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3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

The document includes:

- A forward look of construction activities planned in the next three months
- Works to be aware of that will take place in the next 12 months, but may not yet have been confirmed

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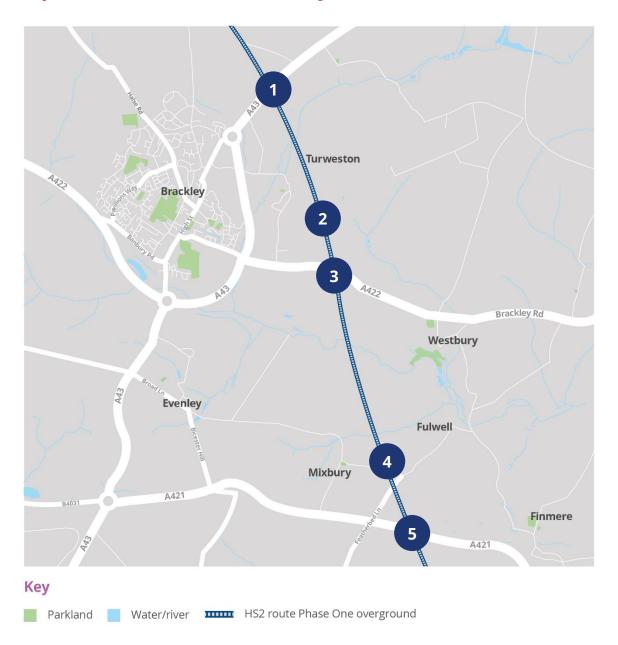
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Map 1 – Turweston to Mixbury



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 A43	Continuing throughout winter 2025	Parapet installation will continue throughout the winter.

Location 2	Turweston  Continuing throughout winter 2025	Earthworks backfill and settling of the embankment;
Tul Weston		Turweston green overbridge continues with the structural backfill, deck waterproofing, parapet installation on the wingwalls;
		Highway works to Turweston green overbridge continue and is due to open spring 2026 to traffic; and
		Earthworks activities including excavation and moving material into storage areas, forming earth bunds, and drainage ditches.
Location 3	Continuing	A442 bridge deck construction continues;
A422	throughout winter 2025	Highway realignment works continue, including utilities diversions and connections;
		Earthwork activities including excavation, track drainage and topsoil on the railway cutting landscaping; and
		Westbury viaduct parapet installation starts early 2026 and due to finish spring 2026.
Location 4 Continuing throughout	Earthworks activities continue including the	
Mixburv	0	creation of landscape bunds;
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Location 5	winter 2025  Continuing	<ul> <li>creation of landscape bunds;</li> <li>Bridleway 303/4 overbridge will receive delivery of parapets in early 2026;</li> <li>At Featherbed Lane overbridge we will complete the deck, parapet installation, waterproofing and continue the backfill;</li> <li>Work will commence on the new highway alignment and utility connections will continue during the winter; and</li> <li>Fulwell Road water diversion to start early 2026 which will require road closures in the area.</li> <li>Tie in works of the new permanent realignment</li> </ul>
Location 5 A421 / Warren	winter 2025	<ul> <li>creation of landscape bunds;</li> <li>Bridleway 303/4 overbridge will receive delivery of parapets in early 2026;</li> <li>At Featherbed Lane overbridge we will complete the deck, parapet installation, waterproofing and continue the backfill;</li> <li>Work will commence on the new highway alignment and utility connections will continue during the winter; and</li> <li>Fulwell Road water diversion to start early 2026 which will require road closures in the area.</li> </ul>
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## Map 2 - Finmere to Twyford



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 A421 / Finmere	Continuing throughout winter 2025	Earthworks activities continue, including excavation of the railway cutting under the A421 bridge along with moving materials, forming permanent settlement ponds and earth bunds.
Location 2 Newton Purcell /	Continuing throughout winter 2025	Continued excavation of the Mixbury to Barton Hartshorn cutting;

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Barton Hartshorn		<ul> <li>Completion of the Newton Purcell culvert;</li> <li>Tie in works of the new permanent realignment of the A4421 will complete in the winter and open the new overbridge and highway to the public; and</li> <li>Traffic lights remain on the A4421 to facilitate the construction of the permanent realignment of the A4421, including utilities positioning and vehicle restraint system.</li> </ul>
Location 3 Chetwode	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Completion of the School End overbridge and opening to traffic by the end of 2025 followed by excavation and removal of the old road, including sheet pile wall removal;</li> <li>Construction of the CHW/18 overbridge and highway realignment will continue throughout winter;</li> <li>Foundation works to start on the Chetwode noise barrier; and</li> <li>Earthworks activities involving excavation and moving material and creation of landscape bunds continue.</li> </ul>
Location 4 Godington	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Continued deck construction on the Godington viaducts, waterproofing and parapet installation;</li> <li>Earthworks continue with the formation of the embankments to the Godington viaduct; and</li> <li>Construction of the Godington east and west culvert continues.</li> </ul>
Location 5 Twyford	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Landscape bunds and track drainage continues;</li> <li>Cowley landscape construction continues;</li> <li>Ground settlement continues on the Twyford embankment; and</li> <li>Twyford viaduct concrete deck construction continues over the winter.</li> </ul>

