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3-month construction look ahead



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This forward look covers HS2 associated work in Northamptonshire.

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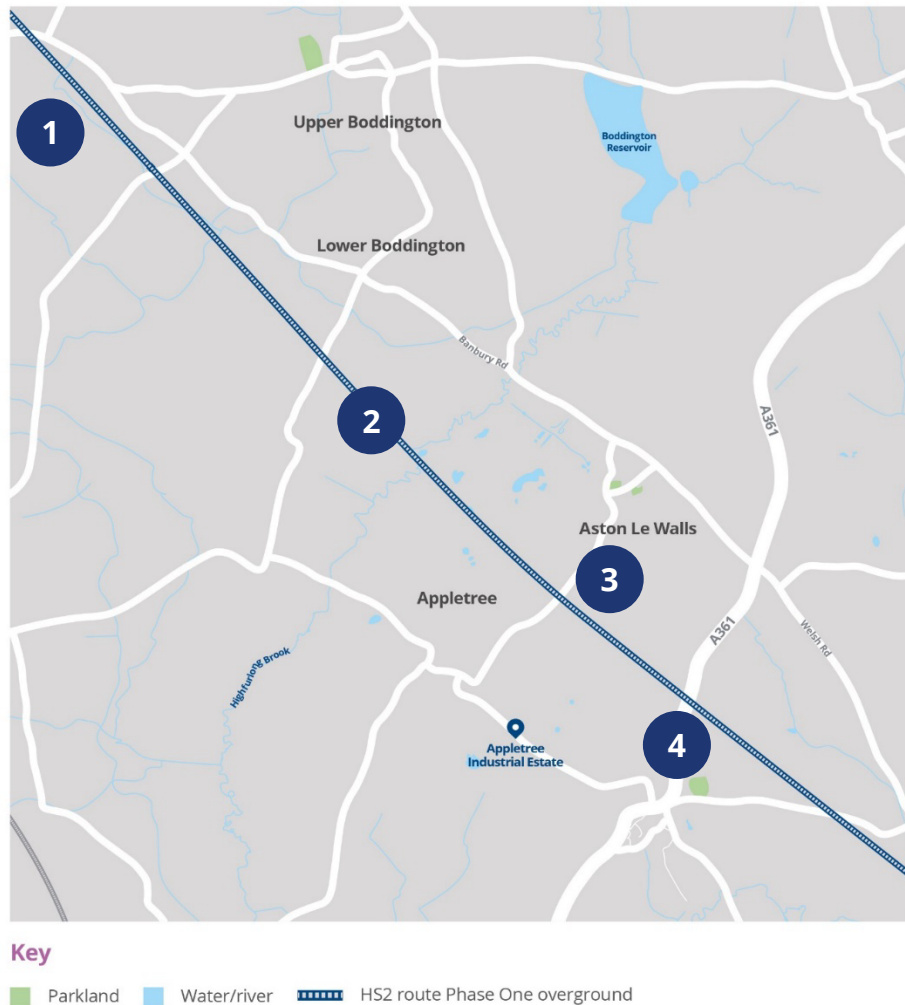
- A forward look of construction activities planned in the next three months.
- Works to be aware of that will take place in the next 12 months but may not yet have been confirmed.

The dates and information included in this look ahead are subject to change as our programme develops. For the latest information on our works, please visit the [HS2 in Northamptonshire](#) website or our [In Your Area map](#).

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**

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Map 1 – Upper Boddington to Chipping Warden

