



Notice of temporary full road closure on School Lane, including the junction to Ridware Road, Rugeley

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain.

Project Update

Following the government's announcement of the Northern Growth Strategy on 14 January 2025, the Secretary of State for Transport outlined the government's intention to maintain its land holdings along the former Phase 2a route whilst further work is undertaken to establish how best to support the governments rail ambitions across the north. The government has said that retaining this land is not a reinstatement of the cancelled HS2 Phase 2a.

The activity described below is needed either to finish work on an existing site, for the ongoing maintenance of a site, or for health, safety and security reasons.

What we are doing

As part of our ongoing maintenance of sites along School Lane, we will need to complete works within and adjacent to the highway. The works include

- undertaking ground penetrating surveys (GPRs)
- completing 10 road cores
- a tree survey and
- a drainage survey

To complete this work we need to install a temporary full road closure on School Lane including the junction leading to Ridware Road

If your journey is affected by these works, we appreciate your patience and understanding and we urge you to allow additional time for your journey as necessary.

The work will be carried out in compliance with the Code of Construction Practice, and we will inform you in advance of any changes to the dates and working times.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on 08081 434 434 or email hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

Duration of works

Date:

Tuesday 1 September 2026

Time: 9.30am to 3.30pm

Date:

Monday 14 & Tuesday 15 September 2026

Time: 9.30am to 3.30pm

What we will do

Implement a full road closure including the junction with the road leading to Ridware Road

Carry out the work in compliance with the Code of Construction Practice

Inform you in advance of any changes to the dates and working times shown

What to expect

Some low-level noise

Fully signposted diversion route

Longer travel times

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Notification



How will this affect you

The equipment we use may generate some low-level noise. We will be switching off engines when not in use and working during the day to minimise disturbance.

We will be installing a full road closure on School Lane including the junction leading to Ridware Road. A diversion route will be fully signposted

The work will take place in two phases

Phase 1

Date: Tuesday 1 September 2026

Time: 9.30am to 3.30pm

Phase 2

Date: Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 September 2026

Time: 9.30am to 3.30pm

Location of full road closure marked in red



Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on **08081 434 434**

Route of signed road diversion highlighted in blue



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 you.

The Residents' Commissioner

The independent Residents' Commissioner oversees and monitors our commitments to you.

The commissioner's reports and our responses can be found at www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner

The Residents' Commissioner makes sure we fulfil the commitments in the HS2 Community Engagement Strategy (<https://bit.ly/3oOA25j>).

The Residents' Commissioner can be contacted on: residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

Construction Commissioner

The independent Construction Commissioner regularly meets our Chief Executive Officer to raise any concerns or emerging trends across HS2.

The Construction Commissioner's role has been developed to monitor the way we manage and respond to construction complaints.

The commissioner mediates on disputes about construction, involving individuals and organisations, that we can't resolve. The commissioner advises members of the public about how to make a complaint about construction.

The Construction Commissioner can be contacted on: complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk

Property and compensation

You can find out about HS2 and properties along the route by visiting:

www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-property

Find out if you can claim compensation at:

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 the HS2 Helpdesk. For more details on our complaints process, please visit: www.hs2.org.uk/in-your-area/contact-us/how-to-complain/

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 Minicom **08081 456 472**

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

Write to:

FREEPOST

HS2 Community Engagement

Website **www.hs2.org.uk**

To keep up to date with what is happening in your local area, visit: **www.HS2inyourarea.co.uk**

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