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HS2 Information Update

Working Hours Update - Greatworth to Lower Boddington | January 2023

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. This is a document produced to inform residents of our works during the construction of the railway.

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Overview

The HS2 Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) provides details about the working hours that contractors are able to operate. The code sets out 'core working hours' which are 8am to 6pm on weekdays (excluding bank holidays) and from 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. The CoCP describes how there are circumstances where 'additional working hours' will be required with the consent of the local authority. These circumstances include activity that is daylight or weather dependent, some structural work, essential maintenance and repairs.

The table below shows the working hours, where consent is in place, until the end of March 2023. We will provide further updates when our spring and summer working hours are confirmed.

Area	Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Lower Boddington	7am – 7.30pm**	7am – 6.30pm	7.30am – 6.30pm**
Aston Le Walls	7am – 7pm	7am – 6.30pm	7.30am – 6.30pm*
Chipping Warden	7am – 7pm**	7am – 6.30pm**	7.30am – 6.30pm**
Edgcote	7am – 7.30pm	7am – 6.30pm	7.30am – 6.30pm**
Thorpe Mandeville & Lower Thorpe	7am – 7.30pm	7am – 6.30pm	7.30am – 6.30pm**
Greatworth	7am – 7.30pm	7am – 6.30pm	7.30am – 6.30pm**

^{*}Maintenance work only **Restricted near some sensitive locations

Q. Will I hear noise of construction outside theses times?

A. You should not hear construction noise outside the times set out in the table. These times include 30 minutes start up and close down period at the beginning and end of each day. This is when equipment is turned on or shut down and staff may be leaving or returning from construction sites to the compound facilities. Some activities such as security and maintenance will operate 24 hours per day though these are of a low level of impact and noise generation.

Q: Will you be working every evening and weekend?

A: There will be some areas where regular extended hours are required, but in many areas this may be less frequent, or vary as work on the structures and earthworks progress. Due to staff welfare and resource considerations, there will still be periods where additional working hours are not undertaken.

Q: What work is restricted during our additional working hours?

A: Work is carefully assessed on an area by area basis taking into account the construction activity required, and the likely impact on nearby properties and residents. Restrictions include:

- Reduced number of vehicles on our site access and haul roads.
- Reduced deliveries to our compounds.
- Restrictions on some types of earthworks such as soil stripping, excavating, and stockpiling.
- Measures to reduce the impact of equipment that may produce vibrations.
- Additional control measures to reduce sound impacts near properties close to our construction areas created by equipment such as generators.

Q: What are sensitive areas?

A: Several areas have been identified as sensitive working locations, such as those adjacent people's homes or businesses. The restrictions for each sensitive area are determined on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the local authority, as well as noise and vibration specialists. We have installed noise and dust monitoring stations near some sensitive locations. Any noise or dust level alerts are sent automatically to our construction team so that immediate action can be taken.

The restriction zones and sensitive areas include:

- Properties between the Banbury Road
 Overbridge construction and Claydon Road in Lower Boddington.
- Some properties near the Chipping Warden Green Tunnel construction.
- Some properties near Culworth Road, Chipping Warden.
- Some properties near the Lower Thorpe Viaduct construction.
- Properties in Thorpe Mandeville near to the Greatworth Green Tunnel construction.
- Properties to the north of Greatworth, near to the Greatworth Green Tunnel construction.

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