

# Railway improvement work in your area

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Dear Neighbour,

## Noisy work in your area

### What's happening?

I want to update you on what is happening on Old Oak Common Lane for the next few months as part of our ongoing work to support the construction of HS2

There will be two more overnight deliveries which involve transporting large sections of railway track to our compound. This is covered in area 6 of the table.

### Work to connect the Great Western Main Line with a new Old Oak Common station

Network Rail is working in partnership with HS2 to prepare the existing railway for the construction of HS2. This involves realigning sections of track, overhead wires, signalling and other vital rail systems to connect the Great Western Main Line railway to a new station being built by HS2 at Old Oak Common. Our work to prepare and move parts of the railway for HS2 will continue over several years.

### When and where are we working?

On the other side of this letter is a map along with the updated dates and times of what we are doing. The nature of our work means we will regularly move up and down the railway which means we will not be working next to individual properties constantly. Because of the nature of the work, we may need to use floodlights during our nighttime working.

### Electrification: What do we mean by piling, masts and overhead wires?

Our website has really good information on what we do and what it involves, Scan the QR code or visit the site via <https://bit.ly/rail-electrification>



We're sorry if our work disturbs you. It may be noisy at times, and we may occasionally use bright light, but we will make every effort to keep disruption to a minimum.

If you have any queries about the work, please telephone our 24-hour national helpline on 03457 11 41 41 or email [NRHS2@networkrail.co.uk](mailto:NRHS2@networkrail.co.uk). Please use the reference at the start of this letter.

If you have any questions about the HS2 project or HS2 construction work, please contact the HS2 helpdesk on 08081 434 434 or email [HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

**Myall**  
Community Relations Team

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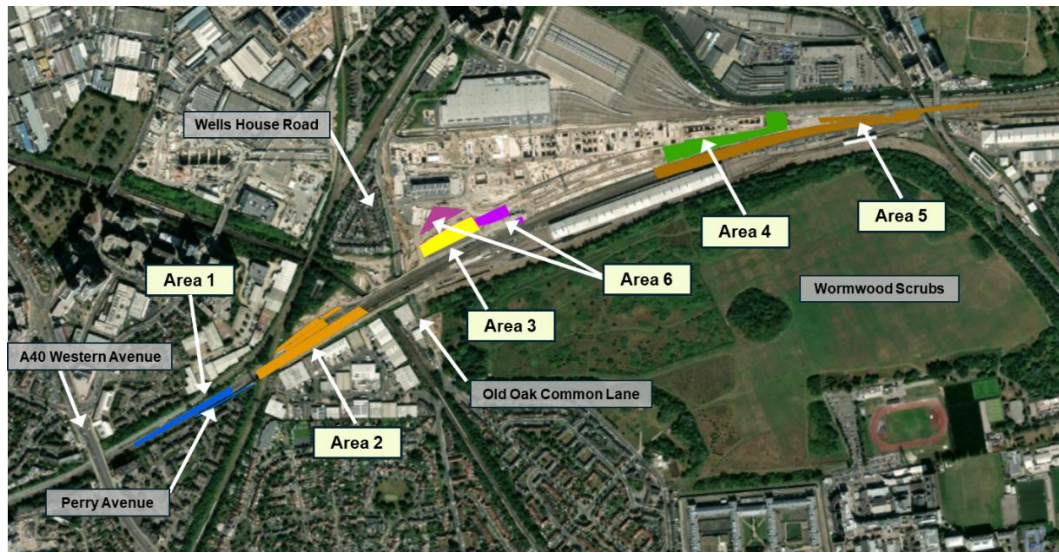


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| July - September 2026 Where & when                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <p><b>Installation of new cable routes and staff access walkways.</b><br/> <b>Testing of railway lighting systems.</b><br/> Checking and commissioning lighting installations.</p> <p><b>Installation of overhead line equipment structures and electrification support equipment.</b> This work may include the use of a cage platform and installation of overhead line booms.</p> | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/> <b>August</b><br/> 10-14, 24-28</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 13-17, 20-24<br/> <b>August</b><br/> 03-07</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 18-19<br/> <b>August</b><br/> 01-02, 15-16, 22-23<br/> <b>September</b><br/> 05-06</p> |
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| <p><b>Modifications and adjustments to overhead line equipment.</b><br/> Upgrading and modifying overhead electrification equipment.</p> <p><b>Inspection, testing and completion works to overhead line equipment.</b><br/> Final adjustments and commissioning checks to ensure the overhead electrification system is ready for operation.</p>                                    | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 20-24</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 18-19<br/> <b>August</b><br/> 01-02, 08-09, 22-23<br/> <b>September</b><br/> 05-06, 26-27</p>                                                                                                           |
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| <p><b>Installation of cable management systems.</b><br/> Installing routes and support systems for signalling, telecommunications and power cables required for the operation of the railway.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                    | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 06-10, 13-17, 20-24</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/> <b>July</b><br/> 18-19<br/> <b>August</b><br/> 01-02</p>                                                                                                                                                   |

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| <p><b>Installation of new overhead line equipment including foundations, structures and wires.</b><br/>Installing piles, masts and overhead electrification equipment used to supply power to trains and signalling systems.</p> <p><b>Removal of temporary retaining structures.</b><br/>Removing sheet piles and associated temporary works that are no longer required following completion of construction activities.</p> <p><b>Installation of new track, drainage and cable routes.</b><br/>Laying new track and installing supporting railway infrastructure.</p>                                                                          | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/><i>July</i><br/>20-24, 27-31<br/><i>August</i><br/>03-07, 10-14, 17-21<br/><i>September</i><br/>31/08-04/09, 21-25, 28/09-02/10</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/><i>July</i><br/>06-10, 13-17, 20-24</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/><i>July</i><br/>11-12, 25-26<br/><i>August</i><br/>08-09, 22-23<br/><i>September</i><br/>05-06, 19-20</p>                                                                              |
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| <p><b>Installation of new overhead line equipment including structures and wires.</b><br/>How we supply power to trains and signalling systems.</p> <p><b>Site preparation and ground investigation works.</b><br/>Undertaking trial holes and other preparatory works to support future railway construction activities.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/><i>July</i><br/>20-24</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/><i>September</i><br/>14-18</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/><i>August</i><br/>08-09<br/><i>September</i><br/>05-06<br/><i>October</i><br/>03-04</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <p><b>Railway access compound.</b><br/>Operation of our small railway access compound and lay-down area, including deliveries/collections.</p> <p><b>Installation of new track infrastructure.</b><br/>Preparing the railway formation and installing foundations to support future track works.</p> <p><b>Delivery and collection of railway materials.</b><br/>Delivering and collecting materials used by the railway. Some deliveries may take place during night-time possessions to minimise disruption to train services. This may include occasional vehicle warning sounds and noise associated with loading and unloading materials.</p> | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p>May be accessed at any time, but mostly active during weekday daytime and alternate Saturday nights.</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/><i>July</i><br/>06-10<br/><i>September</i><br/>31/08-04/09, 07-11, 14-18, 21-25</p> <p>Night-time deliveries<br/>13-14 &amp; 14-15 July<br/>between 22:00 and 02:00</p> <p>Escort vehicles will be used as before. All loads will be normal, except for those at 22:00 on 13 July and 22:00 on 14 July, which will be larger loads.</p> |



*Figure 1: Map of work areas*