

Notification



Vegetation Removal and Invasive Species Treatment

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

Vegetation removal – 3 and 4 October

We are writing to advise you that we will be removing vegetation in the area south of Wells House Road on 3 – 4 October 2024. We will use trimmers or hedge cutters to remove this vegetation.

In some instances, vegetation will also be cleared from fences. Please see the map on page 2 for further details.

Pre-works inspections will be completed by an ecologist, and all vegetation clearance works will be completed under the direction of an ecologist to ensure fauna is not disturbed or harmed.

No access to your garden will be required to carry out the works. We will make every effort to prevent cut vegetation from falling onto your property.

Invasive species

We are aware that invasive species have been identified in some parts of the area to be cleared. We will undertake appropriate measures to control and prevent the spread of these plants where they are present within working areas. All work will take place under the supervision of an ecologist to ensure the correct process is followed.

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

Thursday 3 October and potentially Friday 4 October 2024 within normal working site hours (8am – 6pm).

What to expect

Noise from trimmers or hedge cutters.

What we will do

We will use best practice to ensure minimal disruption to our site neighbours and provide any additional works updates if necessary.

We will continually monitor noise levels throughout the works. All staff, operatives and contractors will be reminded to be good neighbours at all times.

We will update the HS2 website with any changes.

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Map showing location of vegetation clearance

The vegetation will take place approximately in the area indicated below:



Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on **08081 434 434**

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 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

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

Write to:

FREEPOST

HS2 Community Engagement

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

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