

# Old Oak Common Concrete Works

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain.

## Excavation of HS2 station box is ongoing

The new state of the art HS2 station building and platforms, will be made of reinforced concrete, both on the surface and underground. To construct the HS2 station (site location shown on page 2), we will excavate down within the boundaries of an area called a 'box' and pour concrete to form the outline of the structure.

Before excavation begins in each section of works, we will break down the top of the existing concrete diaphragm wall (D-wall). The D-wall runs underground along the outside of the station box, to help support the area whilst excavation takes place. After removing the top of the D-Wall, a concrete 'capping beam' is placed on top to stiffen the perimeter ahead of the excavation phase. We are in the process of pouring concrete for the capping beam around the outline of the station box.

Excavation is ongoing in the western end of the site and from September 2022, the excavated material will be removed by the conveyor system that takes materials to the Willesden European Terminal (WET) for onward use.

## Extended working hours for concrete pours

From 19 September until April 2026, we will start pouring concrete to construct the underground floors of the HS2 station box. This will initially take place in the west side of the Old Oak Common site, as shown in the map on Page 2.

For safety reasons a concrete pour must be completed in one session, otherwise the concrete can be weakened. For larger concrete pours, this is not always achievable within the current working hours and therefore requires longer working hours to complete the pour successfully. On the day of these concrete pours, we will work for extended working hours from 8am until 9pm on weekdays and 8am until 5pm on Saturdays.

**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

Concrete works are ongoing and is expected to complete in 2026 in the HS2 Station Box. Our working hours will be between 8am and 9pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 5pm on Saturdays.

### What to expect

Site operatives working until 9pm on days of overruns and leaving site later.

### What we will do

We will use best practical means to ensure minimal disruption to our site neighbours.

The conveyor will start to move excavated materials in September 2022 removing additional lorries from the road.

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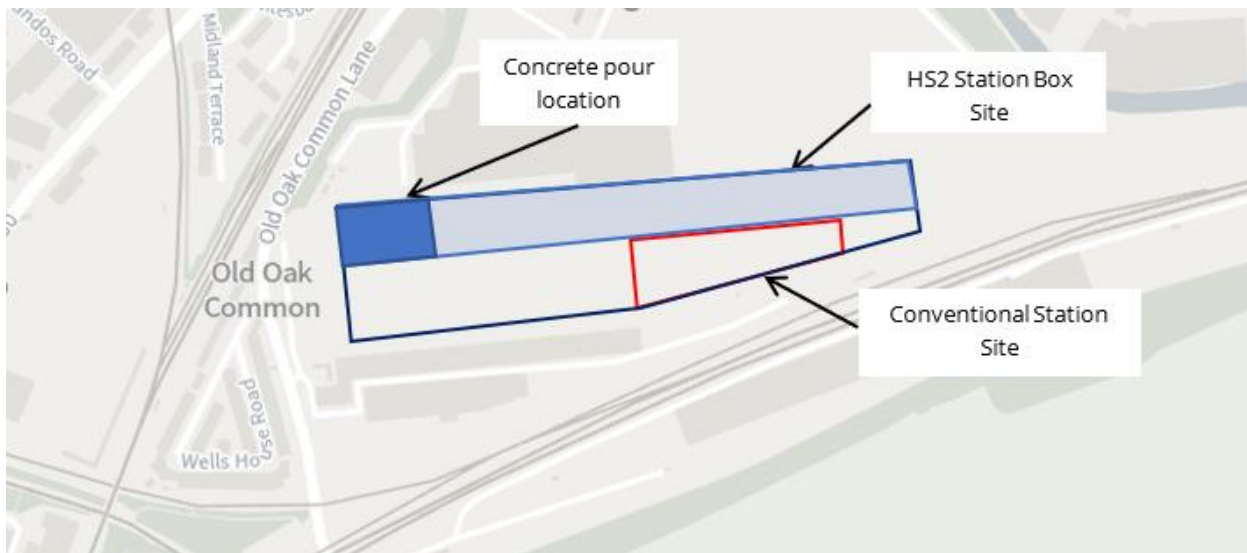
## Construction of the Conventional Station platforms

Alongside the HS2 Station Box, Old Oak Common will have eight ground level platforms for Crossrail and Great Western Mainline services. These will be accessed in the Conventional Station building when the HS2 station at Old Oak Common opens.

From 30 September 2022, we will start the concrete works of the Conventional Station platforms and accompanying building's basement and structure.

The Conventional Station building is a reinforced concrete frame structure approximately 230m long and triangular in plan. It is split over four levels; basement, ground, first and second floor levels and the location of works is identified in red on the map below.

## Location of works



## Noise and dust

We will continually monitor noise and dust levels throughout the works. To manage potential dust, we will be damping down (wetting the ground) during excavation and lorries moving excavated material on site will be covered. To mitigate for possible noise, we will use acoustic blankets whenever possible and all staff, operatives and contractors will be reminded of their responsibilities to be respectful to our site neighbours. Briefings will also be made prior to works regarding site noise management.

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# What else is happening in your area?

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## 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>



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# 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 you.

## The Residents' Commissioner

The independent Residents' Commissioner oversees and monitors our commitments to you.

The commissioner's reports and our responses can be found at [www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

The Residents' Commissioner makes sure we fulfil the commitments in the HS2 Community Engagement Strategy (<https://bit.ly/3oOA25j>).

The Residents' Commissioner can be contacted on: [residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto:residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk)

## Construction Commissioner

The independent Construction Commissioner regularly meets our Chief Executive Officer to raise any concerns or emerging trends across HS2.

The Construction Commissioner's role has been developed to monitor the way we manage and respond to construction complaints.

The commissioner mediates on disputes about construction, involving individuals and organisations, that we can't resolve. The commissioner advises members of the public about how to make a complaint about construction.

The Construction Commissioner can be contacted on: [complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk](mailto:complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk)

## Property and compensation

You can find out about HS2 and properties along the route by visiting:

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property)

Find out if you can claim 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 the HS2 Helpdesk. For more details on our complaints process, please visit:

[www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/contact-us/how-to-complain/](http://www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/contact-us/how-to-complain/)

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