

# HS2

## Staffordshire

Spring 2026

3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Staffordshire.

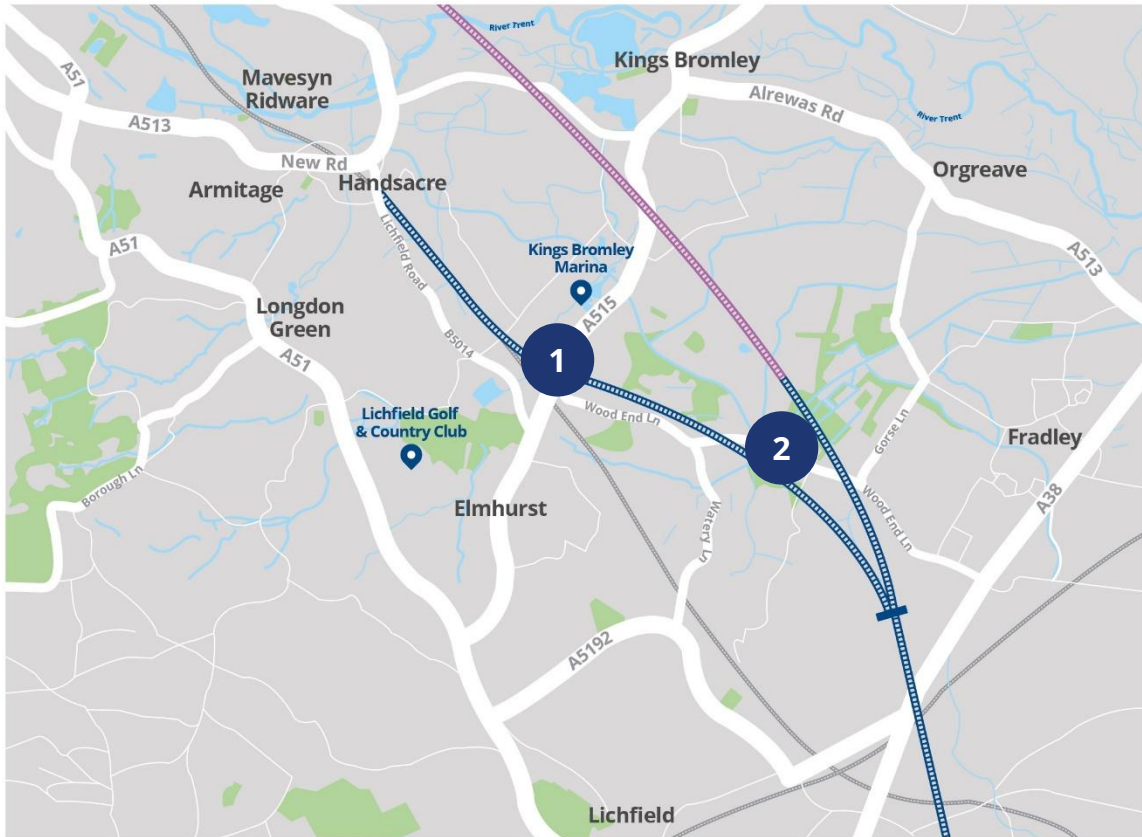
The document is a forward look at construction activities planned for the next three months.

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.

The maps included are for illustrative purposes only.

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 - Fradley and Handsacre



### Key

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

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintenance works only in this area. Permanent construction works on hold here until 2030.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing until 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Realigning Netherstowe Lane and junction with Wood End Lane. Widening footpath on Wood End Lane.</li> </ul>
<b>Area-wide</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are undertaking a range of surveys in this area, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys, which</li> </ul>

		<p>may require temporary traffic management. Our activity includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excavating 'trial holes'.</li> <li>• Locating existing utilities using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys.</li> </ul>
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## Map 2 - Whittington to Fradley



