands-bill

#### **Traffic Volumes**

The traffic volumes identified on the map reflect the figures forecast for the construction works. These figures reflect the 'worst case' and it is expected the actual vehicle flows will be lower than those identified.

#### **Traffic terms explained**

**HGVs**, or Heavy Goods Vehicles, are vehicles that weigh over 3.5 tonnes.

**OTH** stands for other vehicles. This includes all vehicles under 7.5 tonnes.

**Peak** this is the number of months in which we anticipate the traffic volumes will be highest.

#### **Local controls**

These measures are specific to the area between Aylesbury and Mixbury. They describe local controls or mitigation measures we will take. The map shows the routes and indicates our forecasted delivery numbers.

#### The map identifies seven local control measures:

- The A41 Compound will be used as the primary point of access for the area south of Calvert, reducing vehicles through Aylesbury.
- 2 Fusion are carrying out two junction improvement works along the A41 as part of the enabling works.
- Opportunity to use rail to import material in these locations which will reduce the requirement of using the local highway.
- This route passes St Leonard's Church and we are engaging with the church to minimise disruption to their services.
- Buckingham Road will not be used by EKFB as a construction route to avoid the school in this location. Traffic control measures will be used on Radclive Road.
- 6 We will be using our Internal Access Road from here to access the area to the south as far as Calvert.
- We plan to use MOD Bicester as a logistical hub location to reduce vehicle movements directly to site.



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