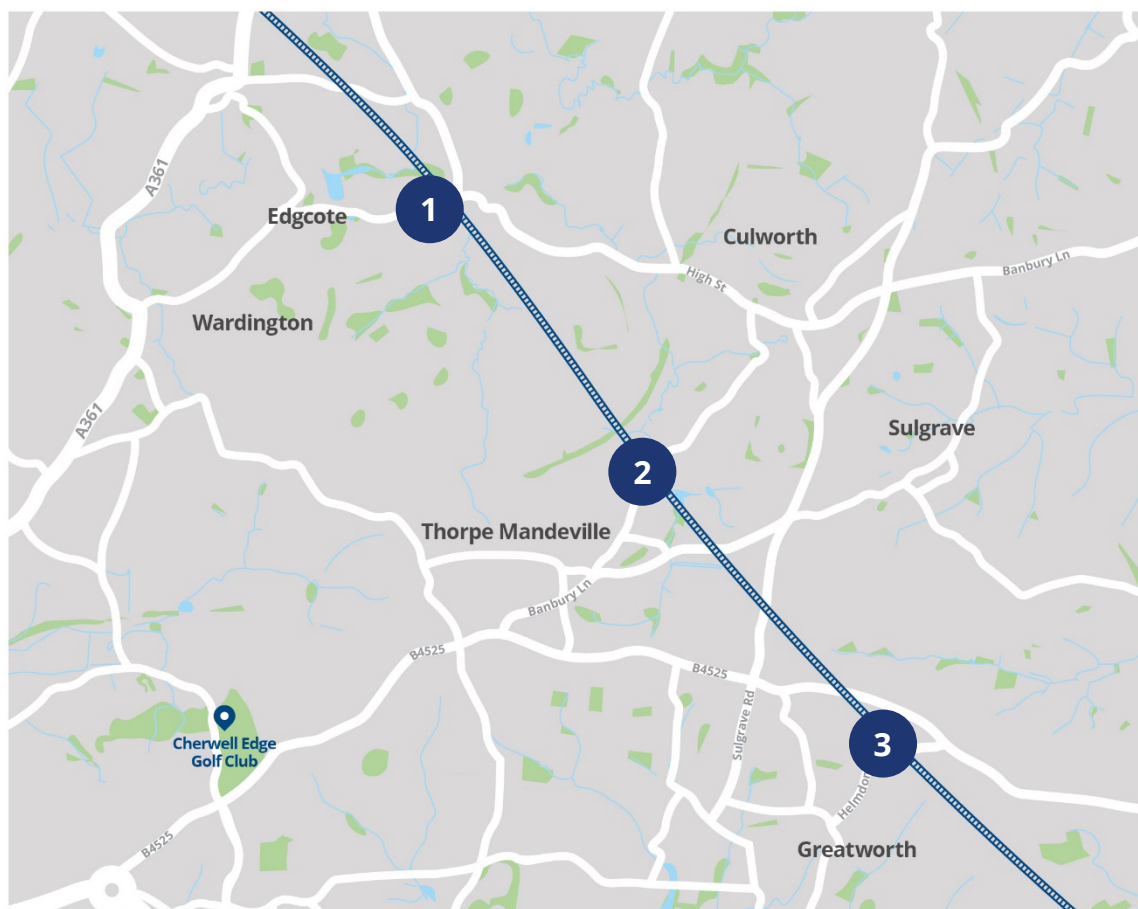


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Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Warwickshire border	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Earthworks for cuttings and embankments near Stoneton Lane green bridge; • Deck construction for Stoneton Lane green bridge;

	Ongoing to summer 2027	• Ongoing closure of Stoneton Lane, Priors Hardwick to construct the Stoneton Lane green bridge, lasting 24 months.
	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Ongoing construction activities for Banbury Road bridge.
	Ongoing to 2027	• Continued operation of a temporary link road between Banbury Road and Wormleighton Road near Boddington; and
	September 2026 onwards	• Operation of delivery route from Banbury to site entrance off Wormleighton Road.
Location 2 Lower Boddington	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Continuation of main earthworks activities for the Lower Boddington cutting, including re-soiling, seeding and planting. • Start of permanent fencing works
Location 3 Aston Le Walls	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Waterproofing and backfilling sections of the Chipping Warden green tunnel structure; and • Construction of the north portal buildings; and • Construction for the realigned Appletree Lane over the green tunnel.
Location 4 Chipping Warden	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Backfilling works to the green tunnel following completion of the precast tunnel units. • Ongoing deliveries, including abnormal load deliveries along sections of the A361. • Extended hours of working including overnight construction activity within the tunnel excavation. • Permanent closure of Culworth Road, Chipping Warden. Commencement of the utility, drainage and excavation activities in this area.

