

HS2

Birmingham

Winter 2025

3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Birmingham.

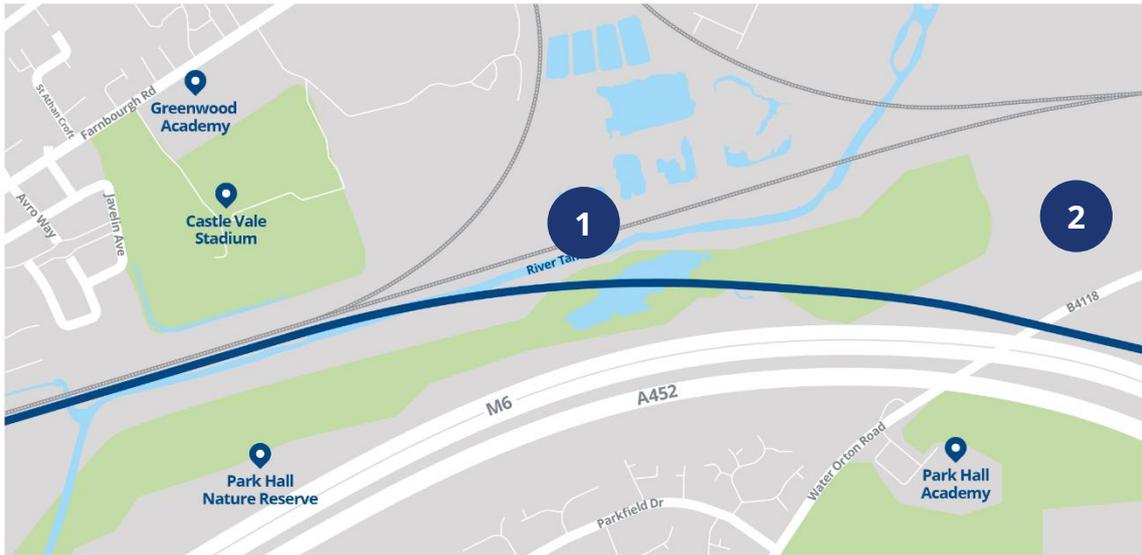
The document includes:

- A forward look at 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

The dates and information included in the forward look are subject to change as the programme develops. These will be updated in the next edition of the forward look.

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**

Map 1 – Park Hall Nature Reserve



Key

- Parkland
- Water/river
- Existing train line
- HS2 route Phase One underground (subject to consents)

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout Winter 2025/6	<p>We are undertaking different types of non-intrusive ground investigation surveys, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveying water bodies Surveying bats and great crested newts
Location 2	Ongoing throughout Winter 2025/6	<p>We are delivering tunnelling works at the east portal which started in the spring.</p> <p>Works include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing with the Civils works at the portal. Tunnelling started in July 2023 and is continuing. Activities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing with the second tunnel bore Continuing surface logistic activities (deliveries of concrete segments and various consumables for TBM, Elizabeth and surface plants, muck away operations) Cross passage construction to start end of 2025 to connect bored tunnels.

Map 2 – Castle Bromwich/Bromford



Key

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	<p>We are undertaking different types of non-intrusive ground investigation surveys, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excavating 'trial holes' • Identifying existing underground utilities using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys
Location 2	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of utilities following tunnel construction
Location 3	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are continuing the construction of the shaft buildings. • Shaft Mechanical Engineering and Plumbing building construction to start following completion of the piling works.

Map 3 – Washwood Heath



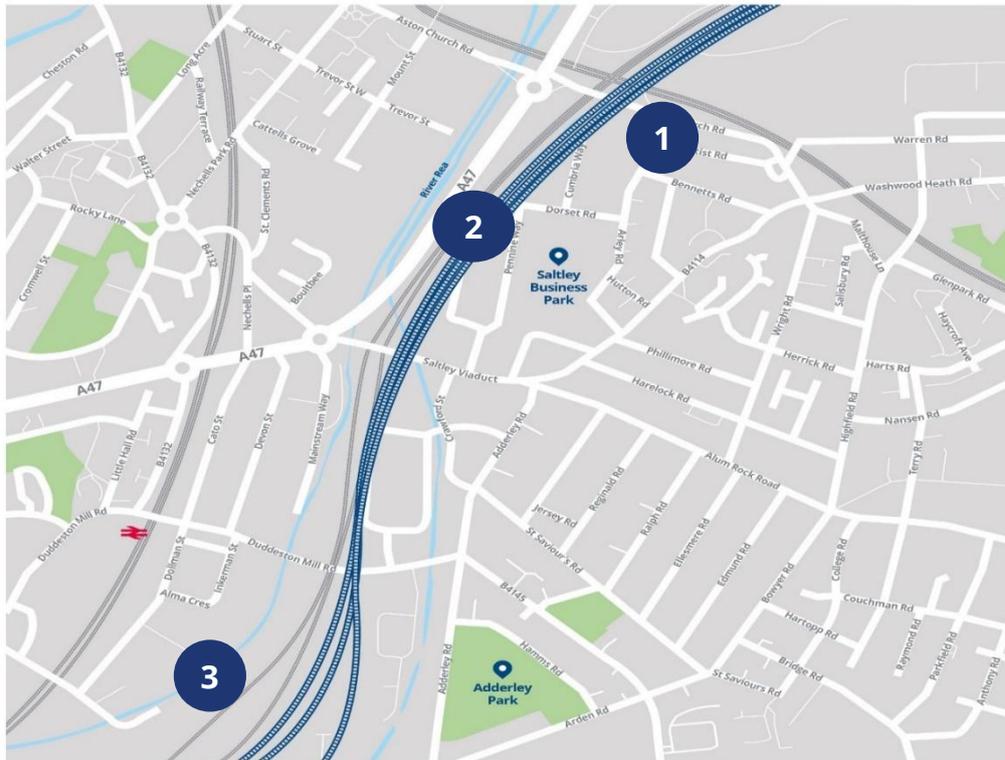
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- Parkland
- Existing train line
- HS2 route Phase One overground
- HS2 route Phase One underground
- Water/river

