

# Notice of low level vegetation clearance

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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.

To prepare for the maintenance and power cable diversion works that are required to construct HS2's Old Oak Common Station, we will be clearing vegetation in a small parcel of land on the southwestern corner of Wells House Road (see map on page 2). The clearance works will allow further investigations of the area to be completed and the route of UK Power Network cables to be finalised.

Our ecologists have been completing inspections of the site areas in advance of the works starting, and all work will be carried out under the watching brief of an ecologist.

The low-level ground vegetation will be removed with handheld strimmers, chainsaws, a mobile chipper and other hand tools. This includes the removal of brush, ivy and small saplings. In areas where reptiles are likely to be present, vegetation will be removed in stages to allow any reptiles to move away from the work areas into suitable adjacent habitat.

Further vegetation clearances, including the removal of some trees will take place in this area early next year. You will be notified ahead of this work taking place.

It is intended that these works will be undertaken from 16 to 30 September 2021 during core working hours, on Mondays to Fridays from 8am to 6pm and on Saturdays from 8am to 1pm.

**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)**

## Notification



### Duration of works

Two weeks, from 16 to 30 September 2021 on Mondays to Fridays from 8am to 6pm and on Saturdays from 8am to 1pm.

### What to expect

Low-level vegetation clearance in a small parcel of land on the southwestern corner of Wells House Road.

### What we will do

Pre-works inspections will be completed by an ecologist, and all works will be completed under the direction of an ecologist.

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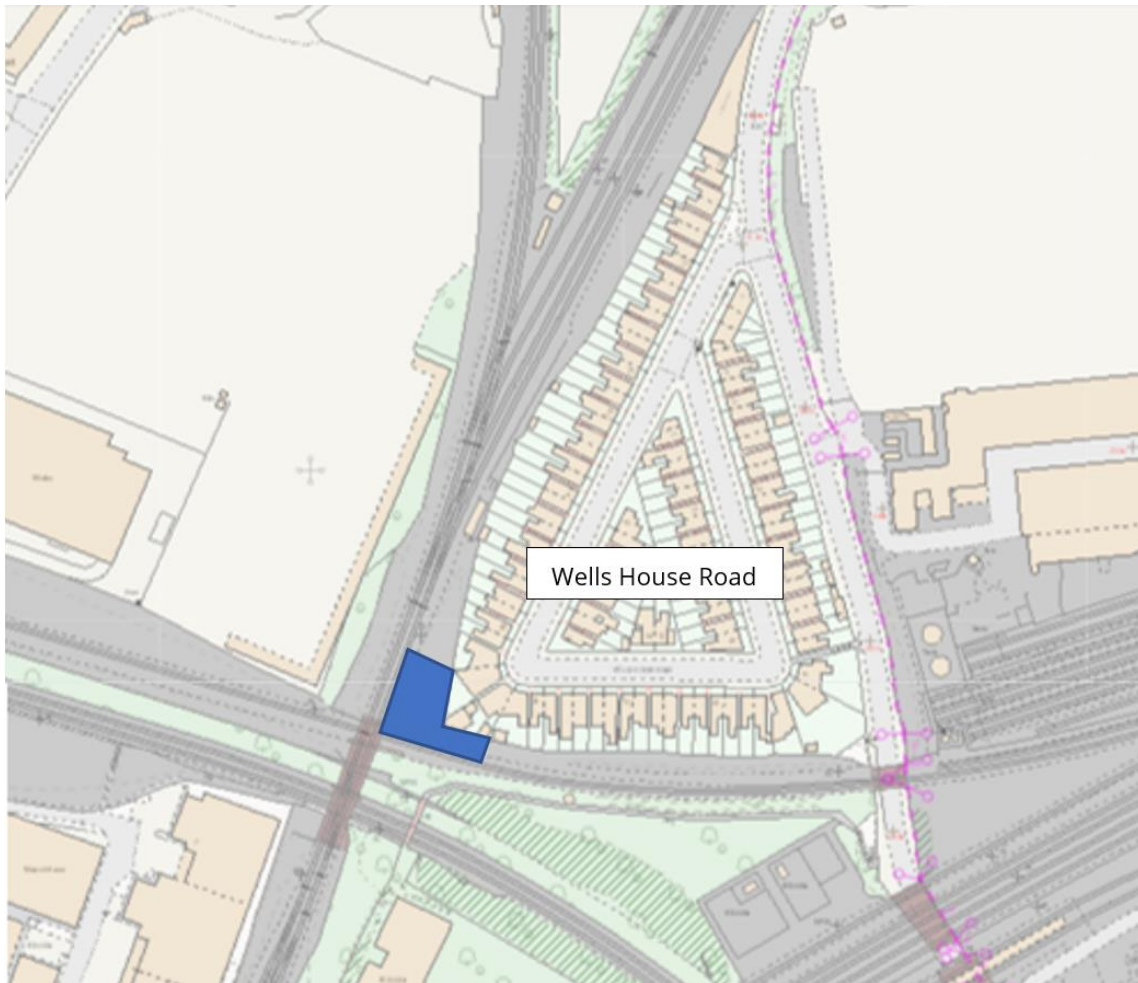
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## Map of clearance area

We will be clearing vegetation within the area highlighted in blue on the map below.



## Virtual one-to-ones

Dates:

- 29 September
- 27 October
- 24 November

Time: Between 3pm & 6pm on all dates

Place: Online via MS Teams

These virtual one-to-ones are an opportunity to find out more about HS2 and what it means for the local area. Please book a slot at [www.hs2.org.uk/events](http://www.hs2.org.uk/events)

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

# What else is happening in your area?

[www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk)

## Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team

Our team is here to listen and respond to your enquiry, complaint or feedback to help us be a good neighbour.

You can contact our Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

Freephone: **08081 434 434**

Minicom: **08081 456 472**

Email: [hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

## Keep up-to-date with your local community website

To find out more about what's happening in your area and receive regular email updates, you can sign up to our local community websites at: [www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk](http://www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk).

## About our Community and Business Funds

We are offering two funds that are available to local communities and businesses between the West Midlands and London, 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>



# 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

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](mailto: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](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

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](http://www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain)

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Write to:

**FREEPOST**

**HS2 Community Engagement**

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