## Map 3 – Calvert



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works	
Location 1 West Street/ Perry Hill area	Winter 2025	Highway backfill works, utility connections and the new road tie in will start in December or January 2026 and will require an eleven month closure of Steeple Claydon to Twyford road. West Street overbridge is expected to be open to traffic by late 2026;	

Location 2 Infrastructure Maintenance Depot area	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Offline permanent pond works near West Street overbridge are ongoing, to be completed by Christmas; and</li> <li>Earthworks activities including the movemer of materials across the plant crossing at Steeple Claydon to continue</li> <li>The remainder of platform works at the Infrastructure Maintenance Depot will be completed in mid-2026. No works expected the upcoming months.</li> </ul>	
Location 3 School Hill/Calvert Green	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>School Hill overbridge; earthworks backfill are embankment works continuing. Preparation works for the deck end pours to be completed in December 2025; and</li> <li>Bridge abutment wall drainage and waterproofing continues with the bridge planned to open to traffic in mid/late 2026.</li> <li>Calvert Green overbridge structural works to recommence in January 2026.</li> </ul>	ed
Location 4 Bat Protection Structure	Ongoing winter 2025	<ul> <li>Back fill with aggregates from North Culvert South;</li> <li>Bebo precast arches installation from North Culvert to South;</li> <li>Continue with reinforce concrete works in th South side;</li> <li>Mesh panel installation between arches;</li> <li>Maxwell Brook River Permanent Diversion; a Structure permanent drainage installation.</li> </ul>	ıe

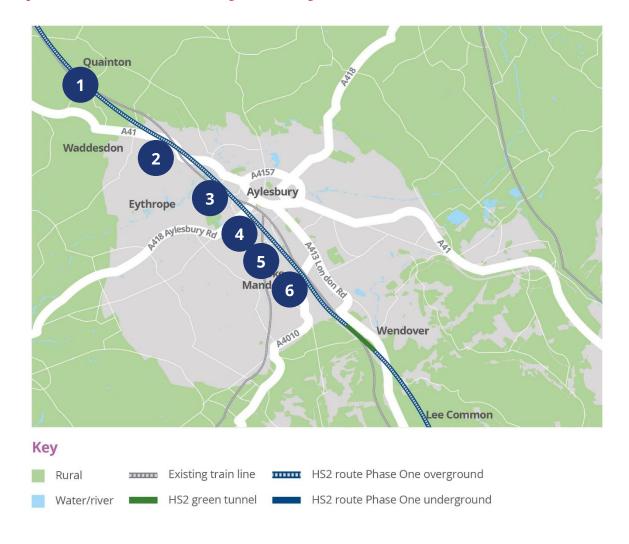
## Map 4 – Quainton



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 GUN/28 and QUA/36	Winter 2025	<ul> <li>GUN/28; parapet installation to be completed in 2025;</li> <li>QUA/36; deck works due to started in November 2025; and</li> <li>GUA/1 bridge; demolition of the bridge to take place this winter.</li> </ul>
Location 2 Shipton Lee Road	Winter 2025	<ul> <li>Edgcott Road overbridge; construction of deck and highways works ongoing;</li> <li>Closure of Shipton Lee is underway to complete the east and west tie in works from end July 2025 until end April 2026. Berkshire,</li> </ul>

		Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust and resident access is maintained;
		<ul> <li>The construction of the west and east embankment continues;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Old Shipton Lee Road bridge was demolished in October 2025;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Mainline earthworks dig and replace works ongoing; and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Road realignment works ongoing with traffic using the new diversion by Spring 2026.</li> </ul>
	Winter 2025	• Finmere Wood culvert; construction of the culvert which crosses the HS2 trace continues.
Location 3 Station	Winter 2025	<ul> <li>QUA/28; technical fill completed and construction of the bridge deck continues;</li> </ul>
Road		<ul> <li>Cycle underpass waterproofing continues;</li> </ul>
		• Station Road HS2 bridge; deck construction over the winter;
		<ul> <li>Station Road Network Rail Bridge; deck construction over the winter; and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Station Road highway; Station Road south remains closed to complete west tie in over the winter.</li> </ul>

