

# HS2

## Old Oak and North Acton

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Three-month construction look ahead



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This look ahead covers HS2 associated work in Old Oak and North Acton.

The document includes:

- A forward look of construction activities planned in the next three months
- Works to be aware of that will take place in the next 12 months, but may not yet have been confirmed

The dates and information included in this look ahead are subject to change as our programme develops. For the latest information on our works, please visit the [HS2 in Old Oak and North Acton](#) website or our [In Your Area map](#).

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## Key

 Parkland	 Rail station	 Existing train line
 Water/river	 Underground station	 HS2 route Phase One underground

- 1 Willesden Euro Terminal (WET) site
- 2 Old Oak Common East
- 3 Atlas Road site
- 4 Old Oak Common station site
- 5 Old Oak Common Lane
- 6 Victoria Road Flat Iron site
- 7 Victoria Road Crossover Box site
- 8 Wormwood Scrubs triangle site

## Three-month look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b> <b>Willesden Euroterminal (WET) site</b>	March to May 2024	<p>The Willesden Euroterminal site will continue to operate as a rail terminal. Works planned during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receiving excavated material from other HS2 sites in the area, mostly by conveyor. However, some may still arrive by road; and</li> <li>• The conveyor system will continue to operate from the Old Oak Common Station site to move excavated materials Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm.</li> </ul> <p>The conveyor system from the Victoria Road Crossover Box site will operate 24/7 to move excavated materials from the HS2 London Tunnels;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train movements and loading of rail wagons will continue to take place 24/7 to align with the national rail freight timetable. Each week, there may be up to 35 loaded train departures and six loaded train arrivals with tunnel segments. This will vary week to week; and</li> <li>• Two gantry cranes will be in operation to unload trains and load lorries to transport tunnel segments to the tunnelling sites on Victoria Road.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b> <b>Old Oak Common East Box</b>	March to May 2024	<p>Construction activities will continue in the East Box during this period. The works will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliveries of crane parts and other large plant machinery. Due to the size of the vehicles, these deliveries are expected to take place between 5am and 6am, to minimise the impact on the road network;</li> <li>• Removal of the tunnel boring machine components from the ground using a crane. The parts will be loaded onto a transport vehicle for removal from site;</li> <li>• Deliveries, excavations, concrete pours, sprayed concrete lining and steel works to prepare for future construction of the twin-</li> </ul>

		<p>bored Euston Tunnel. Some of these works will take place on a 24/7 shift pattern; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start of works to build sprayed concrete lining short sections of tunnel in advance of future tunnelling works.</li> </ul> <p>Some aspects of these works will require extended working hours. If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.</p>
<b>Location 3 Atlas Road site</b>	March to May 2024	<p>Works planned at the Atlas Road site during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation of the conveyor to move excavated materials from other sites in the area to the Willesden Euroterminal site;</li> <li>• Removal of tunnelling equipment from the Atlas Road logistics tunnel including tunnel boring machine gantries and conveyor equipment. The parts will be loaded onto transport vehicles for removal from site;</li> <li>• Works to prepare the Atlas Road logistics tunnel for use, including construction of a roadway through the tunnel; and</li> <li>• Setting up of sprayed concrete lining plant and equipment.</li> </ul> <p>Some aspects of these works will require extended hours of working. Site lighting will be in place to support construction activities taking place during extended working hours.</p> <p>If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.</p>
<b>Location 4 Old Oak Common station site</b>	March to May 2024	<p>Works are progressing well at Old Oak Common Station site. Works planned for this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of the internal site road and concrete surfaces;</li> <li>• Excavation of material and concrete structure works for the underground HS2 station;</li> <li>• Ground preparation works in the Great Western Main Line station;</li> <li>• Piling* for the conventional station (the above ground platforms that will connect the HS2</li> </ul>

		<p>station to the Great Western Main Line and the Elizabeth Line services);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excavation of material and concrete structure works for the conventional station associated buildings; and</li> <li>• Operation of the conveyor to remove excavated materials from the Old Oak Common site towards the Willesden Euroterminal site, for transportation by train.</li> </ul> <p>*Piling = creating deep concrete foundations.</p>
<b>Location 5 Old Oak Common Lane</b>	March to May 2024	<p>Works planned on Old Oak Common Lane include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traffic management associated with various construction work. This includes lane closures and traffic light signals;</li> <li>• Trial holes and surveys for the Old Oak Common Lane bridges;</li> <li>• Utility diversion works; and</li> <li>• Enabling works, earthworks, piling* and foundations for the Central Line and Old Oak Common Lane bridges.</li> </ul> <p>*Piling = creating deep foundations</p>
<b>Location 6 Victoria Road Flat Iron site</b>	March to May 2024	<p>We will continue to operate the vehicle holding area at this site to support construction at all HS2 sites in the Old Oak and North Acton area.</p> <p>Works at this site include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation of the conveyor to move excavated materials to Willesden Euroterminal*;</li> <li>• Operation of the material laboratory;</li> <li>• Utility works within the site in preparation for future tunnelling works;</li> <li>• Operation of a batching plant to support the tunnelling works at the Victoria Road sites; and</li> <li>• Moving of materials by road to support tunnelling construction*.</li> </ul> <p>* Some aspects of these works may require extended hours of working. Site lighting will be in place to support construction activities taking place during extended working hours.</p>

