

# HS2

## Brent and Ealing

Autumn 2025

Three-month construction look ahead



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This look ahead covers HS2 works in Brent and Ealing to build four vent shafts and the HS2 London Tunnels. It also covers associated activities such as utility and bridge surveys, and protection works along the HS2 London Tunnels route. For information around Old Oak Common station, please see our Old Oak and North Acton look ahead.

The document includes:

- A forward look of construction activities planned in the next three months; and
- 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. For the latest information on our works, please visit the [HS2 in Brent and Ealing](#) website or our [In Your Area map](#).

Locations are colour coded to help you easily understand if the works are carried out within one of our worksites or on the street:

**Purple:** Works on site (inside our hoardings)

**Blue:** Works on the street (outside our hoardings)

If you have any queries about the information in this forward look, the HS2 Helpdesk is available all day, every day on **08081 434 434** or by emailing **[HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

# Map 1 – Canterbury Works Vent Shaft, Kilburn



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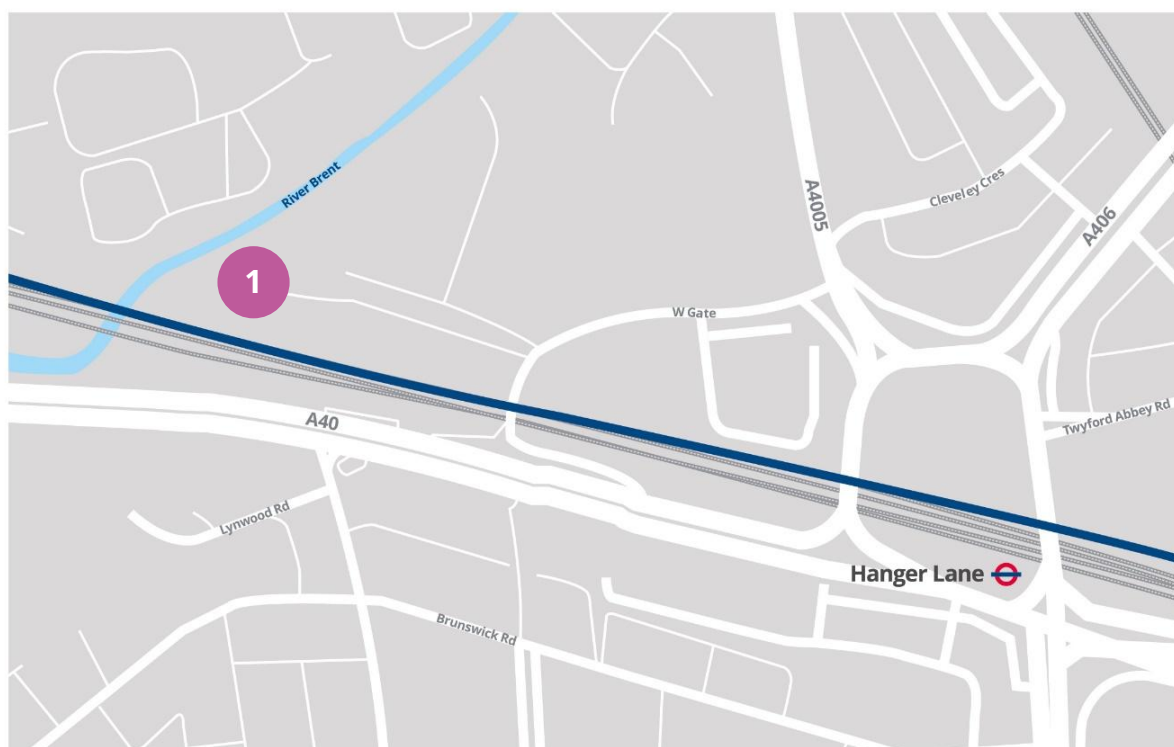
Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Canterbury Works Vent Shaft and Headhouse site	September to November 2025	<p>As part of a recent and ongoing review of the programme by HS2, our Canterbury Works shaft and headhouse site will remain in a 'safe stop'.</p> <p>The hoarding will remain in place, and there will be 24-hour security. No site activities relating to the ventilation shaft and headhouse will take place other than monitoring, design and maintenance.</p> <p>Welfare facilities at our Canterbury Works site may be used during this period. The site will be used to store materials during the South Hampstead gas diversion works.</p>