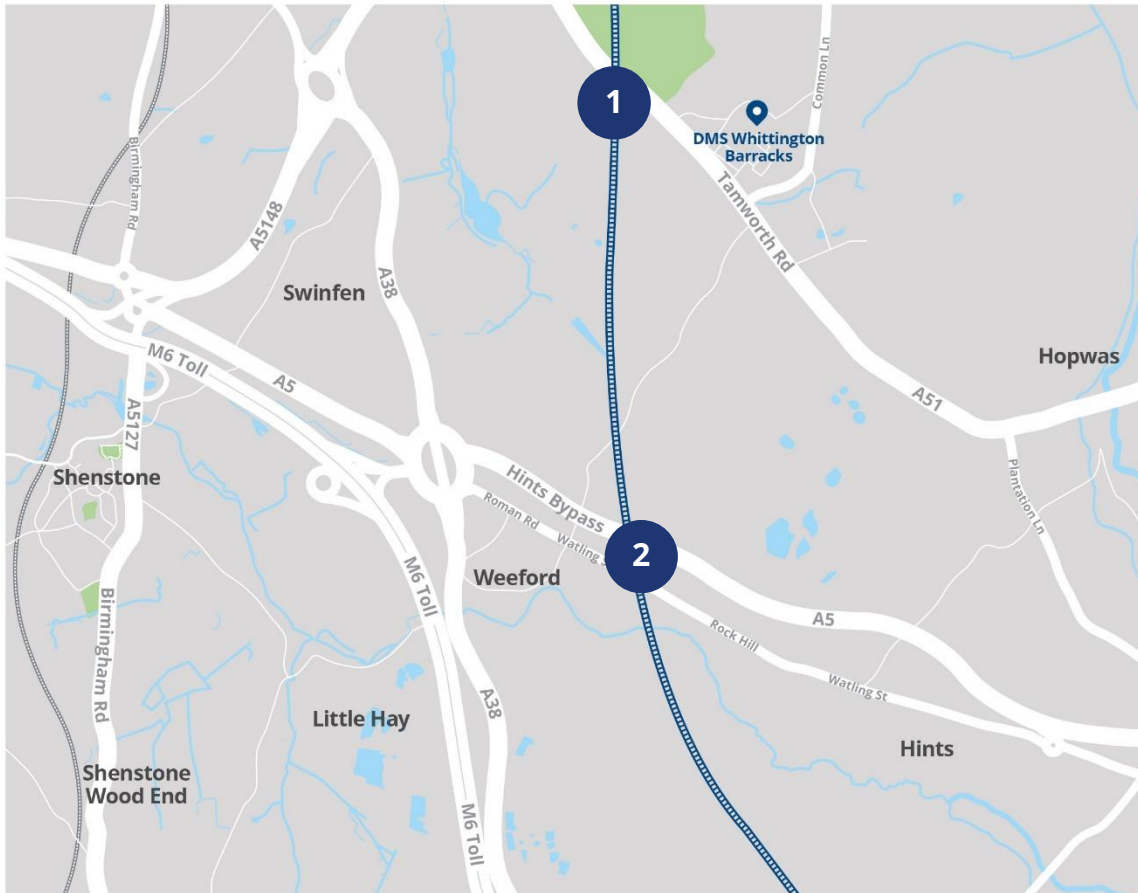
### Key

<span style="color: green;">■</span> Parkland	<span style="border-bottom: 1px dashed gray;">      </span> Existing train line	<span style="border-bottom: 2px dashed blue;">      </span> HS2 route Phase One overground
<span style="color: lightblue;">■</span> Water/river		

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026 and Q1 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of Rykneld St Overbridge phase 1 recently completed. New A38 Carriageways currently being constructed. Works will continue on the wider Streethay structure including piled foundations.</li> <li>• The A38 is scheduled to be fully closed in each direction during the Easter holidays 2026. This will allow the newly constructed carriageways to be completed and tied into the existing A38. On reopening the A38 the northbound slip road at Streethay will</li> </ul>

		<p>remain closed. This is required to allow phase 2 of Rykneld St Overbridge and new slip road to be constructed. The planned duration of the slip road closure is approximately 12 months; however we are looking at options to reduce this. Prior to these works there may be additional mid-week overnight closures that will be communicated nearer the time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All works associated with the A38 will be fully completed in early 2027.</li> </ul>
<b>Area-wide</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>We are undertaking work in this area, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys, that may require temporary traffic management. Our activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excavating 'trial holes'</li> <li>• Diverting utilities</li> <li>• Installing fencing</li> <li>• Translocating vegetation</li> <li>• Building haul roads and access points</li> <li>• Locating existing utilities using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys</li> <li>• Surveying existing ground levels</li> <li>• Surveying water bodies</li> <li>• Carrying out ecological surveys</li> </ul>