Map 5 - Waddesdon, Aylesbury, Stoke Mandeville



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Waddesdon/A41	Ongoing to January 2026	<ul> <li>Waddesdon south cutting – progressing with landscape bund, land drainage ditch &amp; planting works (near the A41 overbridge);</li> </ul>
		Signage installation at the A41 realignment & maintenance access road works near pond;
		<ul> <li>WAD/4 overbridge - progression of structural works;</li> </ul>
		Waddesdon embankment – continuation of utility works; and

		Little Manor culvert – structural works & permanent diversion.
Location 2 Fleet Marston	Ongoing to January 2026	<ul> <li>Putlowes cutting – ground improvement (E&amp;R and slope improvement);</li> <li>Putlowes overbridge – parapet installation;</li> <li>Continue utility works at Bicester Road embankment;</li> <li>Bicester Road embankment – ground improvement &amp; surcharge removal;</li> <li>FMA/1 overbridge – steel &amp; cladding installation; and</li> <li>Fleet Marston and Cranwell Farm culvert works continue.</li> </ul>
Location 3 Thame Valley viaduct	Ongoing to January 2026	<ul> <li>Thame Valley viaduct – progress on the deck continues;</li> <li>Thame Valley north embankment – connection to outfall works for track drainage;</li> <li>Whaddon Hill cutting – ground improvement &amp; commencement of piling;</li> <li>Oxford Road embankment – progression of Thames Water utilities &amp; embankment fill works; and</li> <li>Diversion of Lower Hartwell 1 &amp; 2 culverts.</li> </ul>
Location 4 A418	Ongoing to January 2026	<ul> <li>Aylesbury embankment – piling for noise barriers;</li> <li>Aylesbury north cutting – progression of Thames Water utilities; and</li> <li>Completion of backfilling works at Sedrup north culvert.</li> </ul>
Location 5 Princes Risborough Aylesbury (PRA) Line	November 2025 to January 2026	<ul> <li>PRA realignment – commencement of devegetation works; and</li> <li>PRA overbridge - progress with local rail possessions in place.</li> </ul>

Location 6 Stoke	Ongoing to January 2026	•	Aylesbury south cutting – ground improvement south of PRA;
Mandeville		•	Risborough Road underpass – excavation for the box structure, anchor installation, pile cropping, pilecap and base slab works; and Dismantling of Risborough Road temporary
			bridge

## Map 6 - Wendover



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Nash Lee	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Lowering of Nash Lee overbridge onto its permanent bearings; and</li> <li>Continuing with ELL/20 footbridge construction.</li> </ul>
Location 2 Wendover north cutting Wendover green tunnel	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Excavation and earthworks continue at Wendover north cutting;</li> <li>Delivery of precast tunnel sections continue to site with the installation of the tunnel progressing including positioning and waterproofing, backfill; and</li> <li>Construction of new site access from the A413 requiring overnight working and traffic management on the Wendover Bypass.</li> </ul>
Location 3 Ellesborough Road and Bacombe Lane	Continuing throughout winter 2025	Continuation of Bacombe Lane and Ellesborough Road temporary diversions
Location 4 Small Dean viaduct	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Concrete pouring and parapet installation. Works on abutments, slabs, walls, backfill, and earthworks are continuing; and</li> <li>Overnight road closures on A413 and railway possession to install parapets above the rail and road.</li> </ul>
Location 4 Grove Farm	Continuing through out winter 2025	<ul> <li>Grove Farm underbridge liner wall to be completed; and</li> <li>Continuation of Grove Farm culvert tunnel boring activities.</li> </ul>
Location 5 Rocky Lane	Continuing throughout winter 2025	<ul> <li>Plant crossing in operation with controlled traffic management; and</li> <li>General construction on the Rocky Lane underbridge, including backfill and maintenance.</li> </ul>

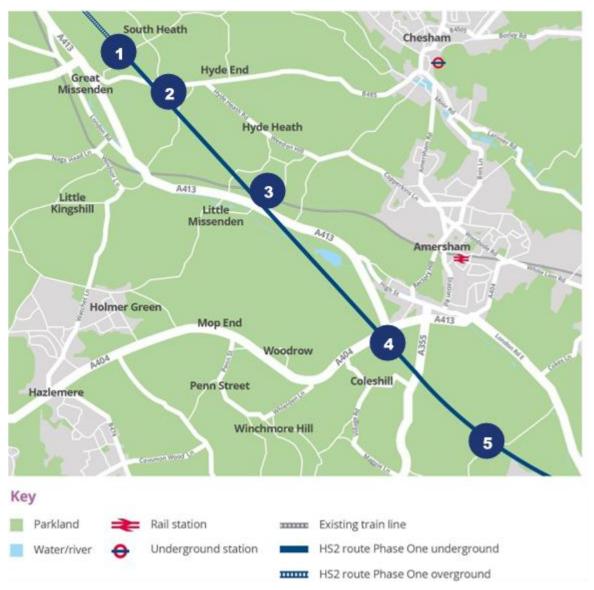
## Map 7 - The Lee to Great Missenden



Location 1 Wendover Dean	Continuing throughout winter 2025	•	Wendover Dean viaduct deck concrete works and temporary works ongoing inside the viaduct.
Location 2 Bowood Lane	Autumn 2025 to spring 2026	•	PRoW now open to the public with works likely to restart in Spring 2026.
Location 3 Leather Lane	September 2025 to March 2026	•	Leather Lane closed Sept 2025 for 14 months;

