

# HS2

# Birmingham

## Spring 2026

3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Birmingham.

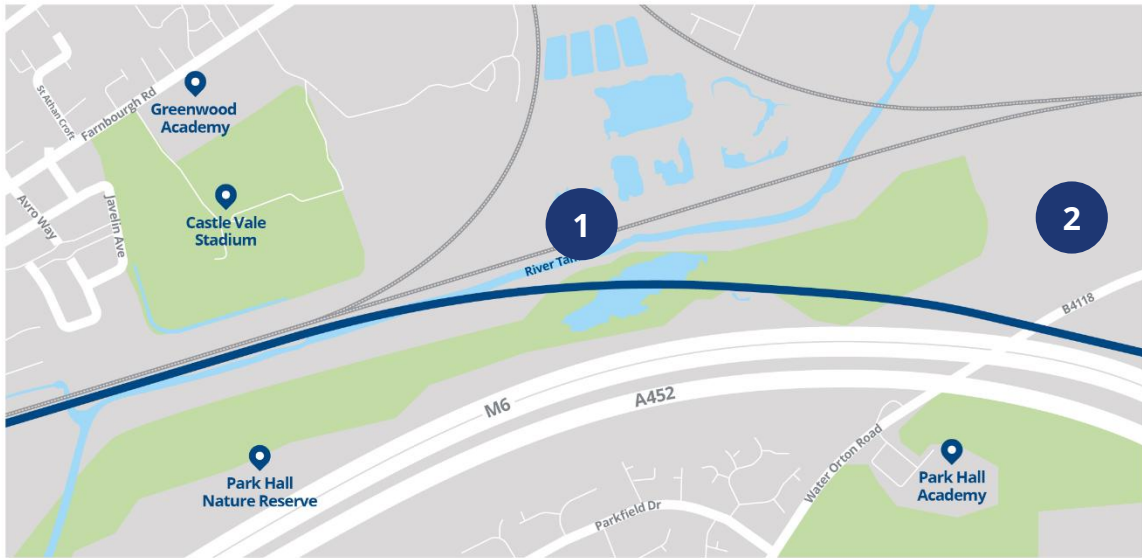
The document includes:

- 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](mailto:HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

# Map 1 – Park Hall Nature Reserve

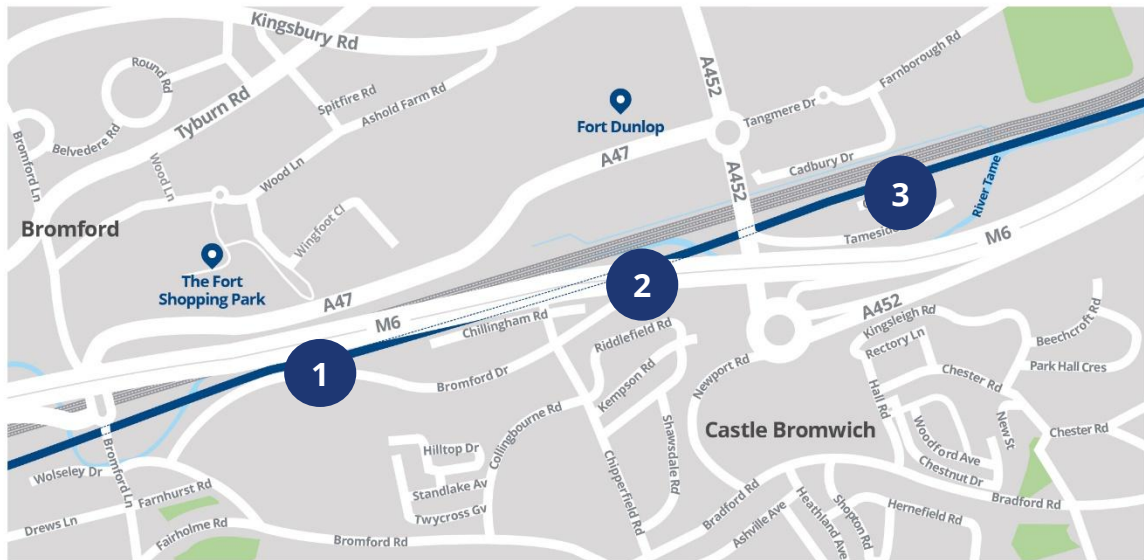


## Key






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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>We are undertaking different types of non-intrusive ground investigation surveys, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surveying water bodies.</li> <li>Surveying bats and great crested newts.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>We are finishing tunnelling work at the east portal which we are aiming to complete this summer</p> <p>Works include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing with the Civils works at the portal.</li> <li>Cross passage construction to which started the end of 2025 to connect bored tunnels.</li> </ul>

