



Realignment of roads and public rights of way

The proposed scheme will cross many existing roads and public rights of way.

Rather than alter existing layouts, where practicable, the railway will be designed so that roads and public rights of way are carried over or under the railway.

During construction, both temporary and permanent realignments may be required. Temporary arrangements will remain until work is completed and the road or public right of way is either re-established or a permanent realignment is constructed.

Where permanent realignments are required these will usually adopt the shortest practicable route. We aim to minimise the impacts on vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians when developing new road layouts and public rights of way.

We will work with highway authorities, Local Access Forums and communities to identify the best way of maintaining road access and public rights of way during construction.