## Map 3 – Hints to Whittington



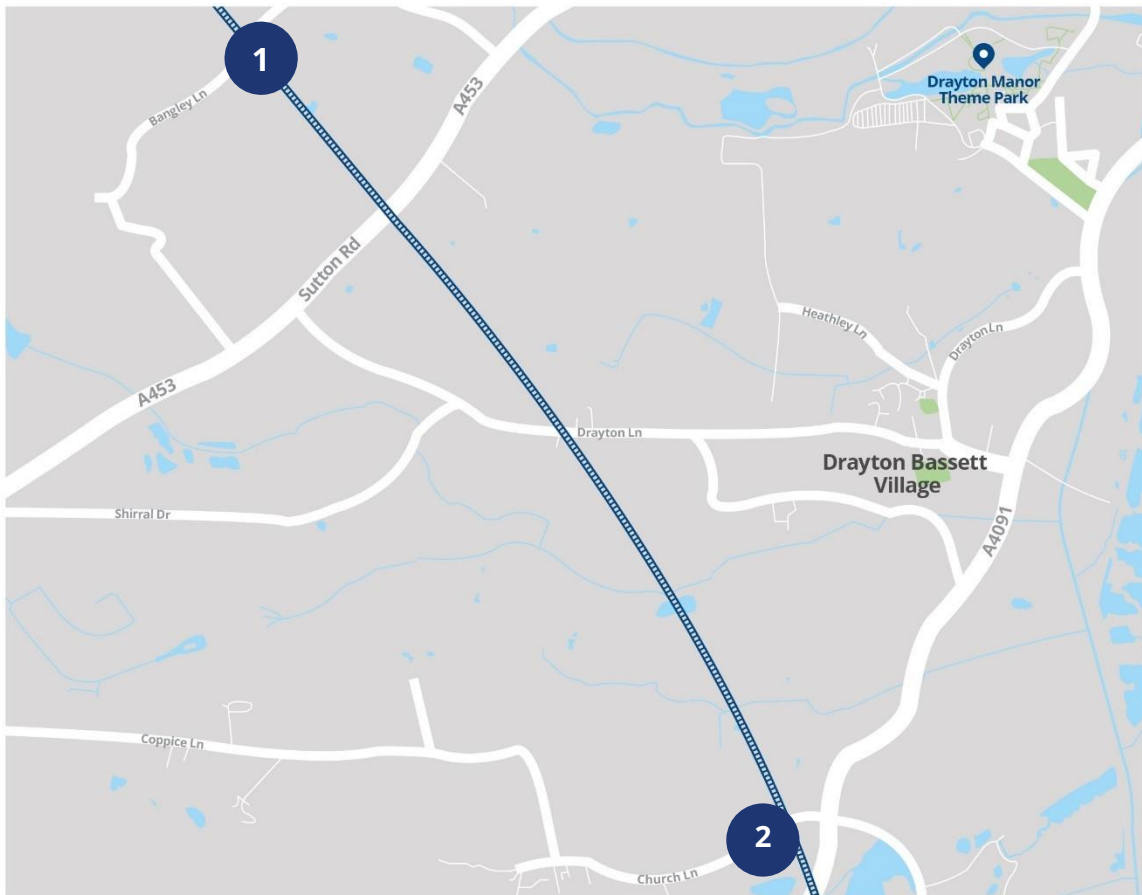
### Key

- Parkland
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- HS2 route Phase One overground
- Water/river

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1	Ongoing throughout 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Constructing the embankment at Whittington Heath Golf Club, including continuing vegetation clearance, installing additional security fencing, building haul roads.</li> <li>Construction of the A51 Tamworth Road Overbridge including earthworks works and pilling. Work due for completion in early 2026.</li> </ul>

<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>Works are continuing on the A5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Piling works have been completed ahead of structure being built.</li> <li>• Occasional overnight closures to complete routine maintenance works. Relevant traffic management will be in place if closures are required.</li> </ul>
<b>Area-wide</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	<p>We are undertaking works here, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys. Please note that our works may require temporary traffic management. Our activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excavating 'trial holes'.</li> <li>• Locating existing utilities using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys.</li> <li>• Surveying existing ground levels.</li> <li>• Surveying water bodies.</li> <li>• Carrying out ecological and topographical surveys.</li> <li>• Dismantling properties.</li> </ul>

## Map 4 – Drayton Bassett



### Key

■ Parkland   
 ■ Water/river   
  HS2 route Phase One overground

Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
<b>Location 1</b>	Ongoing throughout Q1 & Q2 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Banglely Lane overbridge structure has been completed.</li> </ul>
<b>Location 2</b>	Ongoing until 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction still ongoing, adding parapets to structure.</li> </ul>
<b>Area-wide</b>	Ongoing throughout 2026	We are undertaking works here, including utility, environmental and ground investigation surveys.

		<p>Please note that our works may require temporary traffic management. Our activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Excavating 'trial holes'.</li><li>• Locating existing utilities using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) surveys.</li><li>• Surveying existing ground levels</li><li>• Surveying water bodies.</li><li>• Carrying out ecological and topographical surveys.</li></ul>
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# Our Community Commitments

We aspire 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 always be considerate and accountable for their actions.
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 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:

 Freephone **08081 434 434**

 Minicom **08081 456 472**

 Email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**

Write to:

**FREEPOST**

**HS2 Community Engagement**

Website [www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk)

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