## Map 2 – Castle Bromwich/Bromford

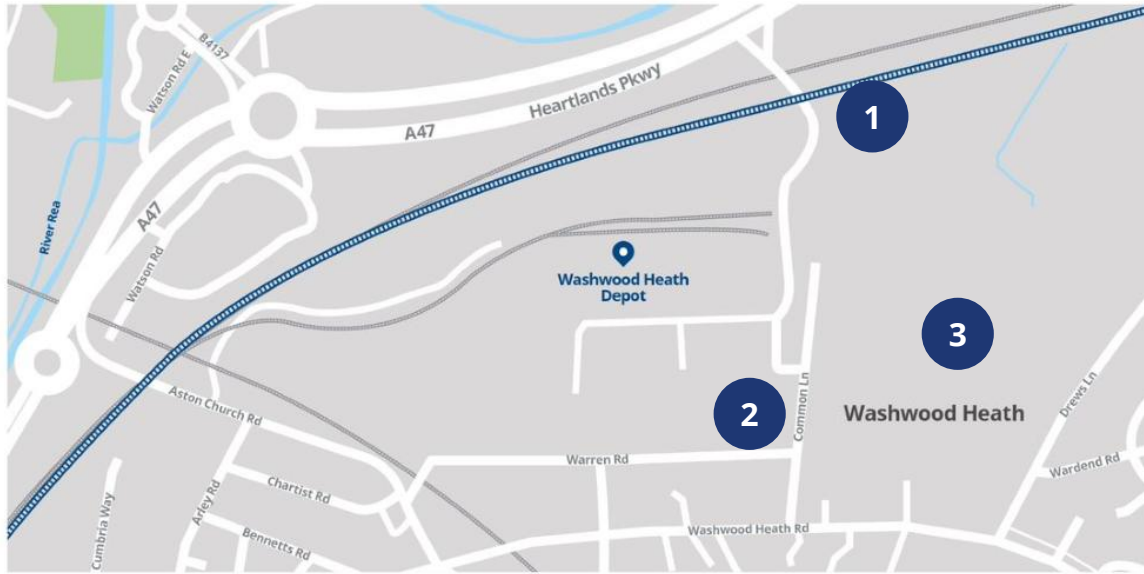


### Key

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>We are undertaking different types of non-intrusive ground investigation surveys.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identifying existing underground utilities, using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring of utilities following tunnel construction.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 3</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are continuing the construction of the shaft buildings.</li> <li>Shaft Mechanical Engineering and Plumbing building construction to start following completion of the piling works.</li> </ul>