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work on the construction of the aerodynamic boxes is half completed Central shaft structure is ongoing Retaining cut excavation are completed The reinforced concrete works for the track bed to raise the rails back up to ground level will be completed in November 2025
Location 2	Throughout 2025/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our onsite concrete batching plant will be providing all the required concrete for the BBV sites in Birmingham. Due to the size of the structures that are being constructed, it is necessary that some of the concrete activities take place outside of core working hours.

Location 3	Completed 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Brook diversion required to enable HS2 room for construction had been completed • This diversion connects the brook into the River Tame. • The brook consists of a mixture of open channels and underground culvert.
Area Wide	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	<p>We will be undertaking various earthworks in this area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drainage installation around attenuation ponds is complete • The Saltley tank is now completed • The DD1a platform (depot platform) is now completed

Map 4 - Saltley



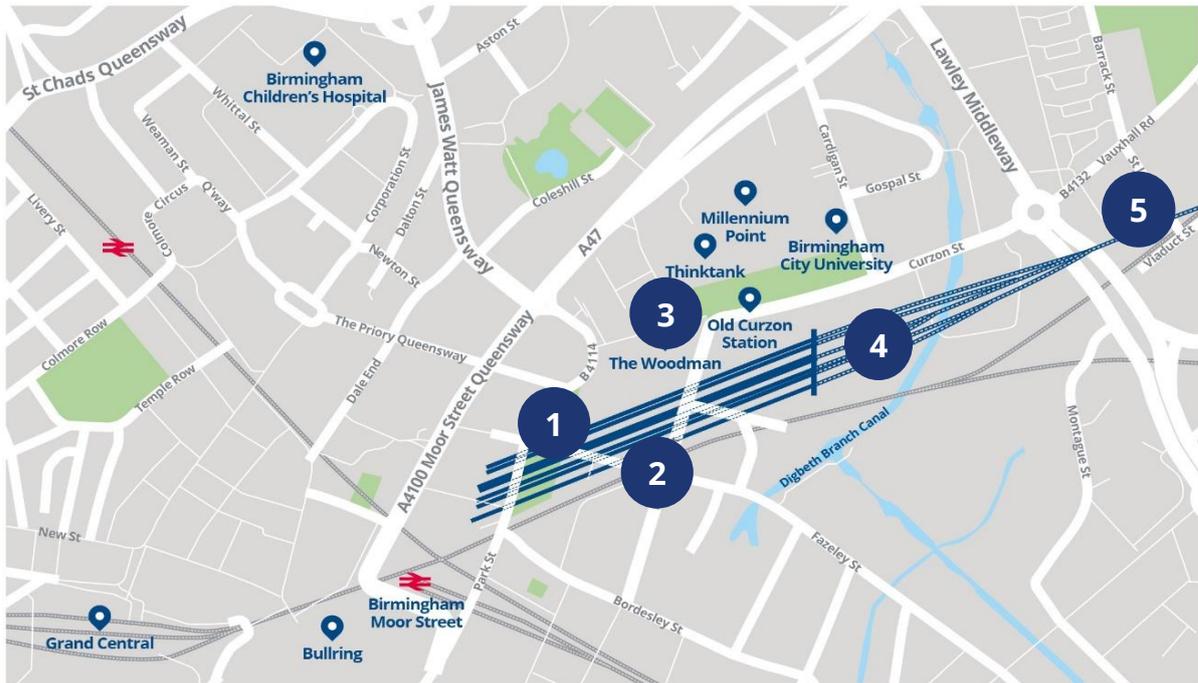
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Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Locations 1	Ongoing throughout 2025 and 2026	<p>There is currently a full road closure on Aston Church Road for approximately 14 months. The footpath will remain open for pedestrians. There is also an ongoing lane closure in place on A47 Heartlands Parkway as part of the Aston Church Road closure.</p> <p>There are ongoing utility diversions in the area with small periodic lane closures. These utilities are being diverted ahead of the new Aston Church Road overbridge being tied into the existing road.</p>
Location 2	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	<p>Saltley Retained Fill West The first phase of Saltley Retained Fill West is now complete. This section includes the tallest walls in the area, reaching up to 12 metres high, where it connects to Curzon Approach.</p> <p>Saltley Retained Fill Central This section has much shorter walls, with a maximum height of around 4 metres. We are currently working on the reinforced concrete construction. This area will carry the new HS2 tracks into Curzon Street, along with tracks providing access to the new depot at Washwood Heath.</p> <p>Saltley Canal Underbridge The remaining piling work for this area is now complete.</p> <p>Saltley Viaduct Work is continuing at Saltley Viaduct, beginning at the East Abutment area and will continue until 2026.</p>
Location 3	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	Piling is complete in this area, and we are continuing with the concrete substructure for Duddeston Viaduct Junction.

