

# Solihull Autumn 2021

3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Solihull.

The document is a forward look of construction activities planned in the next three months.

The dates and information included in the forward look are subject to change as the programme develops. These will be updated in the next edition of the forward look.

The maps included are for illustrative purposes only.

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## Map 1 – Interchange Station Area



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing until Summer 2022	We are remodelling and improving sections of the existing road network in the area and creating new routes on HS2 land. These road improvements will ensure that when the future HS2 Interchange Station is operational, the local road network is fit for purpose.
		As part of this ongoing programme, from Monday 23 August to late October 2021, one of the short sections of Northway Island that was closed on Monday 19 July will reopen, whilst the other section remains closed. Depending on your direction of travel, you may be redirected from Northway Island, along the B4438, and back. Direction of travel along the B4438, A452 and Northway will be unaffected, and you will still be able to access all routes in the area.
		When this phase of traffic measures concludes, a new direction of travel around Northway Island will be installed. We'll inform you of any changes to the direction of travel around Northway Island before they take effect. As part of this programme, varying phased traffic measures will be installed around Northway Island until summer 2022.
Location 2	August to late October 2021	As part of our programme to remodel and improve the road network in the area, on occasion, temporary, off-peak single lane closures will be installed between Monday 23 August and late October 2021 around the longabout off the B4438 and Northway, on the way to the NEC, and along short sections of the B4438.
	Until December 2021	• We will be constructing pilling platforms for the ridged intrusion foundations for Pool Wood embankment
		<ul> <li>We will be mobilising into Heath Park to create site compound for the construction of the overbridge to Coleshill Heath Road</li> </ul>

		• We will be constructing a traffic management system for access to this site.
Location 3	October 2021	As part of our programme to remodel and improve the road network in the area, a temporary, weekend road closure on a short section of the A452 towards Northway Island and towards the B4438 northbound, from 8pm on Friday 15 October through to 5am on Monday 18 October.
Location 4	September to November 2021	<ul> <li>When the future HS2 Interchange Station is operational, four new highways bridges will connect the current road network to new routes we are creating. The second of these new highways bridges was safely installed in October 2020 over the A446.</li> <li>In Autumn 2021, we'll carry out various activities to fully reinstate the A446.</li> <li>Temporary road closure is likely to be installed along the A446 northbound from 8pm on Monday 20 September to 5am Tuesday 21 September.</li> <li>A temporary road closure is also likely to be installed along the A446 for one night in either October or November 2021.</li> </ul>
Location 5	October 2021	When the future HS2 Interchange Station is operational, four new highways bridges will connect the current road network to new routes we are creating. The first of these new highways bridges was safely installed in August 2020 over the M42. In Autumn 2021, we'll carry out various activities to fully reinstate the motorway. There will be a temporary lane closure along the M42 southbound from 8pm on Monday 4 October to 5am Tuesday 5 October.

Location 6	September 2021	<ul> <li>As part of our preparation works for future construction of the HS2 Interchange Station and railway route, we are undertaking environmental works in the area including vegetation clearance. To safely carry out our works, we will install traffic measures when necessary.</li> <li>Subject to obtaining the relevant consents, we will install a range of temporary road and lane closures in the area in September, including: <ul> <li>Lane closure from 9.30am to 3.30pm, Tuesday 31 August to Friday 24 September, along a short section of the A446 northbound near Northway Island. These traffic measures will be installed as and when required during this timeframe depending on the progress of our programme</li> <li>Lane closure from 9.30am to 3.30pm, Tuesday 31 August to Tuesday 7 September, along the A452 northbound towards Northway Island</li> <li>Road closure from 9.30am to 3.30pm, Tuesday 31 August to Tuesday 7 September, along Packington Lane</li> <li>Road closure from 9.30am to 3.30pm, Tuesday 31 August to Tuesday 7 September, along Packington Lane</li> </ul> </li> <li>We will work Monday to Friday, however on occasions we may extend our works into the weekend.</li> </ul>
Location 7	September 2021	As part of our preparation works for future construction of the HS2 Interchange Station and railway route, we are undertaking various environmental surveys in the area, including bat surveys. To safely carry out our works, we will install traffic measures when necessary.

