

# **Tunnelling works for pipeline diversion** works near Rookery Lane, Hints

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. To allow for the construction of the new railway and to continue to ensure a safe and reliable gas supply, Cadent will be moving an underground gas pipeline that runs near Rookery Lane, west of Hints. We expect to complete all our work by the end of 2021. We will keep local people up to date as our work progresses.

#### What are we doing?

We now need to dig a tunnel in fields either side of Rookery Lane, so we can install the pipeline underneath the road. This will involve constructing two shafts inside our working area and using a boring machine to tunnel between these shafts. This construction method means that we can keep Rookery Lane open.

We will continue using our existing compound and the access we've constructed off Rock Hill/Watling Street to reach our main compound. Our vehicles will need to occasionally cross Rookery Lane to reach the field on the other side of the road. This will be done safely using a traffic marshall, and the road will remain open.

Before we start this part of our work, we need to construct accesses to the fields we're working in either side of Rookery Lane. This will take us around one week, starting from **24 May 2021**. We will ensure that local residents can pass through Rookery Lane with minimal disruption as this work happens.

#### How will this affect you?

When the boring machine is operating, it may need to run outside of working hours. However, the tunnelling work is underground so we do not anticipate any additional noise or disruption for local people.

We may need to occasionally work at weekends, outside of standard Saturday hours. However, this will only be in exceptional circumstances and subject to consents being in place.

#### COVID-19

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 COVID-19 strategy makes clear that construction activity can continue as long as it complies with this guidance. The health and safety of our workforce and the communities we affect is our key priority. Please be assured that those sites that are currently still working are doing so because they can operate within PHE and construction industry guidelines.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our helpdesk on 08081 434 434 or email HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

#### **Notification**



#### **Duration**

- May 2021 until the end of 2021
- Core working hours will be 8.00am to 6.00pm (Mon-Fri) and 8.00am to 1.00pm (Sat) (excluding tunnelling)
- We will be on-site one hour either side of these times for set-up and close-down

#### What to expect

- Vehicles accessing the main site from Watling Street/Rock Hill
- Local people can continue to use
   Rookery Lane as we create accesses either side of the road
- Vehicles occasionally crossing Rookery Lane to reach the southern part of our working area.
- No disruption to utilities
- 24 hour security on-site

#### What we will do

- Keep all sites safe and secure
- Inform people in advance of any changes

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**Location of Cadent pipeline diversion works** 



# What else is happening in your area?

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#### **About our Community and Business Funds**

We are offering two funds that are available to local communities and businesses between Birmingham and the West Midlands, to help with the disruption caused by our construction work. These are the Community and Environment Fund (CEF) and the Business and Local Economy Fund (BLEF).

The CEF is designed to give communities the opportunity to share in the benefits of HS2. It is an allocated fund that communities are able to apply for, to help to support local projects that aim to improve their local area.

The BLEF is designed to support local economies that may be disrupted by the construction of HS2. BLEF grants are for local business support organisations and local authorities to help maintain business activity in local communities.

For more information about each of these funds, including how to apply, please visit: https://www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds



#### **About our Commonplace websites**

The planning and construction of HS2 is a huge operation – it is currently the largest infrastructure project in Europe.

It's important to us that you are kept up to date about the progress of the Project and any work that may impact you or your community. We have a series of community-focused websites where you can find out what is happening in your local area and sign up for updates about our activities.

Our Commonplace sites currently serve Birmingham, Bucks and Oxfordshire, Cheshire, Euston and Camden, Hertfordshire, Hillingdon, Northamptonshire, Old Oak, Solihull, Staffordshire and Warwickshire. More sites are being prepared to serve other areas.

To find your local Commonplace website, visit: https://hs2.commonplace.is/

For further information about Phase 2a and Phase 2b, visit: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/high-speed-two-limited





### **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

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 via the helpline. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website: www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

#### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions about this notification of works, please get in touch.



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Email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk** 

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Website www.hs2.org.uk

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