Area Wide	Ongoing throughout 2025/6	There will be various temporary lane closures and traffic light systems in place to help our teams work safely whilst diverting a series of utilities in congested areas.
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Map 5 - HS2 Curzon Street Station site



Key

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2026	Continuing works for the HS2 Curzon Street Station Groundworks; Piles, Foundations, Floor Slabs, Drainage and Ducting.
Location 2	Ongoing throughout project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing partial closure of New Canal Street - between Curzon Street and Fazeley Street Delivering utility diversions and connections at the New Canal Street/Fazeley Street junction and site wide We will continue to carry out these utility diversions in preparation for the new utility connections and testing and commissioning

Location 3	Ongoing throughout project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refurbishing the grade 1 listed former Curzon Street Station building
Location 4	Ongoing until Winter 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing to construct the deck of the new viaducts with concrete pours taking place throughout. • Finishing works on the completed decks and underground drainage works commenced. • Continuing construction of tripods and Lawley Middleway deck erection. • Push new deck across Lawley Middleway in Summer 2025.
Location 5	Ongoing until throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finishing the piers along with overall finishing works to the piers. • Curzon Street 2 Viaduct steel deck fabrication currently on site. • Lawley Middleway bridge has been successfully moved into the place over Lawley Middleway
Area-wide	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertaking a range of utility diversions in the area

Our Community Commitments

Our aspiration is to be a good neighbour every single day, by respecting the people and communities we impact and being sensitive to their needs, earning our social licence to operate.

To build the railway, we must earn the trust and credibility to do so. We need to demonstrate that we understand local concerns, and that we have taken all reasonable steps to address issues that have been raised, whilst continually looking to lessen the impacts of the project.

Through our Community Engagement Strategy and Residents' Charter we have identified ten Community Commitments which we will use as the basis for measuring our success, and that of our suppliers, in how we deliver the new railway.

We will:

1. Continue to build respectful, long-term relationships with communities and actively encourage our workforce to listen to local concerns and be considerate and accountable for their actions at all times.
2. Work with communities to develop local two-way engagement and communication programmes, ensuring they are accessible and tailored to local needs.
3. Make sure communities are made aware in advance of any activities taking place in their area.
4. Operate a Freephone Community Helpline 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
5. Make health and safety a priority for communities and our workforce.
6. Respect the wellbeing of communities, minimising disruption to their lives with local mitigation plans and activities, ensuring we meet the standards set out in the Code of Construction Practice.
7. Leave a positive and sustainable legacy for the communities in which we operate.
8. Respond to questions and complaints quickly and efficiently, with an acknowledgement within two working days, and responding within a maximum of 20 working days if we cannot answer the query straight away.
9. Promote awareness of all our property schemes so that anyone who may be eligible has all the information they need and is aware of the support available to them.
10. Display the Residents' Commissioner and Construction Commissioner's contact details on all relevant materials, along with the HS2 Helpline information and complaints procedure.

The Code of Construction Practice forms part of the Secretary of State's Environmental Minimum Requirements for the construction of the railway from London to the West Midlands. It sets out the standards and responsibilities to protect communities and the environment during construction. A copy of the Code can be found online here:

www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/593592/Code_of_Construction_Practice.pdf

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' Charter and Commissioner

The Residents' Charter is our promise to communicate as clearly as we possibly can with people who live along or near the HS2 route.

www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter

We also have an independent Residents' Commissioner whose job is to make sure we keep to the promises we make in the Charter and to keep it under constant review. Find reports at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner>

You can contact the Commissioner at:
residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

Construction Commissioner

The Construction Commissioner's role is to mediate and monitor the way in which HS2 Ltd manages and responds to construction complaints. You can contact the Construction Commissioner by emailing:

complaints@hs2-cc.org.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

Find out if you're eligible for 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 our HS2 Helpdesk team. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website:

www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

Contact Us

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