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# Notice of Curzon Street station piling works and Saturday working hours

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. The main works for Curzon Street station are being carried out by a joint venture between Mace and Dragados (MDJV).

#### **Piling works**

We previously wrote to you regarding our planned piling works to establish a stable foundation for the station construction. Reference number: HS2-MW-MD-Ph1-Bir-Cur-St-N4-Prog-works-30-15/08/2024. The works commence in September 2024 and will be completed in spring 2025.

#### Pile cap construction

As we progress with our piling construction, our next stage will be connecting all the foundation piles through the installation of pile caps. Pile caps are structural elements constructed of steel and concrete, they are designed to provide a reinforced concrete and steel cap to fit over the top of the piles that have been installed into the ground. During this method we will need to break through concrete at the top of the foundation pile using mechanical excavators and pneumatic breakers.

Due to the nature of these works you may experience some increased noise at intermittent times throughout the day. We acknowledge that these activities may cause some disruption. We would like to apologise for any disruption this may cause.

#### Saturday extended working hours

Birmingham City Council has given us authorisation to extend our Saturday hours from 8:00 am to 1.00 pm to 8.00 am to 6.00 pm. These extended hours will start from Saturday 23 November.

The additional hours will help us complete our works as quickly as possible.

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**



#### **Duration of works**

Early November to spring 2025

# **Core working hours:**

Monday to Friday: 8.00 am to 6.00 pm

Saturday extended working hours: 8.00 am to 6.00 pm

# What to expect

Increased vehicle movements to and from the site while we complete these works

#### What we will do

We will continue to monitor noise levels and dust mitigation whilst we work and minimise the local impacts of our works as much as possible

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#### Other works happening on site

#### **Draining site water**

To set the concrete piles and ground foundations, we will need to remove groundwater and any surface water from the site, a process known as dewatering. Approximately 26 pumps will be needed to drain the site of water. We plan to install three generators to operate the pumps 24/7 from early November 2024 to February 2025. They will then be switched to mains power to complete the water draining process. The generators will be powered by hydrotreated vegetable oil, producing noise levels like a diesel car idling. Noise mitigation screening will be installed around them to minimise noise levels, and the water will be discharged into the sewers. Please refer to the image below for the proposed locations of the generators and water discharge points.

## Locations of proposed generators and discharge water points



#### **Bulk excavation dig**

As we proceed with the large-scale excavation to determine the station's varying elevations, the number of lorries arriving at and departing from the site on Curzon Street will increase. This will involve the transportation, storage, and recycling of excavated earth.

#### **Site Accommodation**

To facilitate the station's construction from January 2025 we will start erecting a temporary three-story office block within the hoarding on site in the Eastside Park area. Once completed, the building will provide changing and welfare facilities for staff throughout the station construction programme.

# **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:

**FREEPOST** 

**HS2 Community Engagement** 

Website www.hs2.org.uk

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