

# Staffordshire

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3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Staffordshire.

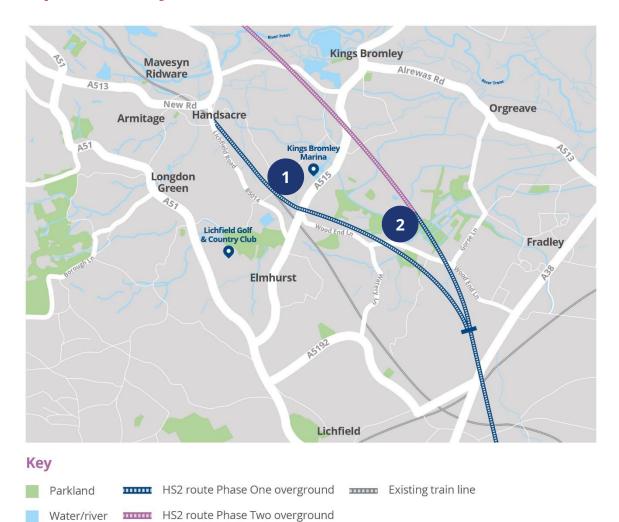
The document is a forward look at construction activities planned for the next three months.

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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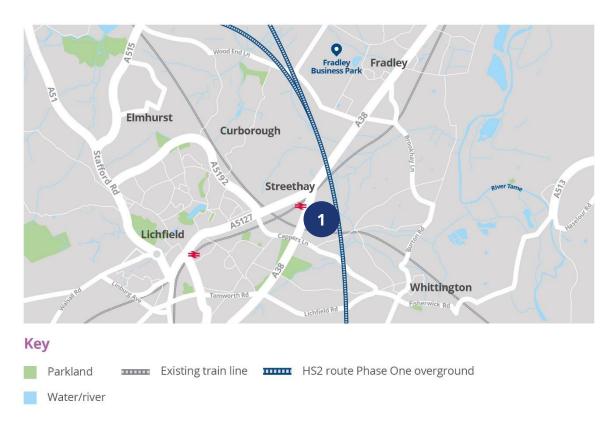
### **Map 1 - Fradley and Handsacre**



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>We will create a working area and compound on land off the A515. This will include:</li> <li>Deliveries of materials and equipment to the site</li> <li>Installation of temporary fencing</li> <li>Construction of a satellite compound with welfare facilities for staff</li> <li>Investigating ground conditions, including ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area</li> </ul>

		Delivery of some environmental & ecological mitigations and removal of some existing vegetation.  We will also be constructing access tracks and a haul road at this location, from the A515 South towards Ravenshaw Wood and from the A515 North through Bourne Brook to Shaw Lane.  Haul roads are temporary roads provided within a working area to allow for the movement of construction materials, construction machinery and/or construction staff around the site.  We will also complete corridor preparation works such as vegetation clearance.
Location 2	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>We will create a working area and compound on land off Wood End Lane. This will include:</li> <li>Site and drainage surveys</li> <li>Marshalling of PRoWs</li> <li>Deliveries of materials and equipment to the site</li> <li>Construction of a satellite compound with welfare facilities for staff</li> <li>Installation of temporary fencing</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area</li> <li>Utility diversion works in place</li> <li>Construction of haul roads and accesses.</li> </ul>
Area-wide	Autumn 2022	We will undertake a range of surveys in this area, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys, that may require temporary traffic management. Our activity will include:  • Excavating 'trial holes' • Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys to help locate existing utilities • Surveys to check existing ground levels • Surveys of water bodies • Ecological surveys.

## Map 2 - Whittington to Fradley

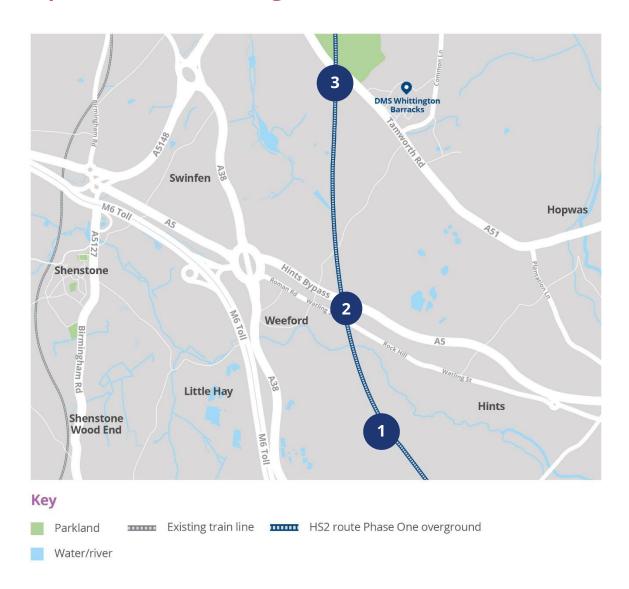


Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing 2022 to 2023	<ul> <li>We will be building a bridge to take the A38 over the HS2 line. The new line will run beneath the main carriageway, slip roads and existing railway lines</li> <li>Our initial work will include constructing the supporting foundations and structure for the bridge. We will begin excavating for the A38 southbound slip road and carriageway overbridges too</li> <li>To carry out this programme safely, we are introducing phased traffic management. This began with the total closure of the A38 southbound slip road at Streethay from Monday 1 August 2022 for 15 months</li> </ul>

