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HS2 Update

Drayton Bassett to Handsacre | Winter 2024

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. This update will provide you with key information and news on HS2 works between Drayton Bassett and Handsacre.

Project update

Earlier this summer, we shared an update with you on upcoming construction work in Staffordshire. We have now completed the construction of the A38 southbound slip at Streethay.

There will be a series of overnight closure in February 2025 as we construct a new Rykneld Street Overbridge. More details of the closure can be found by clicking **here**.

As we draw closer to 2025, you will notice a more visible presence around Staffordshire in the new year. Construction will be ramping up and we will be carrying out community events to provide you with more information about our works in the area.

Our 2025 programme of work includes: Carrying out earthworks, construction surveys, ecological surveys, piling works and the construction of several bridges in Staffordshire. These structures will enable the new railway to pass under and over roads towards the West Coast Mainline.

Upcoming works

For more information about our upcoming works in Staffordshire, view our 2024 Winter Construction Look-Ahead by clicking here or scanning the OR code below.





Streethay cutting under the A38



Upcoming works



Drayton Lane Overbridge

The bridge deck beams have now been placed. The asset is due for completion during summer 2025. On completion, we will begin works to realign Drayton Lane to allow HS2 to pass underneath at this location.



A453 Sutton Road Overbridge

Piling works have been completed. Now begins a phase of breaking the pile caps and constructing the framework for the new bridge, including the wing walls and the abutments. The bridge desk will be placed later in 2025.



A5 Hints Bypass

This stretch of the A5 was realigned during summer 2024. This allowed us to begin construction of the Overbridge offline. We are due to recommence piling works in February following extensive ground investigation works. We will then begin construction of the overbridge in summer 2025 and this is due for completion in Spring 2026.

Community Investment

HS2's Community Investment programme enables us to support those communities most impacted by our works. 2025, will welcome more positive community investment with our communities.

Alrewas tennis club

Cemex, L Lynch and BBV joined forces to repave the pathway at Alrewas Tennis Club in October. The project aimed to improve accessibility around the tennis courts by re-stoning and providing cleaner pathways. In a single day, 40 tonnes of stone were laid after the old stones had been cleared and the ground had been levelled.



"The transformation of the pathways around the courts has received overwhelming praise, and it's clear that the hard work—moving 40 tonnes of stone and expertly laying it around the courts has made a huge difference. The space looks fantastic, and everyone is thrilled with the results" – Alrewas Tennis Club.

A stand against domestic violence

This year BBV colleagues will be supporting The Pathway Project, a charity which has been supporting families that have been exposed to domestic and sexual abuse across Staffordshire for over 20 years.

Donations are being shared with the charity on 18 December and aim to provide much needed support to the families spending this Christmas away from their family home in the refuge.



Skills, employment and education

We are committed to ensuring local communities have priority access to jobs and training opportunities.

Our Recruit Local First strategy aims to empower the communities we serve. This approach guarantees that employment opportunities within our business are initially extended to local unemployed jobseekers, offering skills and development opportunities to those who struggle to secure sustainable and meaningful employment.

Training courses are available for candidates that meet the eligibility criteria and are in receipt of state benefits. If you are looking for work, please get in touch to register your interest and send your CV to: see.team@balfourbeattyvinci.com



Two easy steps to register your interest in our current opportunities



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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:

箍 Freephone **08081 434 434**

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HS2 Community Engagement

Website www.hs2.org.uk

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