

# Notice of works A418 Oxford Road, Aylesbury

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## What are we doing?

To realign the A418, we need to conduct some localised vegetation clearance and tree felling at the points where the new road will meet the existing A418.

The new A418 realignment is expected to be operational in Autumn 2023 and will carry road traffic over the HS2 rail line.

The main construction of the realignment is expected to begin in early 2023 and will include works on the A418 bridge and the earthworks surrounding the structure where a 'cutting' will be created that the HS2 line will run through.

We will be conducting some utility works in the form of trial holes whilst we have the traffic management in place for the de-vegetation works.

Additionally, in the coming months we will also be installing traffic lights which will facilitate a right turn out of the new compound entrance.

## When will these works take place?

Works around the vegetation removal will begin from Monday 23 January 2023 to Sunday 19 February 2023.

The works will include daytime traffic management Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 3pm. However, there will also be a full closure of the A418 for approximately 4 Sundays, from 8am to 6pm whilst we work around the larger canopy trees which span the road that we are unable to access with a normal lane closure.

Please note the works exclude Saturdays and pedestrian access will be maintained throughout.

Some of this work is subject to relevant consents. Due to this, the dates may change due to conditions outside of our control. Please refer to the HS2 website regularly to check for any changes and updates.

**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)**

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### Duration of works

Monday 23 January 2023 to Sunday 19 February 2023.

Daytime working hours on the A418:

Monday to Friday  
9.30am – 3pm

Sunday working hours:

8am – 6pm

Our contractors may be on site for one hour's start-up and shutdown either side of these times.

### What to expect

Varied activities with both quiet and busier periods.

Road closures with diversion route.

Noise from plant and equipment used for the works.

### What we will do

Manage any environmental impacts, such as traffic and noise.

Respond promptly to any complaints and take appropriate action.

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### Where will the works take place?

The map below shows the section of the A418 Road that will be working in. The full diversion for the Sunday closures is highlighted although access will be maintained for emergency vehicles.

We are required to divert traffic on similar roads, as such the diversion will direct the public via A418, Aylesbury Road – Tythrop Way, Thame A4129 – Kinsey Road A4129 – Thame Road – Longwick Road – A4010 – Risborough Road – Station Road – Wendover Road – Walton Street – Oxford Road A418.

Pedestrians travelling along the A418 will be able to use a temporary diversion to the footpath and we will work to open the roads to reduce disruption as soon as possible.



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## Further information

We need to conduct some localised vegetation clearance and tree felling at the points where the new road will meet the existing A418. Before any vegetation removal, an ecologist will complete a survey of the area to be cleared. Any protected species found to be present will be recorded and the vegetation will be left undisturbed with the appropriate buffer zone established.

We will be conducting some utility works in the form of trial holes whilst we have the traffic management in place for the de-vegetation works.

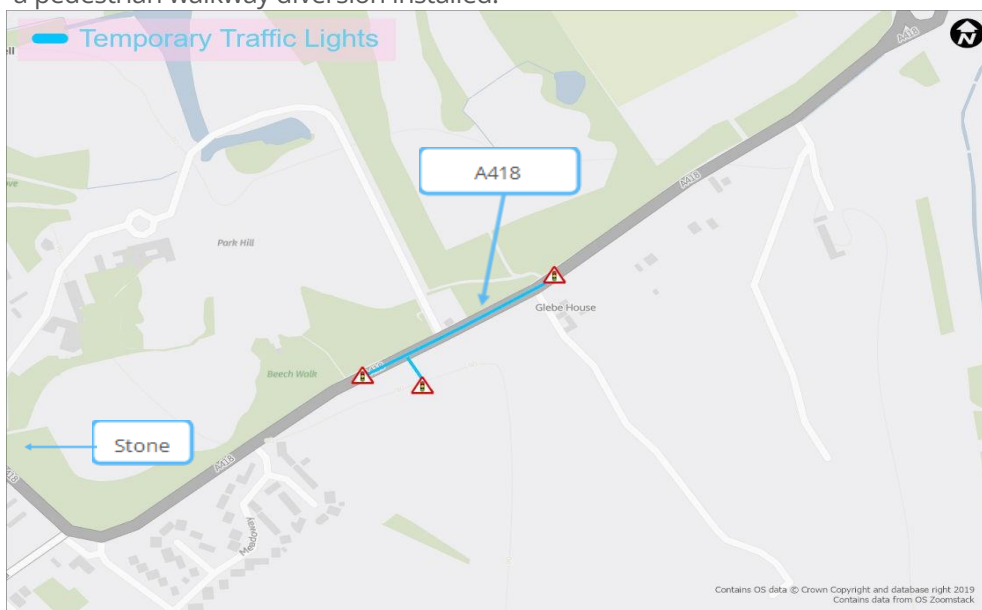
This consists of a vacuum excavator which uses pressurised air and water to create a hole to locate utilities near to the road surface. It is a safe and efficient way of excavating around other utility cables and other underground features.

Please note, there may be some noise associated with these works.

## What are the changes to the site entrance?

We are conducting some traffic modelling on the A418 with the view to install traffic lights to facilitate a right turn out of the new compound entrance. This is part of our ongoing process of adapting our work site to help improve the traffic flow on the A418. We aim to have this in place from 7am to 7pm on weekdays and from 7am to 2pm on Saturdays to allow safe exit by enabling a right turn out of the work compound towards Aylesbury. We have more of an indication on the details of these works in the coming months.

The map below shows the approximate location of the three-way traffic lights. We will be using advanced temporary traffic management which picks up road queues better than standard temporary traffic lights. We will be monitoring the timing of the lights as well as the traffic flow on the A418. Where practical, we will make improvements and adjustments to the lights as required. Alongside this work, there will also be some junction improvement works to the compound access and a pedestrian walkway diversion installed.



# Keeping you informed

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[www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter](http://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](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

You can contact the Commissioner at:  
[residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto:residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk)

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[www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2](http://www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2)

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