<b>Various locations, Brent</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey and decommission boreholes along the HS2 London Tunnels route</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you in advance if any of these works will impact you.</p>
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## 12 months advanced look ahead

<b>Location of works</b>	<b>Proposed duration</b>	<b>Description of works</b>
<b>Location 1 Canterbury Works Vent shaft and Headhouse site</b>	Ongoing during winter 2025/6 to winter 2026/7	<p>Our Canterbury Works shaft and headhouse site will remain in a 'safe stop'. The hoarding will remain in place, and there will be 24-hour security. Some non-intrusive works, such as monitoring, design and maintenance will continue.</p> <p>Welfare facilities at our Canterbury Works site may be used during this period. The site will be used to store materials during the South Hampstead gas diversion works until summer 2026.</p>
<b>Various locations, Brent</b>	During winter 2025/6 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey and decommission boreholes along the HS2 London Tunnels route.</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route.</li> <li>• Start building the twin-bore Euston tunnel with two tunnel boring machines (TBMs) from Old Oak Common.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you if these works will impact you.</p>

## Map 2 – Westgate Vent Shaft, Hanger Lane



### Key

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

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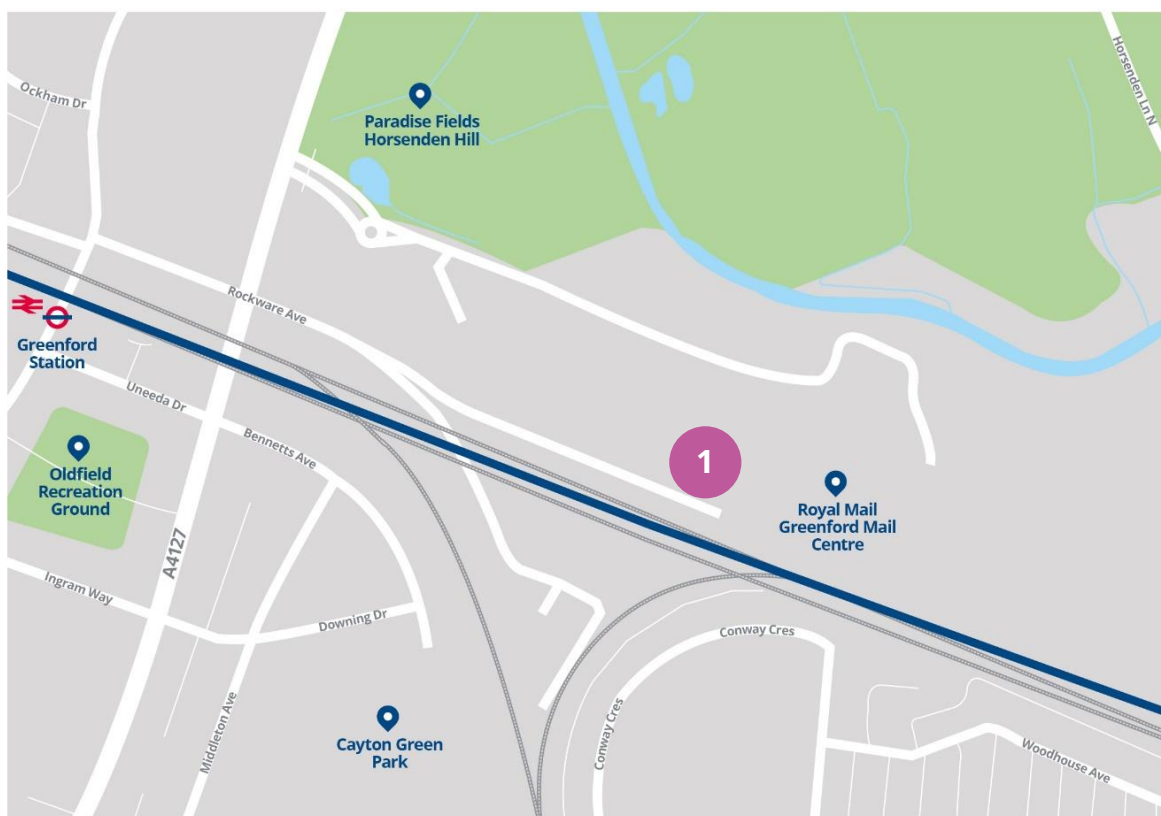
Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b> <b>Westgate Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build the internal structures in the ventilation shaft;</li> <li>• Build the headhouse (the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft) including steelwork, brickwork and blockwork;</li> <li>• Start landscaping and urban realm works within the site boundary; and</li> <li>• Install the power supply along West Gate to the shaft and headhouse site.</li> </ul>