## Map 3 – Washwood Heath

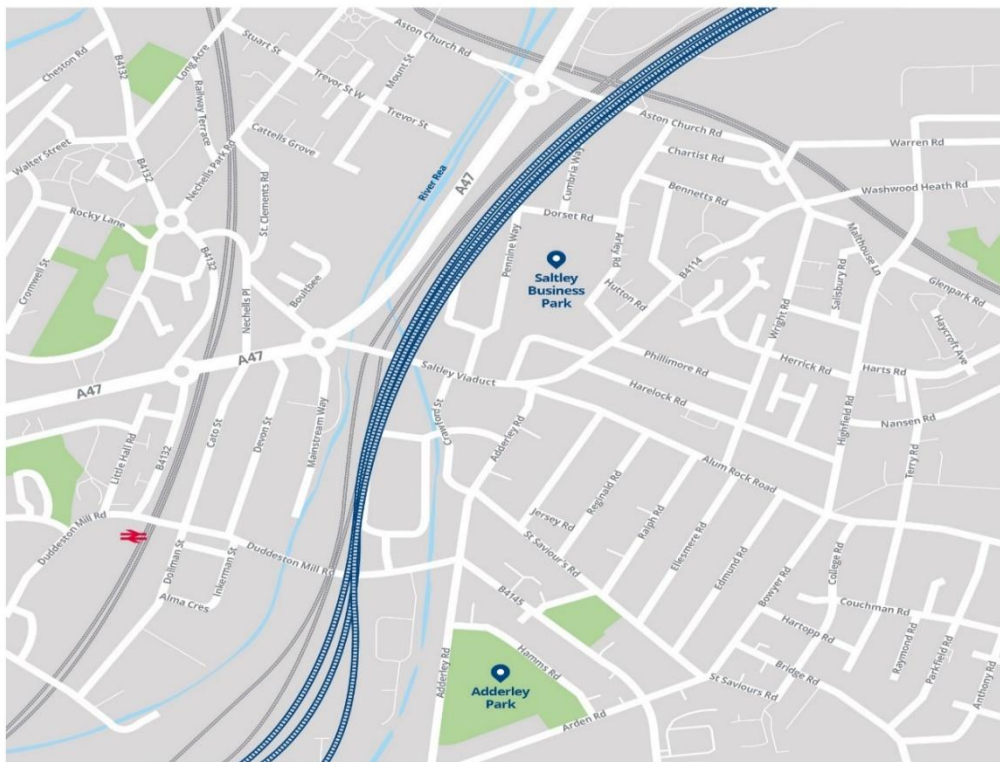
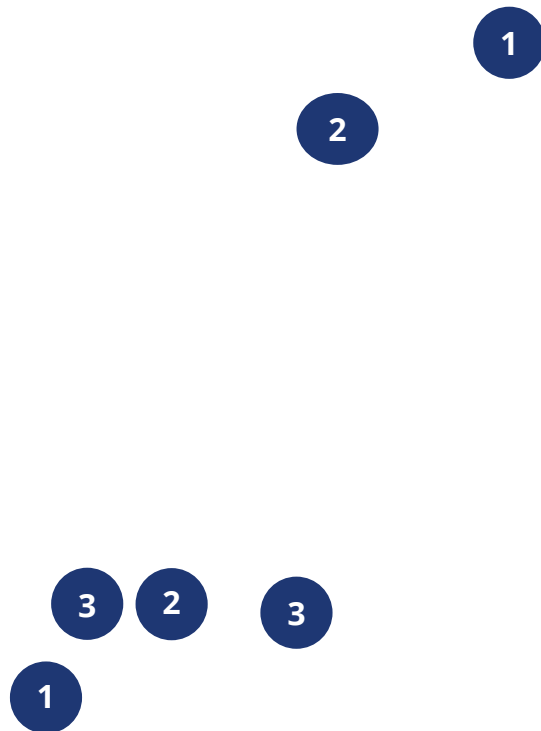


**Key**

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work on the construction of the aerodynamic boxes is ongoing</li> <li>Central shaft structure is ongoing.</li> <li>Wolsley Drive realignments works have started</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout the project lifecycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our onsite concrete batching plant will be providing all the required concrete for the BBV sites in Birmingham.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 3</b>	Ongoing in 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Brook diversion required to enable HS2 room for construction had been completed</li> <li>Landscaping and planting now underway</li> <li>This diversion connects the brook into the River Tame.</li> </ul>

