



Update: Notice of tower crane installation at Old Oak Common

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

Mobile crane and tower crane installation

We previously notified you about this work and are writing an update because of programme changes.

On Friday 18 and Saturday 19 November, we will build a fourth tower crane, known as Tower Crane 8 at Old Oak Common. It is called Tower Crane 8 due to its location on site and it will be the furthest tower crane to be positioned on site. Please see the map on page 3 for the exact location.

This tower crane will be built using a mobile crane which will be delivered to site on 18 November. The mobile crane will be delivered along with four large articulated trucks. These trucks will travel along the A40 and up Victoria Road, passing the Atlas Road roundabout to Old Oak Common Lane. Because of the size of the trucks, delivery cannot take place during normal working hours. To ensure that the delivery does not cause traffic or impact the safety of other road users, the crane will arrive on site at around 4am and be set-up between 4am and 8am.

Once the mobile crane has finished building the tower crane, it will be taken down and removed from the site. This will take place between 6pm and 10pm on 19 November.

Operatives installing the crane will use hand signals to communicate and the only sound should be the crane's engine as it goes up. This is not expected to cause a disruption.

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

Mobile crane: delivery and assembly on 18 November from 4am – 8am. Crane will be removed from site on 19 November from 6pm – 10pm.

Tower crane: installation on 18 to 19 November from 8am – 6pm. Operation from 21 November onwards during normal working hours Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm and Saturday 8am to 1pm.

What to expect

Arrival and removal of mobile crane outside of standard working hours.

Construction and operation of tower crane during normal working hours.

What we will do

We will use best practicable means to minimise any impact on our site neighbours.

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Tower Crane Installation

The tower crane will be installed on Friday 18 to Saturday 19 of November from 8am – 6pm. It will work during normal working hours from 21 November onwards.

There is a possibility that bad weather conditions or programme changes could impact the tower crane installation date. If this happens, installation will take place later in the week.

The crane will be installed so that it does not overlook the public highway or any homes. During the assembly of the tower crane, operatives might be visible walking on the jib of the crane. Please do not be alarmed, this is a normal part of the installation.

All works for the tower crane installation will be carried out from within the site boundary.

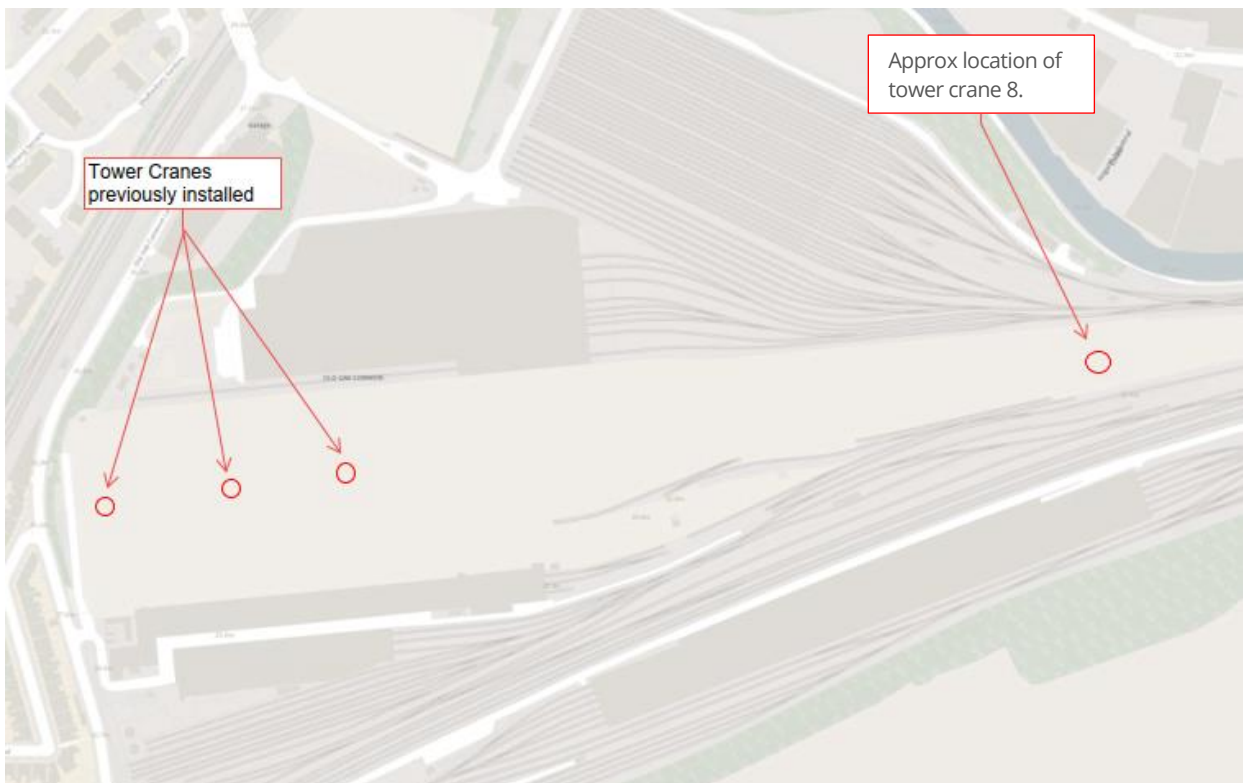
The tower crane works are expected to be completed in 2026. This work will cause minimal noise, and we do not expect this to be disruptive for the local community.

How will we reduce disruption to the local community?

We are aware that on previous occasions local residents have been disrupted by early morning deliveries and we want to do everything in our power to ensure that this delivery does not disturb our neighbours. We have taken your concerns onboard and will be implementing the following measures to minimise the impact of this work:

- The mobile crane will be arriving on four articulated trucks. The drivers are aware of the community, and they have been briefed to not make any noise including sounding horns, banging truck doors, talking loudly, or leaving engines idling.
- The suppliers, both on site and involved with the delivery process, will be briefed a day before the delivery to remind them that silence is essential.
- The security personnel and traffic marshals will be briefed to ensure that the vehicles are given swift and silent access to the site.
- Upon arrival, the delivery vehicles will be directed away from the site entrance and to a point that is as far away from residents as possible.
- During out of hours work, the operatives working to set up the mobile crane will communicate using hand gestures.
- The only sound that is anticipated is the sound of the crane's engine as it is erected. This is not expected to cause any disruption.

Location of Tower Cranes at Old Oak Common



This image shows the location of the tower cranes in the site boundary

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.

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

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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

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www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

Contact us

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 Freephone **08081 434 434**

 Minicom **08081 456 472**

 Email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**

Write to:

FREEPOST

HS2 Community Engagement

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

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