



UPDATED: Notice of 24/7 working on the South Staffordshire railway line at Streethay

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Balfour Beatty VINCI (BBV) is working in partnership with HS2 Ltd to build the new high-speed railway in your area.

We are constructing Streethay Overbridge that will allow the HS2 railway to pass under the South Staffordshire line at Streethay. Streethay Overbridge is one of three bridges that will enable HS2 to pass beneath the A38 Rykneld Street, A38 Southbound Slip Road, and the South Staffordshire Line (SSL).

The work we will be doing

During the South Staffordshire line closure we will:

- Remove the existing railway tracks and excavate the embankment.
- Install piles 20 metres deep to create a retained wall and fit capping beams. The retaining walls will be constructed by drilling two continuous walls of interconnecting piles into the ground before the earth between the walls is excavated.
- Move the bridge deck into place and install it on top of the capping beams.
- Replace the railway track and reopen the railway.

When we will do the work

We have been working in partnership with Network Rail to plan a closure of the railway, which is used for freight transport, to enable the bridge to be constructed.

Update: The closure of the South Staffordshire line at Streethay was due to take place on 27 May, however due to unforeseen circumstances these works were delayed. Work commenced on 7 June and we plan to complete our works and re-open the railway on 16 August 2023.

Over this period, we will be working 24/7.

Please visit the National Rail website if you are planning a journey over this period: www.nationalrail.co.uk

To find out more about these works visit the HS2 website: www.hs2.org.uk/streethay

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

Updated- We will close the South Staffordshire line from 7 June to 16 August 2023

What to expect

24/7 working over this period

You may experience an increase in noise levels from our piling works and machinery

What we will do

Work closely with Network Rail to deliver the work safely and to schedule

Inform you of any changes in advance

Keep you informed of updates via:

www.hs2.org.uk/staffordshire

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Where we will be working

See the map below detailing our working area.



Date: 16/03/2023

Scale: 1:5,000

South Staffordshire Line (SSL)_230316065625-BBVGIS-1770 AC_EG

Streethay Overbridge

Proposed view of the A38 Rykneld Street, A38 Southbound Slip Road and Streethay Overbridge, looking east from near the A5127 Burton Road:



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Streethay Overbridge – one of three bridges

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Streethay Overbridge is the bridge that will be constructed on the South Staffordshire rail line at Streethay, forming part of the HS2 railway that will pass under the A38 Rykneld Street, which will be in a retained cutting. A retained cutting can be described as a 'trench' formed by retaining walls on either side. This is distinct from an open cutting which has sides formed of gradual earthwork slopes. Streethay Overbridge is one of three bridges, including A38 Rykneld Street Overbridge and A38 Southbound Slip Road Overbridge, that cross the HS2 line close to each other to the east of the village of Streethay. The decks of the three bridges will be integrated into the retaining walls. This means that the decks will sit directly on top of, and be supported by, the retaining walls. In the earlier design, the three decks pushed up against each other. This meant that while they were three separate structures, they visually appeared to be a single long bridge.

The updated design has increased the gaps between all three bridges by reducing the dimensions of the decks, resulting in a 25-metre opening between the A38 Southbound Slip Road Overbridge and the Streethay Overbridge and a 7-metre opening between the two A38 overbridges. Increasing spaces between bridges will help to soften the combined visual impact of the bridges. The retaining wall structures will be constructed using large diameter secant piling. This involves drilling two continuous parallel lines of interconnecting piles into the ground before the earth between the two lines is excavated away. The bridges will be completed and opened to traffic and trains before the excavation of the cutting is complete.

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: **www.HS2inyourarea.co.uk**

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