Notice of weekend closure of the eastbound & westbound carriageways on the M42/M6 link road

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

The work we will be doing

Throughout 2023 we constructed the piers and abutments for the M42/M6 link road viaducts. There are two 158m long composite viaducts that will carry the HS2 line over the M42/M6 motorway link road. Most of the preparation work has been done off-line to minimise disruption, where possible, on the live road network.

In February 2024 we launched the first section, pushing the bridge halfway across the motorway. In April 2024 this section was pushed across the second carriageway. This technique allows for the viaduct decks to be built offline and positioned during short closures of the M42/M6 link road. In June 2024, during the third phase of these works we pushed the first section of the west viaduct over the westbound carriageway.

We are now ready to install parapets which involves cranes working over the eastbound and westbound link road carriageway, of the M42/M6 link road.

For more information you can watch a timelapse of the second bridge push on YouTube by clicking on the link:

HS2 moves 1,100 tonne viaduct over M42/M6 (youtube.com)

A breakdown of the work

Full weekend closure of both the eastbound and westbound carriageways from 3am Saturday 17 August to 5am Monday 19 August **Westbound-** The closure will be in place from the M42 southbound at junction 8 to the M6 northbound at junction 4a.

Eastbound- The closure will be in place from the M6 southbound junction 4a closing access to the M42 northbound and southbound.

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

Notification



Subject to consent with National Highways

Duration of works

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What to expect

Clearly signed diversion route

Our workforce may be on-site up to one hour before and after to set up our equipment

What we will do

Inform you of any changes in advance

Keep you informed of updates via: hs2.org.uk/warwickshire

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Map of closure and diversion route

There will be a fully signed diversion in place and we ask road users to follow the approved diversion routes, plan ahead and allow more time for their journey.

M42/M6 link road westbound:

The diversion route will be to continue on the M42 southbound from junction 8 to junction 6. At M42 junction 6 exit the M42 southbound onto the roundabout and take the M42 slip road to go northbound and join the M6 westbound.



M42/M6 link road eastbound:

M42/M6 traffic to continue southbound on the M6 to junction 4a to join the A446/A452 southbound to join the A45 westbound to join the M42 at junction 6 to rejoin the M42 northbound.



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To make HS2 possible in the West Midlands, it is necessary to construct multiple assets within what is known as Delta Junction. This area is located from Green Lane in Coleshill up to Water Orton Village. These assets will support the construction of the HS2 line of route, ensuring the future operation of HS2 is possible.

Delta Junction is situated in the borough of North Warwickshire and consists of several large construction assets that BBV are responsible for delivering. Delta Junction incorporates the main line running North to South and the line running in and out of Birmingham known as the Birmingham Spur/North Chord.

Balfour Beatty VINCI (BBV) has 3 main interfaces with the National Highways strategic network within Delta Junction. The structures that interface with the network are M42/M6 East and West viaducts, M42 Coleshill box structure, Water Orton 1 and 2 viaducts.

The M42/M6 link road works are key to the earth works haulage strategy as the east viaduct will be used temporarily by dump trucks to transport material over the link road, reducing the number of lorries going onto the strategic road network. The site accesses which were built in July 2021 are now used regularly by BBV to facilitate the construction of structures, earthworks and tunnels.



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-ltdresidents-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-tocomplain/

Contact us

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



Freephone **08081 434 434**



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(a) Email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**

Write to:

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HS2 Community Engagement

Website www.hs2.org.uk

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