Map 2 – Edgcote to Greatworth



Key

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

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Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Edgcote area	Ongoing throughout 2026	- Edgcote viaduct deck construction, including parapet installation; and - Operation of a plant crossing on the recently opened section of Wardington Road.
Location 2 Culworth and Thorpe Mandeville	Ongoing throughout 2026	Ongoing construction of the Lower Thorpe viaduct deck structure. Road closures to Banbury Lane will be required; and

	Ongoing to 2027	• Excavation of the Greatworth green tunnel in the section near Thorpe Mandeville, requiring the closure of Banbury Road, with the Greatworth temporary road providing the diversion route.
Location 3 Sulgrave Road and Welsh Lane	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Continued construction of the Greatworth green tunnel including excavation, installation, waterproofing and backfilling • Ongoing delivery of precast segments to our compound, requiring occasional traffic management on the B4525; • Extended hours of working including overnight works within the tunnel excavation; • Stockpiling of earth in the construction area near the Greatworth green tunnel; • Ongoing closure of Sulgrave Road to build the Greatworth green tunnel, with the Greatworth temporary road providing the diversion route; • Excavation and installation of tunnel segments in the area near Helmdon Road; and • Ongoing closure of Helmdon Road for the construction of the Greatworth green tunnel and tunnel portal works.

Map 3 – Greatworth to Brackley



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 ■ Water/river
 ▬ HS2 route Phase One overground

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Location of works	Proposed duration	Description of works
Location 1 Halse Copse	Ongoing throughout 2026	Continued construction works to accommodation overbridges, landscape bund formation and excavation of the railway cutting;
	Ongoing throughout 2026	Works on track drainage and permanent fencing continue;

		• AN37 overbridge; deck drainage, earthworks backfilling the approaches and waterproofing; • AN22 overbridge construction continues, including backfilling highway approach; and • Drainage works ongoing and earthwork embankment construction continues.
Location 2 Radstone	Ongoing throughout 2026 September 2026 onwards	• Earthworks activities including the creation of landscape bunds and installing track drainage. • Footpath AX15 green overbridge structural backfilling and final finishing works are progressing on this footpath bridge. • AX16 overbridge parapet installation is underway, along with structural backfilling and finishing works. • Noise barriers are starting by installing the barrier foundations (piling) and permanent fencing installations will be underway.
Location 3 A43	Ongoing throughout 2026	• Work continues to remove the old temporary road diversion and sheet piles, preparing the area for earthwork excavation beneath the bridge. • Utility diversions and drainage work in the roadside verges are being finalised. Please note that some of these tasks may require 24-hour working and overnight traffic management to minimise daytime disruption.
Location 4 A422	Ongoing to Autumn 2026	• Once the new overbridge opens to traffic on the realigned route, works will continue to complete final utility connections, install permanent fencing, and carry out landscape planting throughout. • Removal of the temporary road and bridge will commence. • Earthworks including excavation work continues, including the installation of track drainage and topsoil on the railway cutting.

		Landscaping activities, such as hydroseeding, are also ongoing to support environmental restoration.
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Respecting People, Respecting Places

Having listened to feedback from communities and stakeholders, we have refreshed our Community Engagement Strategy. 'Respecting People, Respecting Places' highlights how we will always try to do the right thing and reduce disruption to the lives of local people as much as we can during the planning and building of the railway.

We will engage with you by:

- **Informing:** Keeping you updated on issues that affect your area
- **Involving:** Involving you in opportunities as we plan and build HS2
- **Responding:** Listening to you and helping with your questions and concerns

Our commitments to you

Informing

- We will tell you about HS2 works in your area.
- We have local community websites and newsletters with regular information and updates about our work in your area.
- We have local community teams who know your area. They will hold local events and run projects to keep you informed.

Involving

- We will involve you in opportunities to benefit and learn as we build HS2 including jobs, skills, education, employment and funding.
- We will ask you about the design of specific parts of the railway.

Responding

- Our dedicated HS2 Helpdesk is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year, to help with any questions or concerns you have about HS2 or our work.
- If things go wrong, we have a complaints process and a dedicated complaints team.
- An independent Construction Commissioner monitors how we manage and deal with complaints.

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

The commissioner can be contacted on:
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

Find out if you're eligible for 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 our HS2 Helpdesk team.

For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website:
www.hs2.org.uk/contact-us/how-to-complain

Contact us

Our HS2 Helpdesk team are available all day, every day. You can contact them by:

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@ Email hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

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HS2 Community Engagement

Website www.hs2.org.uk

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www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk

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