

Spring 2023 update: Canterbury Works Ventilation Shaft

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Notification



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

During Spring 2023 we will be continuing works to construct the ventilation shaft, central adit and TID adits, which are short tunnels below ground (fig1), that will connect to the future HS2 tunnels. Location of these works is shown on the map on page 3.

How does this affect you

During these works you may notice additional noise, vibration and light from excavations and concrete works within the shaft.

Our core working hours are from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday and from 8am to 1pm on Saturdays for non-shaft related works.

We will also be working within our permitted (extended) hours from 7am to 11pm Monday to Friday when we need to conduct activities related to the construction of the shaft and adits. This is in agreement with Brent Council. This will be increased to 24 hours a day, Monday to Friday from April 10 2023.

What we will do

To help minimise disruption during our works, we will conduct works that may cause greater noise and vibration during our core hours and ensure that best practice methods are used throughout. We will continue to monitor our working methods and implement noise training to site teams working at night and advise them to be mindful of the community during works.

Dates and times mentioned in this notification may change. We will keep the community updated via post and at <https://www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/map/>

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

Ongoing until 31 May 2023

Our core working hours are 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, and 8am to 1pm Saturdays

Extended hours for ventilation shaft works – 7am to 11pm Monday to Friday

24 hours Monday to Friday from April 10 2023, for ventilation shaft works

What to expect

You may notice additional noise, vibration and light from excavation works within the shaft

What we will do

We will continue to monitor our working methods to keep disruption as minimal as possible

Provide further updates about any specific works which might cause disruption to you via post and at <https://www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/map/>

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What to expect

Construction of the Adit and TIDs will continue throughout spring 2023 before we continue excavation works within the main shaft, commencing June 2023. Further details about these shaft works will be provided later in the year.

During the Adit and TID works, we will be using an excavator to break through layers of earth and concrete, working our way along and lining the excavated route with a layer of sprayed concrete lining (SCL). You may notice additional noise during these works and experience greater noise when we are breaking out the head wall in the TIDs after each weekend or an extended break, such as bank holidays.

The site team must spray the head wall to full concrete thickness to reduce the impact from settlement on the surrounding area and minimise the risk of collapse at the end of each week.

We will also begin works to add a secondary layer of concrete to the excavated walls within the adit and TIDs. This lining will provide waterproofing, greater strength and structure to the walls.

New vehicle access point onto site

Since early February, have started to access the Canterbury Works site via the entrance on Albert Road and exit via the gate on Canterbury Road. This new route is shown on the map on page 3.

Speak to your local engagement team

We understand that construction can be frustrating for residents nearby our sites. Your local engagement team are happy to speak with you in person or virtually, about any questions or concerns you have about our works in your local area.

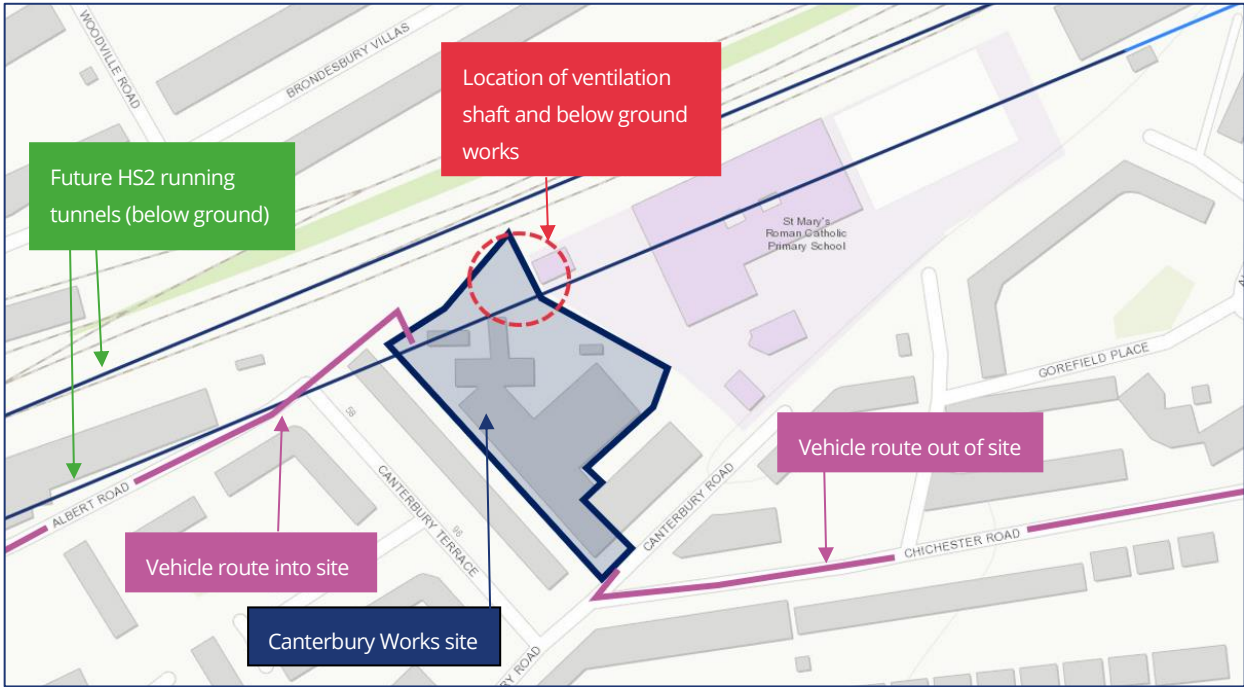
We hold virtual drop-ins on the third Wednesday of each month. Our next virtual drop-in is on Wednesday 19 March 2023. For more information regarding our drop-ins, please visit www.hs2.org.uk/events/.

