

UPDATED 14/04/2026: Demolishing old bridge walls on Old Oak Common Lane

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Location

Old Oak Common Lane closure for works at site of former Wycombe line bridge

Duration

Friday 17 April 10pm until Monday 20 April 5am

What we are doing

We will remove the supporting walls (called 'abutments') of the former Wycombe line bridge between our site and the remaining bridge on Old Oak Common Lane. The main section of the bridge was demolished in 2023

What to expect

A weekend road closure. There will be noisy works on the site side of Old Oak Common Lane. 24-hour working; excavators breaking concrete until late evening; removing debris overnight. We will use noise reduction methods such as acoustic blankets

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Weekend road closure for demolition and removal of Wycombe bridge supports

10pm Friday 17 April to 5am Monday 20 April

The railway bridges on Old Oak Common Lane between our site entrance and Minster in the south are gradually all being demolished and will be rebuilt as part of the programme to construct Old Oak Common station. The new bridges will carry the realigned Great Western Main Line and other railways into the station.

We removed the bridge deck of the former Wycombe line bridge in spring 2023. We now need to demolish the remaining supporting walls, or abutments, on the site side (the east) of the road.

This work will take place during a weekend road closure of Old Oak Common Lane. We will work over three nightshifts and two dayshifts. Vehicles accessing Wells House Road between Friday 17 and Monday 20 April should enter and leave from the north, near the Atlas Road roundabout.

We will also be working to the north of Wells House Road on Sunday 19 April, but our team will pause activity to allow access for resident and visitor vehicles. Pedestrian access will stay open along the whole length of Old Oak Common Lane while the works take place.

We will remove site hoarding over the night of Friday 17 April. The demolition works will start on Saturday 18 April at 9am. We will use two large excavators equipped with breakers to demolish the brick walls. We will use sound-absorbing 'shrouds', which are special, portable acoustic barriers, to minimise noise and this loud work will stop at 8:00pm. We will also use dust suppression methods and additional acoustic blankets to limit disruption.

During the night shift, the waste from demolition work will be removed by lorry. The waste will consist of heavy materials such as bricks and removing the material will be noisy at times. We will prioritise noisier works, for example breaking the abutment, during the day to minimise disruption for the community. We will also be offering hotels to residents most impacted during these works.

Please see next page for a map of where these works are taking place. Work will continue in this area until around spring 2027 with various changes to pedestrian routes but we will be in touch with further details of this work later in the year.

Additional work taking place during the road closures

Sunday 19 April, 8am - 5pm

While the road closure is in place we will also be renewing white lines and road markings on the section of Old Oak Common Lane by Minster, south of the bridges.

Removing the old markings will be noisy as we need to roughen and scrape away the surface layer using machines before painting on new white lines. We will use noise mitigation measures where possible. This will be done within our core working hours between 8am and 5pm.

A map of these works is on page 4.

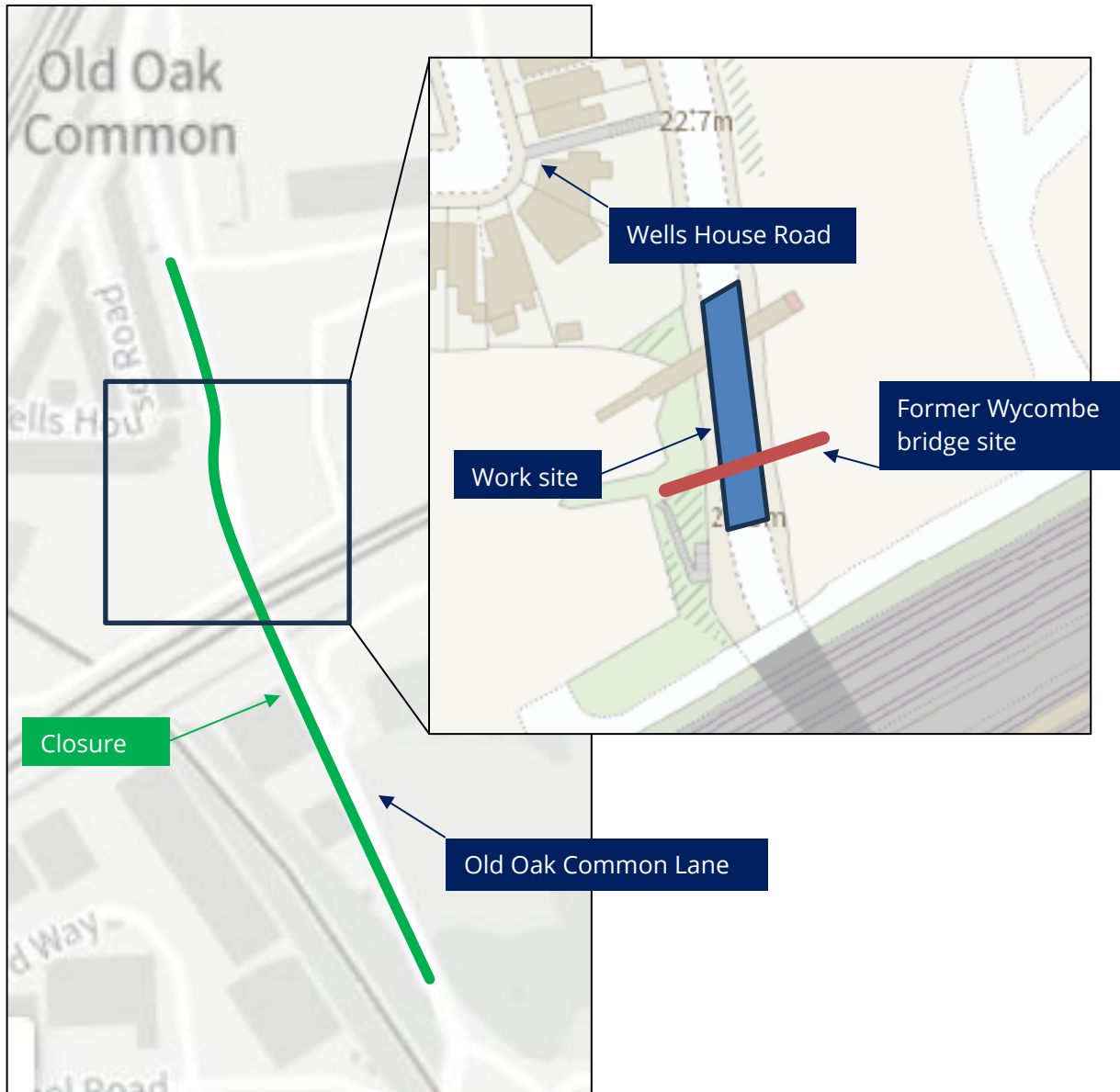
Works taking place at 51 Wells House Road

Saturday 18 to Sunday 19 April, 9am - 5pm

Local residents may notice some work taking place in the garden of 51 Wells House Road. A team will be removing vegetation and installing a fence in preparation for surveying work. The results from these surveys will help with the structural design of the stairs on Wells House Road.

Access to the garden will be from Old Oak Common Lane, via a scaffold which will be installed during this road closure. The team will be doing as much work by hand as possible to minimise noise.

Where we will be working for the demolition and removal of Wycombe bridge supports



Where we will be working during the road closure on Sunday 19 April



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