



Notice of Environmental Surveys - Washwood Heath

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Balfour Beatty Vinci (BBV) is working on behalf of HS2 Ltd to build the new high-speed railway in your area.

What are we doing?

To construct the railway, we need to carry out trial holes within our site at Washwood Heath. This is because the site was previously used for industrial purposes, so we need to remove any contaminants from the soil so it can be reused. The trial holes will help us to understand what contaminants are within the soil and how best to treat them.

What to expect

To carry out these trial holes we will be using an excavator and other machinery which may generate some noise. When we are working on solid ground types such as tarmac or hardcore neighbours may also feel some vibration. We will be monitoring both the noise and vibrations levels to ensure that we are working within our safe and permitted levels.

As there are various contaminants within the soil from time to time you may also notice a strong smell of diesel in the air as we excavate. This is not hazardous to health and will be localised and will not last.

Our working times

We expect to complete these trial holes within four weeks. There may however be a need for us to carry on with these works beyond this time, if the results of the trial hole samples require further exploration. We will keep you informed if this is the case.

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

Works to last four weeks and will be completed by mid-July 2023.

Works will take place at 2 locations - **Drews Lane and Common Lane.**

Monday – Friday

8am – 6pm

Saturday - 8am – 1pm

What to expect

Some noise and vibrations. Large plant vehicles. Localised smell of diesel from the soil but this is not hazardous.

What we will do

Ensure site is regularly monitored for increased noise and vibrations levels.

Keep disruption to a minimum.

Inform you of any changes at www.hs2inbirmingham.co.uk

Answer your questions via the 24/7 HS2 helpdesk.

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Environmental trial hole surveys. Locations near to Common Lane and Drews Lane.



What else is happening in your area?

www.hs2.org.uk

Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team

Our team is here to listen and respond to your enquiry, complaint or feedback to help us be a good neighbour.

You can contact our Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

Freephone: **08081 434 434**

Minicom: **08081 456 472**

Email: hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

Keep up-to-date with your local community website

To find out more about what's happening in your area and receive regular email updates, you can sign up to our local community websites at: www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk.

About our Community and Business Funds

We are offering two funds that are available to local communities and businesses between the West Midlands and London, to help with the disruption caused by our construction work. These are the Community and Environment Fund (CEF) and the Business and Local Economy Fund (BLEF).

The CEF is designed to give communities the opportunity to share in the benefits of HS2. It is an allocated fund that communities are able to apply for, to help to support local projects that aim to improve their local area.

The BLEF is designed to support local economies that may be disrupted by the construction of HS2. BLEF grants are for local business support organisations and local authorities to help maintain business activity in local communities.

For more information about each of these funds, including how to apply, please visit: <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds>



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.

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

Property and compensation

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

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint by contacting our HS2 Helpdesk team. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website:
www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

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 Email **hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**

Write to:

FREEPOST

HS2 Community Engagement

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

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/high-speed-two-ltd-privacy-notice>

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