		If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.
<b>Location 7 Victoria Road Crossover Box site</b>	March to May 2024	<p>Works will continue at the Victoria Road Crossover Box site to build the ventilation shaft and crossover box. These structures will regulate air flow, provide access to the tunnels, and allow trains to switch tracks as they enter the future Old Oak Common station.</p> <p>We will also build the twin-bored HS2 London Tunnels from this site to Greenford.</p> <p>Ongoing works during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of the crossover box, including base slab and headwalls (walls at the end of the below ground structure);</li> <li>• Construction of the tunnels that connect the ventilation shaft to the crossover box. These tunnels will be dug using an excavator*;</li> <li>• Launch and operation of two tunnel boring machines to build the HS2 London Tunnels westbound from the Victoria Road Crossover Box to Greenford*;</li> <li>• Operation of the on-site batching plant that will be used to produce concrete, and operation of the conveyor system*;</li> <li>• Start of the construction of the internal concrete structure within the Victoria Road ancillary shaft; and</li> <li>• Movement of tunnel segments from Willesden Euroterminal to the Victoria Road Crossover Box site via road*.</li> </ul> <p>*Some aspects of these works may require extended working hours. Site lighting will be in place to support construction activities taking place during extended working hours.</p> <p>If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.</p>
<b>Location 8 Wormwood Scrubs</b>	March to May 2024	<p>The sites currently fenced on Wormwood Scrubs will stay in place while utilities are diverted in the future. The compound will be re-established, with some vegetation clearance, to accommodate construction activities and site welfare.</p>

<b>Works impacting the road network</b>	March to May 2024	<p>We are continuing to carry out utility protection works in various locations along the HS2 London Tunnels route, including Victoria Road.</p> <p>Further details and dates for any other utility protection works remain subject to ongoing surveys and utilities design work.</p> <p>We will write to you in advance of any utility surveys or utility works that might impact you.</p>
<b>Various locations</b>	March to May 2024	<p>We are continuing to carry out surveys and monitoring of structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route. We will write to you in advance of any surveys or monitoring that will impact you.</p>



## 12 months advanced look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b> <b>Willesden Euroterminal site (WET)</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>The Willesden Euroterminal site will continue to operate as a rail terminal. Works planned during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receiving excavated material from other HS2 sites in the area, by road and conveyor;</li> <li>• Operation of the conveyor system from the Old Oak Common Station site to move excavated materials on Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm;</li> <li>• Operation of the conveyor system from the Victoria Road Crossover Box site 24/7 to move excavated materials from the HS2 London Tunnels towards Greenford;</li> <li>• Train movements and loading of rail wagons will continue to take place 24/7 to align with the national rail freight timetable. Each week, there may be up to 35 loaded train departures and six loaded train arrivals with tunnel segments. This will vary week to week; and</li> <li>• Two gantry cranes will operate to unload trains and load lorries to transport tunnel segments to tunnelling sites on Victoria Road.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b> <b>Old Oak Common East Box</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>Construction activities will continue in the East Box during this period. The works will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of a roadway in the Atlas Road logistics tunnel ready for use during construction of the London Tunnels towards Euston;</li> <li>• Works to build sprayed concrete lining short sections of tunnel in advance of future tunnelling works using tunnel boring machines; and</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assembly of two tunnel boring machine front shields.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 3 Atlas Road site</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>Works planned at the Atlas Road site during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation of the conveyor to move excavated materials from other sites in the area to the Willesden Euroterminal site;</li> <li>• Operation of <u>gantry</u> cranes to move concrete tunnel segments;</li> <li>• Construction of a roadway in the Atlas Road logistics tunnel ready for use during construction of the London Tunnels towards Euston; and</li> <li>• Utility works in the Atlas Road logistics tunnel.</li> </ul> <p>Some aspects of these works may require extended hours of working. If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.</p>
<b>Location 4 Old Oak Common Station site</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>Construction activities will continue at the Old Oak Common Station site during this period. The works will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of the internal site road and concrete surfaces;</li> <li>• Excavation of material and concrete structure works for the HS2 underground station;</li> <li>• Piling*, excavation and foundation works for the shared accommodation building;</li> <li>• Ground preparation works in the Great Western Main Line station;</li> <li>• Piling* and platform construction for the conventional station (the above ground platforms that will connect the HS2 Station</li> </ul>