		Subject to obtaining the relevant consents, we will install phased temporary lane closures along short
		<ul> <li>sections of the A452 northbound and southbound</li> <li>near Stonebridge Island from:</li> <li>7pm on Thursday 9 September to 7.30am on Friday 10 September</li> </ul>
		• 7pm on Monday 13 September to 7.30am on Tuesday 14 September
		• 7pm on Monday 20 September to 7.30am on Tuesday 21 September.
	Autumn 2021	We will be constructing a plant crossing for site access.
	Throughout 2021	We will carry out ground investigation surveys in the area to aid the design of HS2.
Location 8	December 2021	As part of our preparation works for future construction of the HS2 Interchange Station and railway route, we are undertaking environmental works in the area including vegetation clearance. To safely carry out our works, we will install traffic measures when necessary.
		Subject to obtaining the relevant consents, we will carry out works adjacent to the M42 northbound to the M6 northbound link road, resulting in a hard shoulder closure along this section of the motorway, from:
		<ul> <li>Monday 6 December on Thursday 9 December. Timings to be confirmed.</li> </ul>



### Map 2 – Balsall Common to Hampton in Arden

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Autumn 2021	Railway route preparation near Heart of England Way public right of way M216.
Location 2	Autumn 2021	We will carry out some minor maintenance works along the temporary diversion of the Kenilworth Greenway in Burton Green.
		We will continue to look at the logistics of footpath closures and diversions at Kenilworth Greenway

		and the Millennium Way between Burton Green and Hampton in Arden.
Location 3	Ongoing until early 2022	Works to construct the roundabout on the A452 Kenilworth Road at Park Lane, Balsall Common will continue.
		There will be series of traffic measures along the A452 between the Aston Martin roundabout and the Beefeater roundabout, including 24/7 single lane closures and occasional overnight road closures, with traffic moving along the central reservation in the Autumn to allow the continuation of traffic flow during most of our works. There will also be some minor clearance works in the area.
Location 4	September 2021	We will be constructing a plant crossing on Lavender Hall Lane following the completion of the plant crossing construction on Truggist Lane.
		We will continue the construction of an internal haul route from Lavender Hall Lane to Truggist Lane.
		Park Lane compound office and welfare facilities will be completed in September.
Location 5	September to October 2021	As part of our preparation works for future construction of the HS2 Interchange Station and railway route, we are undertaking environmental works in the area including vegetation clearance. To safely carry out our works, we will install traffic measures when necessary.
		Subject to obtaining the relevant consents, we will install a road closure along Waste Lane to carry out vegetation clearance from:
		<ul> <li>Monday 27 September to Wednesday 1 October each day from 9am to 4pm.</li> </ul>

Location 6	Starting September 2021	We will continue to mobilize Truggist Lane compound for the construction of the bridge over the West Coast Mainline. Delivery of stone will continue for piling platform construction. We will commence earthworks for construction of the piling platform for the abutments of Carol Green bridge.
		Ground investigation works continue throughout the year to aid the design of HS2.

## **Our Community Commitments**

Our aspiration is to be a good neighbour every single day, by respecting the people and communities we impact and being sensitive to their needs, earning our social licence to operate.

In order to build the railway, we must earn the trust and credibility to do so. We need to demonstrate that we understand local concerns, and that we have taken all reasonable steps to address issues that have been raised, whilst continually looking to lessen the impacts of the project.

Through our Community Engagement Strategy and Residents' Charter we have identified ten Community Commitments which we will use as the basis for measuring our success, and that of our suppliers, in how we deliver the new railway.

### We will:

- 1. Continue to build respectful, long-term relationships with communities and actively encourage our workforce to listen to local concerns and be considerate and accountable for their actions at all times.
- 2. Work with communities to develop local two-way engagement and communication programmes, ensuring they are accessible and tailored to local needs.
- **3.** Make sure communities are made aware in advance of any activities taking place in their area.
- **4.** Operate a Freephone Community Helpline 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
- 5. Make health and safety a priority for communities and our workforce.
- **6.** Respect the wellbeing of communities, minimising disruption to their lives with local mitigation plans and activities, ensuring we meet the standards set out in the Code of Construction Practice.
- 7. Leave a positive and sustainable legacy for the communities in which we operate.
- Respond to questions and complaints quickly and efficiently, with an acknowledgement within two working days, and responding within a maximum of 20 working days if we cannot answer the query straight away.
- **9.** Promote awareness of all our property schemes so that anyone who may be eligible has all the information they need and is aware of the support available to them.
- **10.** Display the Residents' Commissioner and Construction Commissioner's contact details on all relevant materials, along with the HS2 Helpline information and complaints procedure.

The Code of Construction Practice forms part of the Secretary of State's Environmental Minimum Requirements for the construction of the railway from London to the West Midlands. It sets out the standards and responsibilities to protect communities and the environment during construction. A copy of the Code can be found online here:

#### www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/593592/ Code\_of\_Construction\_Practice.pdf

## **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-residentscharter

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:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltdresidents-commissioner

You can contact the Commissioner at: <u>residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk</u>

#### **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: <u>complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk</u>

#### **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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