



Notice of construction of West Portal – Washwood Heath

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Balfour Beatty VINCI (BBV) is working in partnership with HS2 Ltd to build the new railway in your area.

Construction of West Portal

We will start constructing the diaphragm wall that will support the Bromford Tunnel West Portal on Monday 22 November 2021. This work is expected to continue for a period of 14 months. The Tunnel Portal will be an entry and exit point to the tunnel for the new HS2 trains.

How we will construct the diaphragm wall

The diaphragm wall will be constructed by excavating the ground with large machinery in a series of sections. Each section will be stabilised with a specialised fluid to support the ground before it is then filled with concrete.

What to expect

- We will be using large machinery to excavate.
- Our bentonite plant will be operational to produce the specialised stabilising fluid. Bentonite is a natural occurring material that will be mixed with water to produce a clay that helps to support the ground as we excavate.
- On some occasions we may need to work outside of core hours to complete concrete pours.

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

Duration of works

22 November 2021 for a period of 14 months.

Core working hours
weekdays 8am – 6pm
Saturdays 8am – 1pm.

At times we will work outside of core hours to complete concrete pours.

Our workforce can be on site up to 1 hour before work begins to set up the site and again afterwards to take down our work equipment.

What to expect

Large machinery on site.

Some noise and vibration as we excavate the ground.

This will be monitored continuously to ensure that we are working to the required limits and reducing our impact on our neighbours.

What we will do

Ensure that our work areas are safe and secure.
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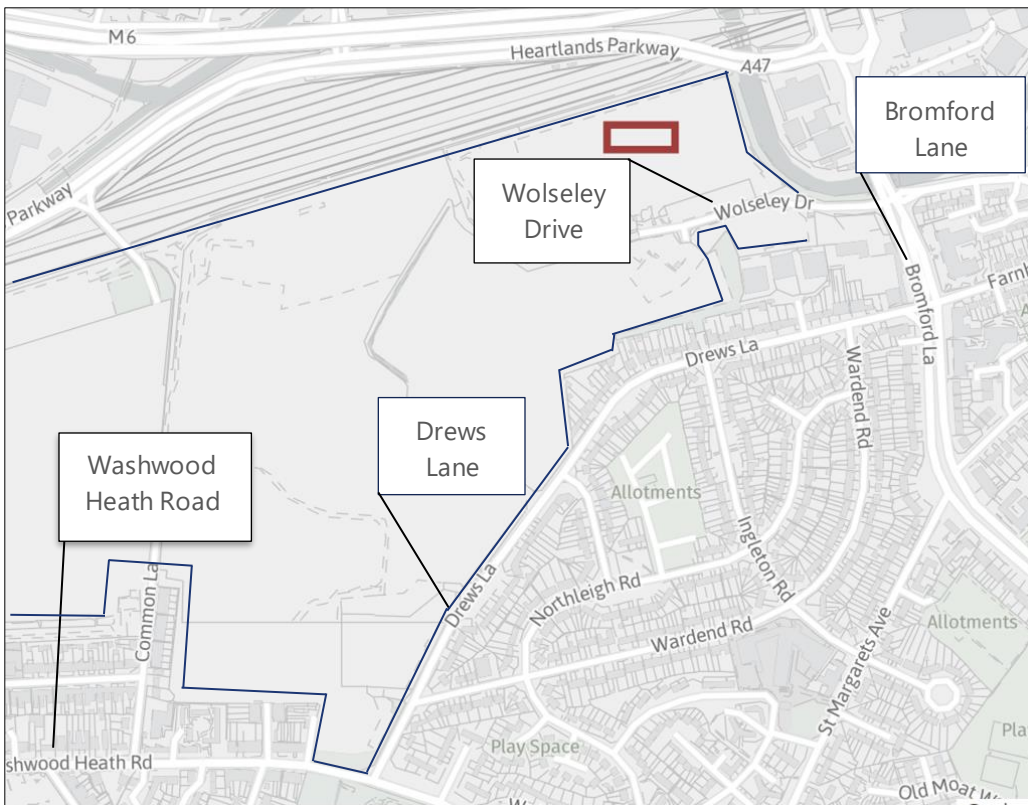
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How we will monitor our impact

We will carry out continuous dust, noise and vibration monitoring as we complete the Bromford Tunnel West Portal works. This will help us to ensure that we are working in a way that limits the impacts on our neighbours and the local environment. It will also help us to ensure that we are complying with the agreed conditions for our work set out by Birmingham City Council.

Map showing location of diaphragm wall works



Location of work area



Site boundary

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

What else is happening in your area?

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

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.

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

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-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

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HS2 Community Engagement

Website **www.hs2.org.uk**

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