

Notice of odour management and odour mitigation taking place near Water Orton and Coleshill

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Location

Stockpiles situated on our worksites south of Water Orton (shown on map below)
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Duration

Four months from Monday 6 July through to end-October 2026

What we are doing

Works will commence to relocate/landscape two existing stockpiles of material originally removed from the Bromford tunnels. These stockpiles are situated on our worksites south of Water Orton.

What to expect

The commencement of these earthworks may lead to a recurrence of airborne odour from early July 2026. Ahead of, and during the duration of our works, BBV will proactively engage with the community should the odour become noticeable, including keeping residents regularly updated on the actions we are taking to minimise and mitigate this impact.

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 you. Should you have any questions or concerns about our works you can contact us by:



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What to expect

The reshaping and capping of the stockpiles took place in November 2025 to mitigate any potential odour release.

- Work will be managed to reduce the impact of odour including minimising exposure of the area being excavated and potentially deploying odour diffusers and mist cannons.
- BBV will be actively encouraging reporting from the local community of any noticeable odours that may occur because of these earthworks, via the HS2 Helpdesk.
- All reports will be investigated and responded to along with details of actions taken to mitigate the impact.
- All works will be contained to our sites and movements of any material will be a short distance of no more than approximately 200 to 300 meters.
- The excavated material from Stockpile 1 will be placed in a pit below ground level and then covered with subsoil and topsoil once fully relocated. A portion of material from Stockpile 1 will also be used to create a permanent landscape bund.
- There will be limited reshaping and movement of earth on Stockpile 2.
- Community drop-in events will take place in Water Orton and Coleshill – the location and dates of these events are shown on page 4.



What mitigations can you expect

Both the Environment Agency and the Local Authority have been involved throughout the process of the planning of these works.

- While all practical measures will be taken to mitigate the odour, there may still be occasions where odour is noticeable by residents, in the event of an odour report from the community the established HS2 complaints process and designated response timelines will be followed.
- The Environment Agency and the Local Authority will be notified of any complaint being received via the HS2 Helpdesk.
- Monitoring for any odour will be undertaken on a regular basis throughout the duration of the works by BBV, the Environment Agency and the Local Authority.
- There will be a potential deployment of mist cannons and odour diffusers.
- There will also be the creation of a permanent landscape bund from material removed from the Borrow Pit.
- Stockpile 2 will be reshaped in its current location. There will be limited exposure of potentially odour causing material throughout this process.



Community Drop-ins in your Area

Balfour Beatty Vinci would like to invite you to a drop in event to learn more about the odour and the related mitigation that will be in place – see information below:

The event will provide an opportunity to speak directly with members of the project team, view plans, ask questions, and share your feedback. Whether you are a local resident, business owner or a regular user of the area, your views are important to us.

We look forward to welcoming you and discussing any queries you may have.



Events	Location	Date/ Time	Eventbrite Link
Community Drop-in Event	Coleshill Town Hall, High Street, Coleshill, B46 3BG	Tuesday 30 June 2026, from 4pm – 6pm	
Community Drop-in Event	The Pavillion, Openfield Croft, Water Orton, B46 1RE	Thursday 2 July 2026, from 4pm to 6pm	

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Holding us to account

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We have an independent Residents' and Construction Commissioner who helps settle disputes and monitors the way in which we manage and respond to complaints about construction.

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