### The southbound slip road closure diversion route will affect road users travelling into Streethay and parts of North Lichfield who would usually use the A38 southbound slip road to the A5127. The diversion will be clearly signed and will take road users to the next exit at Swinfen Island During later phases of work, we will be initiating a total closure of the A38 northbound slip road and lane closures on the carriageway in the Streethay area There will continue to be a closure in place Ongoing for PRoW Fradley and Streethay 6 in throughout 2022 preparation for the construction of haul roads, stockpile areas, and earthworks to progress Streethay Cutting We are continuing pilling works in preparation for the West Coast Mainline overbridge. Our work will include earthworks, drainage, and installation of structures. This may also include some overnight closures of the West Coast Mainline at this location. Area-wide Ongoing We will undertake work in this area, including utility, throughout 2022 environmental and ground investigation surveys, that may require temporary traffic management. Our activity will include: Excavating 'trial holes' Utility diversions Dismantling of properties Installation of fencing • Setting up of satellite compounds • Translocation of vegetation Construction of haul roads and access points Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys to help locate existing utilities

- Surveys to check existing ground levels
- Surveys of water bodies
- Archaeological investigations
- Ecological surveys.

### **Map 3 – Hints to Whittington**



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Late 2025	We have started earthworks to construct the Hints cutting.  We will continue works, including:  Creating a haul road by the end of 2022 Realigning Rookery Lane Constructing Brockhurst overbridge.
Location 2	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>We will continue creating a working area and compound on land off the A5. This will include:</li> <li>Deliveries of materials and equipment to the site</li> <li>Installation of temporary fencing</li> <li>Construction of a satellite compound with welfare facilities for staff</li> <li>Investigating ground conditions, including ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area</li> <li>Delivery of some environmental &amp; ecological mitigations and removal of some existing vegetation</li> <li>Continuing work at Bucks Head Farm, including property demolitions and a temporary PRoW diversion.</li> </ul>
Location 3	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>We will continue works at our Whittington compound, constructing a haul route, undertaking early earthworks, drainage and installation of structures.</li> <li>Utility diversions across Lichfield Road with traffic management required and diversion of PRoW Whittington 16</li> <li>Construction at Whittington Heath Golf Club, including continuing vegetation clearance, installation of additional security fencing, diversion of the PRoW, ground investigation surveys and construction of a haul road</li> </ul>

Area-wide

Ongoing throughout 2022

We will undertake work in this area, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys, that may require temporary traffic management.

Our activity will include:

Excavating 'trial holes'

Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys to help locate existing utilities

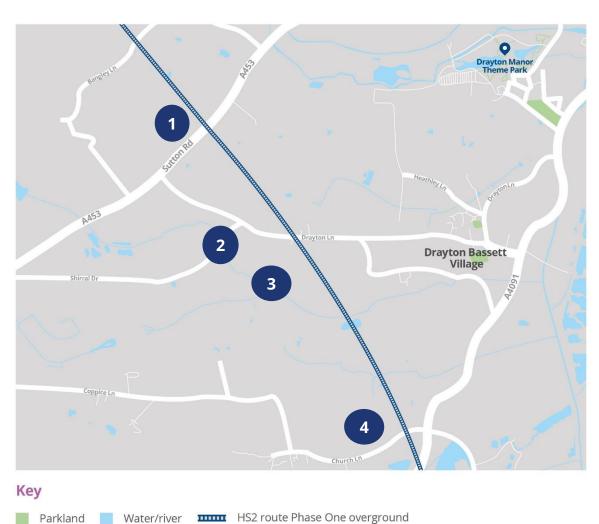
Surveys to check existing ground levels

Surveys of water bodies

Ecological surveys

Demolition of properties.

### **Map 4 - Drayton Bassett**



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>Using the existing HS2 access off the A453 Sutton Road, our activity will include:</li> <li>Deliveries of materials and equipment to the site</li> <li>Construction of haul road and a satellite compound with welfare facilities for staff</li> <li>Investigating ground conditions, including ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area.</li> <li>We will also be constructing a haul road at this location.</li> </ul>
Location 2	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>Our activity will include:</li> <li>Creating an access from the highway to our working area</li> <li>Investigating ground conditions, including ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area.</li> <li>Constructing a haul road</li> <li>Beginning works to realign Shirrall Drive.</li> </ul>
Location 3	Ongoing throughout 2022	<ul> <li>Our activity will include:</li> <li>Creating an access and a safe plant crossing to our working area from Drayton Lane</li> <li>Constructing a haul road</li> <li>Investigating ground conditions, including ground penetrating radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>Removal and storage of topsoil within the work area</li> <li>Beginning works to realign Drayton Lane</li> <li>Construction of Drayton Lane cutting.</li> </ul>
Location 4	Ongoing throughout 2022	Our activity will include:

		<ul> <li>Creating an access and a safe plant crossing to our working area from Church Lane</li> <li>Constructing a haul road</li> <li>Carrying out surveys</li> <li>Building a new satellite compound off Church Lane.</li> </ul>
Area-wide	Ongoing throughout 2022	We will undertake a range of surveys in this area, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys, that may require temporary traffic management. Our activity will include:  • Excavating 'trial holes' • Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys to help locate existing utilities • Surveys to check existing ground levels • Surveys of water bodies • Ecological and topographical surveys.

# **Our Community Commitments**

We aspire 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.

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.
- **8.** 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: 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

#### **Contact Us**

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

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Write to: **FREEPOST HS2 Community Engagement** 

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