		<p>to the Great Western Main Line and the Elizabeth Line services);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great Western Main Line station platforms construction and canopies installation;</li> <li>• Concrete blocks to be constructed in both the HS2 and conventional station; and</li> <li>• Operation of the conveyor to remove excavated materials from the Old Oak Common site towards the Willesden Euroterminal site, for transportation by train.</li> </ul> <p>*Piling = creating deep concrete foundations.</p>
<b>Location 5 Old Oak Common Lane</b>	Winter 2025 to summer 2025	<p>Works planned on Old Oak Common Lane during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling works, piling* and foundations for future bridge construction above Old Oak Common Lane;</li> <li>• Old Oak Common Lane utility diversion works; and</li> <li>• Old Oak Common Lane bridge construction.</li> </ul> <p>*Piling = creating deep foundations.</p> <p>We are currently exploring a number of options to undertake the works on Old Oak Common Lane which require a road closure, and we are at the very beginning of this process. No decisions have been made and we will be working closely with the local authorities, Transport for London, emergency services, local communities, businesses and others to plan these works.</p>
<b>Location 6 Victoria Road Flat Iron site</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>We will continue to operate the vehicle holding area at this site to support construction at all HS2 sites in the Old Oak and North Acton area.</p> <p>Works planned during this period include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation of the conveyor system in this site to move excavated materials to Willesden Euroterminal*;</li> <li>• Utility works within the site in advance of future tunnelling works. These works are</li> </ul>

		<p>being carried out from July next to the Network Rail tracks;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receiving concrete tunnel segments to this site to support the future construction of the Northolt East Tunnels*;</li> <li>• Operation of the batching plant currently to support tunnelling works; and</li> <li>• Operation of the material laboratory.</li> </ul> <p>*Some aspects of these works may require extended working hours. Site lighting will be in place to support construction activities taking place during extended working hours.</p> <p>If extended working hours are required, we will send out information to the local community in advance.</p>
<b>Location 7</b> <b>Victoria Road Crossover Box site</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>Works will continue in the Victoria Road Crossover Box site to build the ventilation shaft and crossover box. These structures will regulate air flow, provide access to the tunnels, and allow trains to switch tracks as they enter the future Old Oak Common station.</p> <p>We will also build the twin-bored HS2 London Tunnels from this site to Greenford.</p> <p>Work will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of the tunnels that connect the Victoria Road crossover box to the Old Common station site. These tunnels will be dug using an excavator and built using the sprayed concrete lining method;</li> <li>• Operation and maintenance of the conveyor system and on-site batching plants*;</li> <li>• Operation and maintenance of two tunnel boring machines as they build the twin-bored London tunnels towards Greenford*;</li> <li>• Delivery of tunnel segments;</li> <li>• Construction of the internal concrete structure within the Victoria Road ancillary shaft; and</li> <li>• Construction of tunnel cross passages.</li> </ul>

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<b>Location 8 Wormwood Scrubs</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	Utility diversion works, passing through the previously installed tunnels through the Wormwood Scrubs compound and connecting to existing utilities in Old Oak Common Lane.
<b>Works impacting the road network</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	<p>We will be carrying out utility and bridge surveys and protection works at various locations along the HS2 London Tunnels route. Any works on the road network in the Old Oak and North Acton area will be coordinated to minimise impact to local communities and road users.</p> <p>We will write to you in advance of any utility surveys or utility works that might impact you.</p>
<b>Works impacting the road network</b>	Summer 2024 to summer 2025	We will carry out surveys, monitoring and protection works for some structures along the HS2 London tunnels route. We will write to you in advance of any works that may impact you.

# Respecting People, Respecting Places

Having listened to feedback from communities and stakeholders, we have refreshed our Community Engagement Strategy. **'Respecting People, Respecting Places'** highlights how we will always try to do the right thing and reduce disruption to the lives of local people as much as we can during the planning and building of the railway.

We will engage with you by:

- **Informing:** Keeping you updated on issues that affect your area
- **Involving:** Involving you in opportunities as we plan and build HS2
- **Responding:** Listening to you and helping with your questions and concerns
- **Consulting:** Formally consult with you while we seek permission to build Phase 2b (we now have permission to build Phase One and Phase 2a)

## Our commitments to you

### Informing

- We will tell you about HS2 works in your area.
- We have local community websites and newsletters with regular information and updates about our work in your area.
- We have local community teams who know your area. They will hold local events and run projects to keep you informed.

### Involving

- We will involve you in opportunities to benefit and learn as we build HS2 including jobs, skills, education, employment and funding.
- We will ask you about the design of specific parts of the railway.

### Responding

- Our dedicated HS2 Helpdesk is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year, to help with any questions or concerns you have about HS2 or our work.
- If things go wrong, we have a complaints process and a dedicated complaints team.
- An independent Construction Commissioner monitors how we manage and deal with complaints.

### Consulting

- We will hold formal consultations with you while we seek permission to build Phase 2b of HS2.
- We now have permission to build Phase One and Phase 2a. This means we will only formally consult on this part of HS2 when we need permission to do things that fall outside the terms of the legislation agreed by Parliament.

# 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' Commissioner

The Residents' Commissioner oversees and monitors our commitments to you.

The Commissioner's reports and our responses can be found at

<http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner>

The Residents' Commissioner makes sure we fulfil the commitments in the [HS2 Community Engagement Strategy](#)

The Residents' Commissioner can be contacted on:

[residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto: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 at:

[complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](http://www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain)

## Contact Us

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