



# Notice of Ground Investigation Work - Boddington to Southam

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain.

## Who is Eiffage Kier?

Eiffage Kier is the contractor carrying out the civil engineering works for the new HS2 line. Eiffage Kier will undertake all earthworks and landscaping and will create new structures including bridges, viaducts and green tunnels.

## What are we doing?

As part of HS2's preparation works, we will be carrying out ground investigations along the route to find out technical information about the ground conditions. They are part of the early works that Eiffage Kier will carry out this year, in advance of the main works.

## When will these works take place?

Although some ground investigation works have been carried out, further investigations are necessary as the detail of the design is now more mature. They will take place from November 2019 to mid 2020.

## What does the work involve?

The works involves setting up a work compound, carrying out ground investigations along the line of the new railway.

A works compound will be set up to provide the base from which the ground investigation will be carried out. The compound is being set up in November at the existing site entrance to the heave cutting works on Stoneton lane near Wormleighton.

**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](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

## Duration of works

Normal working hours:

Monday to Friday

8.00am - 6.00pm

Saturdays

8.00am - 1.00pm

Our contractors may be on site for one hour's start-up and shutdown either side of these times.

## What to expect

Varied activities with both quiet and busier periods.

Agreed routes will be used by a small number of HGVs and vehicles. A lot of equipment will be moved by local farm tractors and trailers.

## What we will do

Manage any environmental impacts, such as traffic and noise.

Inform you of any changes to the provided dates. Respond promptly to any complaints and take appropriate action

The ground investigation works include using ground radar and bore holes and we will be using a mixture of these techniques to take rock and soil samples. A typical bore hole has a diameter of 200mm and can vary in depth from between around 10 metres and 50 metres. Small pits known as trial pits will also be excavated. These tend to be about 4 metres long, less than a metre wide and up to 4 metres deep. The photograph below shows a borehole operation.



### **How will this affect me?**

The works will be carried out by teams of three or four and all investigation locations will be safely reinstated. Works at any one location will generally not exceed two weeks. We do not expect any impact on highways however neighbours near to work sites may hear drilling.

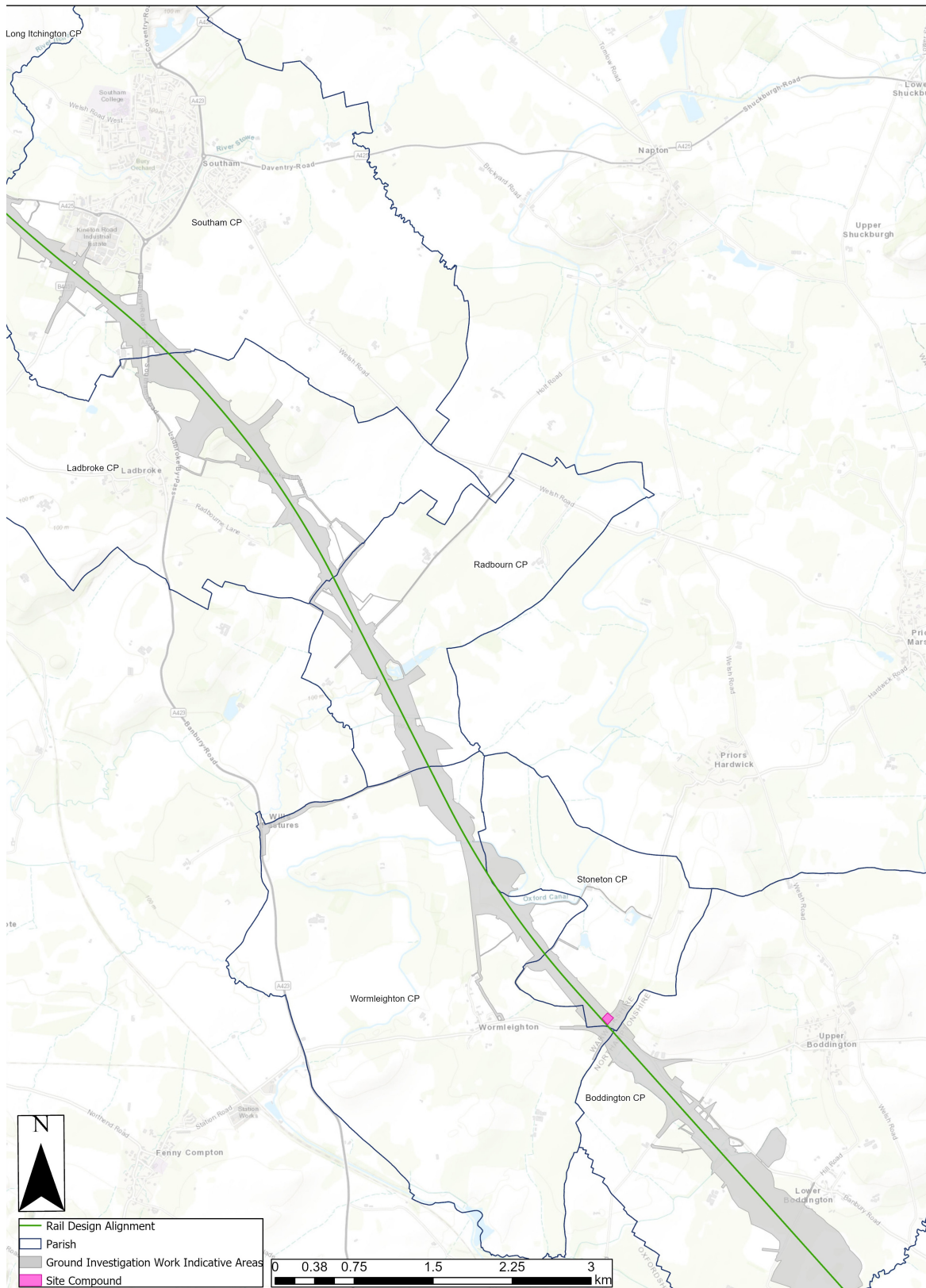
### **Sequence of Works**

The ground investigation works will take place along the route of the HS2 line. The map on the following page indicates the general vicinity along the route of the new railway where investigation works will take place.

For more information about HS2 Ground Investigations, please go to:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l8pCfamzccM>

## Location

The ground investigation works will take place along the route of the HS2 line indicated on the map below.



Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on **08081 434 434**

# 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/hs2-residents-charter](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-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](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

You can contact the Commissioner at: [residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto:residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk)

## Construction Commissioner

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## 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](http://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](http://www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2)

## Holding us to account

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## Contact Us

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

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**FREEPOST**

**HS2 Community Engagement**

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