# Map 4 - Saltley



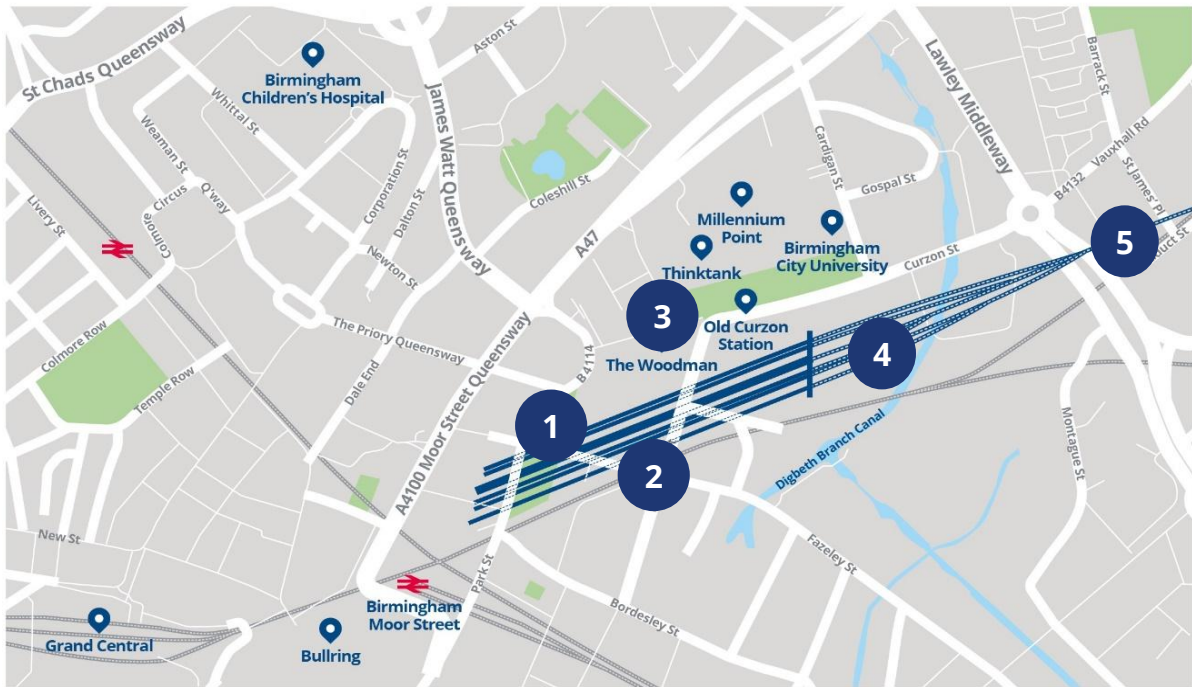
## Key

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Locations 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>Aston Church Road bridge opened earlier this year which ongoing remedial works including surfacing of the footpaths.</p> <p>The old bridge is due for demolition over the spring</p> <p>There are ongoing utility diversions in the area with small periodic lane closures.</p>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p><b>Saltley Retained Fill West</b> 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><b>Saltley Retained Fill Central</b> 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><b>Saltley Canal Underbridge</b> The remaining piling work for this area is now complete.</p> <p><b>Saltley Viaduct</b> Work is continuing at Saltley Viaduct, beginning at the East Abutment area and will continue until 2026. We are preparing for the 18-month closure of Saltley Viaduct these includes diverting utilities and working with partner organisations to minimise disruption to journey times</p>
<b>Location 3</b>	Completed	Piling is complete in this area, and we are continuing with the concrete substructure for Duddeston Viaduct Junction.

<b>Area Wide</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	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



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<span style="color: green;">■</span> Parkland	Rail station	HS2 route Phase One overground
<span style="color: lightblue;">■</span> Water/river	Existing train line	HS2 route Phase One underground
HS2 route indication		

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ongoing construction work at the HS2 Curzon Street Station site</b>, including building new floor slabs, installing underground drainage and utility ducts, and constructing internal walls.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Partial closure of New Canal Street</b> continues between Curzon Street and Fazeley Street.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Foundation works for the HS2 Curzon Street Station are continuing.</b> This includes constructing pile caps, floor slabs, underground drainage and ducting, and internal walls inside the attenuation tank.</li> <li>• <b>Work continues on the station's piers and columns,</b> along with preparation for installing the first viaduct beams.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 3</b>	Until summer 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completion of the site accommodation building</b> and changes to the site entrance layout.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 4</b>	Ongoing until Q1 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuing to construct the deck of the new viaducts with concrete pours taking place throughout.</li> <li>• Finishing works on the completed decks and underground drainage works commenced.</li> <li>• Continuing construction of tripods and Lawley Middleway deck erection.</li> <li>• Push new deck across Lawley Middleway - completed</li> </ul>
<b>Location 5</b>	Ongoing throughout project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finishing the piers along with overall finishing works to the piers.</li> <li>• Curzon Street 2 Viaduct steel deck fabrication currently on site.</li> <li>• Lawley Middleway bridge has been successfully moved into the place over Lawley Middleway</li> </ul>
<b>Area-wide</b>	Ongoing throughout project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertaking a range of utility diversions in the area.</li> </ul>

# 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](http://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 making sure 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 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/contact-us/how-to-complain](http://www.hs2.org.uk/contact-us/how-to-complain)

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 Email [hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

Write to:

**FREEPOST  
HS2 Community Engagement**

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