<b>Various locations, Ealing</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build below ground tunnel cross passages that will connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel;</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the tunnel route; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the tunnel route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you in advance if these works will impact you.</p>
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## 12 months advanced look ahead

<b>Location of works</b>	<b>Proposed duration</b>	<b>Description of works</b>
<b>Location 1 Westgate Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	Ongoing during winter 2025/6 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build the internal structures in the ventilation shaft including blockwork and mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP);</li> <li>• Build the headhouse (the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft) including steelwork, brickwork and blockwork; and</li> <li>• Carry out landscaping and urban realm works within the site boundary including installation of permanent drainage.</li> </ul>
<b>Various locations, Ealing</b>	Ongoing during winter 2025/6 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build below ground tunnel cross passages that will connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel;</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the HS2 London Tunnels route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you in advance if these works will impact you.</p>

## Map 3 – Green Park Way Vent Shaft, Greenford



### Key

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

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## Three-month look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b> <b>Green Park Way Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build horizontal cross passages that will connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Remove water from the ground as works continue to build the shafts and cross passages; and</li> <li>• Carry out Network Rail track maintenance works, as required.</li> </ul>

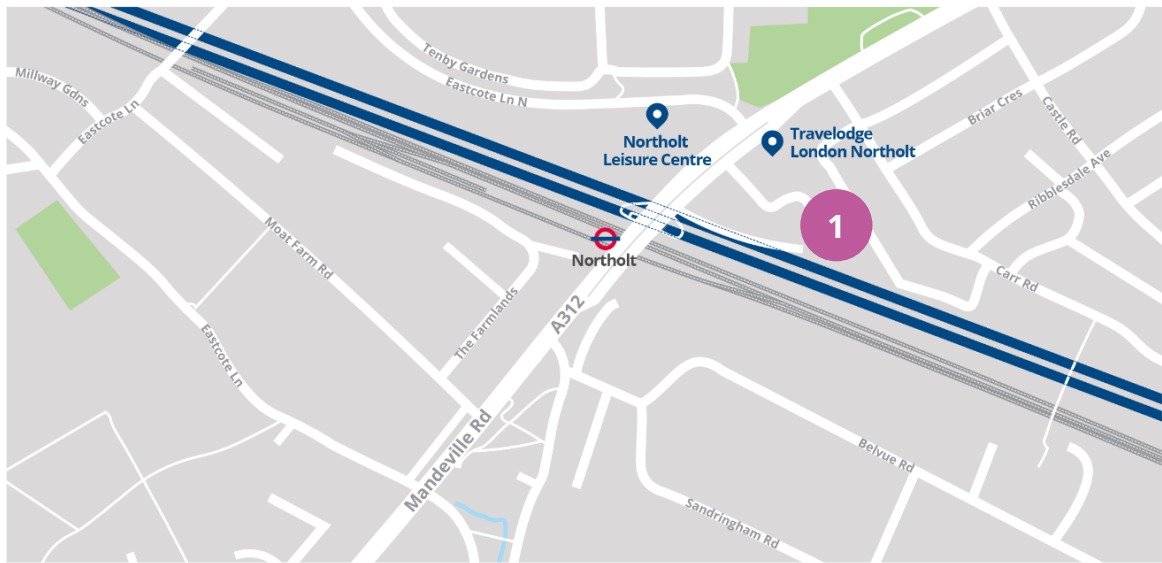
		Some activities at this site will require extended working hours.
<b>Various locations, Ealing</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build below ground tunnel cross passages that will connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel;</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the tunnel route; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the tunnel route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you if these works will impact you.</p>