Please contact the HS2 Helpdesk if you are not able to attend a drop-in and would like to speak with us at another time.

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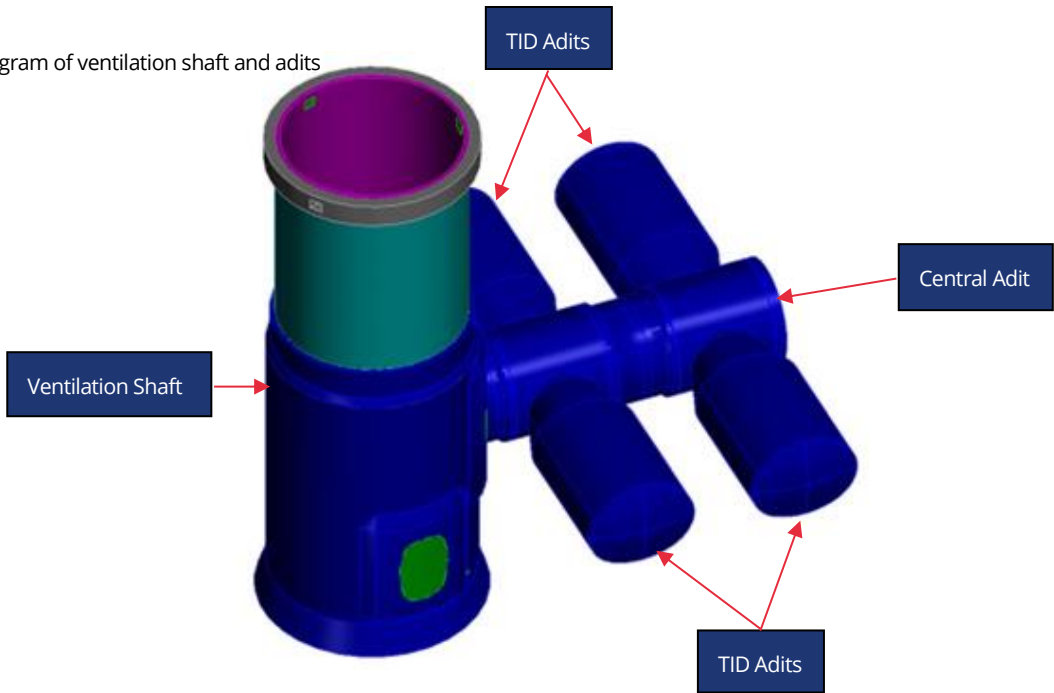
Map showing works at Canterbury Works site



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Fig 1. Diagram of ventilation shaft and adits



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

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

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

Property and compensation

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

www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property

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

www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/contact-us/how-to-complain/

Contact us

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

 Freephone **08081 434 434**

 Minicom **08081 456 472**

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

Write to:

FREEPOST

HS2 Community Engagement

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

To keep up to date with what is happening in your local area, visit:
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