		•	Trace excavation complete enabling start of Fibre Reinforced Concrete for box structure;
		•	Ground treatment at the auto transformer site is ongoing; and
		•	Approach embankments ongoing to enable road realignment.
Location 4 South Heath September 2025 to throughout 2026	•	GMI/2 site access road diversion has commenced	
	•	GMI/2 is expected to be available for traffic in Spring 2026	
Location 5 Great Missenden	Ongoing to 2027	•	Abnormal loads for works at South Heath cutting.

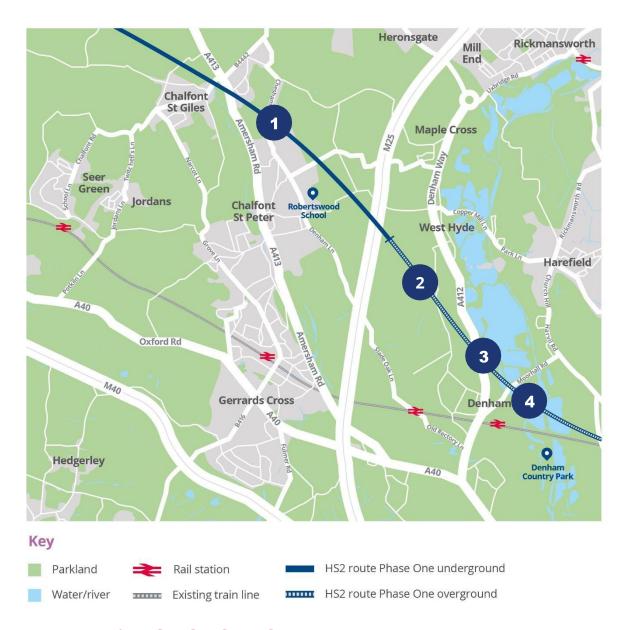
**Map 8 - South Heath to Chalfont St Giles** 



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Chiltern tunnel north portal site	Ongoing to November 2025	Porous portal construction complete.
	Ongoing to December 2025	<ul> <li>Installation of cladding for the portal building and works on the ancillary building including fibre reinforced concrete works, structural steel works, and building of internal</li> </ul>

			structures to house systems and operational rooms.
Location 2	September 2025 to	•	Installation of the lift into the shaft;
Chesham Road intervention	January 2026	•	Internal works such as trench covers, metal work etc;
shaft site		•	Seeding & planting; and
		•	Fencing installation.
Location 3	Ongoing	•	Internal works including lift installation;
Little Missenden	to December	•	Damper frames installation; and
vent shaft site	2025	•	Security fencing installation.
Location 4	November to December 2025	•	Landscaping/Demobilisation of the site.
Amersham vent shaft site	December 2023		
Location 5	November	•	Completion of civil works at the vent shaft.
Chalfont St Giles vent shaft site			

## **Map 9 - Chalfont St Peter to Denham**



Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Chalfont St Peter vent	Ongoing to December 2025 October to December 2025	<ul> <li>Damper frames, ventilation fairings and lift installation works; and</li> <li>Preparation for demobilisation.</li> </ul>

Location 2 Colne Valley Western Slopes (Hertfordshire)		•	Earthworks, including landscaping the Colne Valley western slopes with the reclaimed chalk material to create new habitat, drainage and temporary stockpiling; and Bridleway construction.
Location 3 Denham / A412	Ongoing until late 2025 Ongoing to summer 2026	•	Landscaping around viaduct piers and seeding and planting works; and Closure of Tilehouse Lane at its junction with the A412 North Orbital Road. This will remain closed to the public until summer 2026 whilst construction work and landscaping of the Colne Valley western slopes continues.
Location 4 Moorhall Road	Ongoing until late 2025	•	Moorhall Road north and south compounds are still operational and supporting the landscaping around Piers 28 to 20. The offices have now been removed as well as the traffic signals.

## Respecting People, Respecting Places

Having listened to feedback from communities and stakeholders, we have refreshed our Community Engagement Strategy. <u>'Respecting People, Respecting Places'</u> highlights how we will always try to do 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 Commissioner monitors how we manage and deal with complaints.

# **Keeping you informed**

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#### Residents' and

#### **Construction Commissioner**

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