## 12 months advanced look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1 Green Park Way Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	Autumn 2025 to autumn 2026	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install the base slabs, waterproofing, secondary lining, and shaft internal structure in the main ventilation shaft and the satellite shaft;</li> <li>• Install sheet piles for the ventilation basement and subsurface tanks;</li> <li>• Commence installation of permanent site boundary wall;</li> <li>• Remove water from the ground as the shafts and cross passages are constructed;</li> <li>• Build horizontal passages that will connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Build the headhouse (the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft) including the concrete base slab; and</li> <li>• Removal of gantry crane following completion of TBM extractions.</li> </ul> <p>Some activities at this site will require extended working hours.</p>

<b>Location Various locations, Ealing</b>	<p>Ongoing during autumn 2025 to winter 2026/7</p>	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build below ground tunnel cross passages to connect the HS2 tunnels;</li> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel;</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the tunnel route; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the tunnel route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you in advance if these works will impact you.</p>
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## Map 4 – Mandeville Road Vent Shaft, Northolt



### Key

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

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## Three-month look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b> <b>Mandeville Road Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	September to November 2025	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue works to build the ventilation shafts including a ventilation basement.</li><li>• Remove concrete above the upline tunnel and site. Until mid-September, some of these works will take place during 24 hour works from Monday to Friday;</li><li>• Build the connection between the satellite shaft and downline tunnel;</li><li>• Operate two cranes to move materials and construction equipment;</li><li>• Build the base slab for the headhouse (the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft) including ducting and drainage;</li></ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install reinforced concrete walls for the headhouse(the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft);</li> <li>• Build working platforms and install piles to stabilise the rail embankment; and</li> <li>• Start installing ducts around the site for a temporary power cable diversion.</li> </ul>
<b>Location Various locations in Ealing</b>	Ongoing during autumn 2025 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel;</li> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the HS2 London Tunnels route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you if these works will impact you.</p>

## 12 months advanced look ahead

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1 Mandeville Road Vent Shaft and Headhouse site</b>	Autumn 2025 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue works to build the ventilation shafts including a ventilation basement and other internal structures such as stairs, lifts and doors;</li> <li>• Operate two cranes to move materials and construction equipment;</li> <li>• Connect the shafts to the tunnels;</li> <li>• Continue works to build the headhouse (the building that sits on top of the ventilation shaft);</li> <li>• Install brickwork and cladding on the headhouse;</li> <li>• Install mechanical, electrical and plumbing in the headhouse;</li> <li>• Install a high voltage power cable;</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install and operate a secondary vehicle access point to site from early 2026 – this remains subject to approval;</li> <li>• Install piles in the railway embankment area for ground support;</li> <li>• Install a series of large storm water attenuation tanks;</li> <li>• Install permanent utilities for the headhouse; and</li> <li>• Carry out groundworks and landscaping within the site boundary.</li> </ul>
<b>Location</b> <b>Various locations in Ealing</b>	Ongoing during autumn 2025 to winter 2026/7	<p>During this period, we'll:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey, monitor and protect some structures along the HS2 London Tunnels route;</li> <li>• Build the maintenance and emergency walkways inside the Northolt Tunnel; and</li> <li>• Survey utility services along the HS2 London Tunnels route.</li> </ul> <p>We'll write to you in advance if these works will impact you.</p>

# 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 carry out 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

## 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 and Resident Commissioner monitors how we manage and deal with complaints.

# 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' and Construction Commissioner

The independent Residents' and Construction Commissioner oversees and monitors our **community engagement strategy**, making sure we fulfil our commitments to you.

The commissioner monitors the way we manage and respond to complaints about construction and advises members of the public how to make complaints.

The commissioner helps settle disputes involving individuals and organisations that we can't resolve.

You can find the commissioner's report and our responses at:  
**[www.gov.uk/government/collections/independent-hs2-commissioner](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/independent-hs2-commissioner)**

The commissioner can be contacted on:  
**[hs2commissioner@dft.gov.uk](mailto:hs2commissioner@dft.gov.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

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

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**HS2 Community Engagement**

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