

# Railway improvement work in your area

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Dear Neighbour,

## Noisy work in your area

### What's happening?

I want to update you on what is happening on Old Oak Common Lane for the next few months as part of our ongoing work to support the construction of HS2

Our works will continue throughout October, November and December, including some night-time and weekend working. We will also be carrying out works over the Christmas period, between 24 and 31 December, when some activities will take place 24 hours a day. Further details of the locations, dates and times of these works are provided in the table.

### Work to connect the Great Western Main Line with a new Old Oak Common station

Network Rail is working in partnership with HS2 to prepare the existing railway for the construction of HS2. This involves realigning sections of track, overhead wires, signalling and other vital rail systems to connect the Great Western Main Line railway to a new station being built by HS2 at Old Oak Common. Our work to prepare and move parts of the railway for HS2 will continue over several years.

### When and where are we working?

On the other side of this letter is a map along with the updated dates and times of what we are doing. The nature of our work means we will regularly move up and down the railway which means we will not be working next to individual properties constantly. Because of the nature of the work, we may need to use floodlights during our nighttime working.

### Electrification: What do we mean by piling, masts and overhead wires?

Our website has really good information on what we do and what it involves, Scan the QR code or visit the site via <https://bit.ly/rail-electrification>



We're sorry if our work disturbs you. It may be noisy at times, and we may occasionally use bright light, but we will make every effort to keep disruption to a minimum.

If you have any queries about the work, please telephone our 24-hour national helpline on 03457 11 41 41 or email [NRHS2@networkrail.co.uk](mailto:NRHS2@networkrail.co.uk). Please use the reference at the start of this letter.

If you have any questions about the HS2 project or HS2 construction work, please contact the HS2 helpdesk on 08081 434 434 or email [HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

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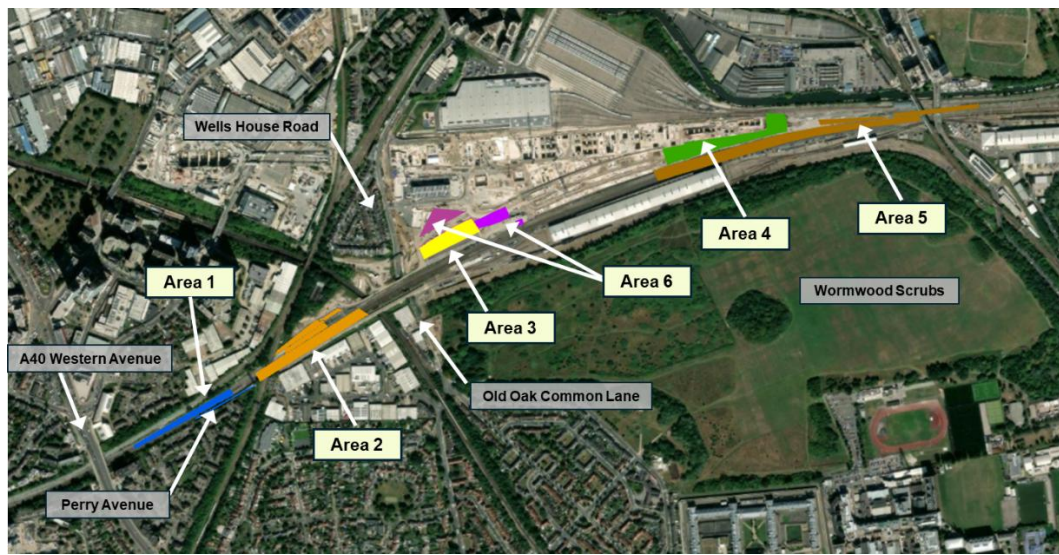
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| October-December 2026 Where & when                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| What's happening                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Who is working                       | Dates & times of our work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <p><b>Site preparation and electrical works.</b><br/>Preparing and installing railway power and signalling equipment.</p> <p><b>Installation and modification of overhead line equipment.</b><br/>Installing and adjusting overhead electrification equipment, including structures, tensioning equipment and new wiring used to supply power to trains.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/>Oct: 24-25 and 31<br/>Nov: 01-02, 07-08, 14-15, 21-22 and 28-29<br/>Dec: 05-06 and 12-13</p> <p><b>Sunday - Monday 2200-0600</b><br/>Nov: 01-02 and 29-30<br/>Dec: 06-07 and 13-14</p> <p><b>Xmas works – 24h a day</b><br/>Dec: 24-31</p>                                                                                                                                  |
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| <p><b>Installation and adjustment of new track.</b><br/>Removing and preparing sections of the existing railway and installing new track, rails and associated materials, followed by final alignment and finishing works.</p> <p><b>Installation and modification of overhead line equipment.</b><br/>Upgrading overhead electrification equipment, including tensioning equipment and electrical protection equipment.</p> <p><b>Installation of railway infrastructure.</b><br/>Installing bases and associated infrastructure to support the new railway equipment.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/>Nov: 02-06<br/>Dec: 14-18</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/>Nov: 30<br/>Dec: 01-04, 14-18 and 21-25</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/>Oct: 17-18, 31<br/>Nov: 01-02, 21-22 and 28-30<br/>Dec: 12-14 and 19-20</p> <p><b>All weekend works</b><br/>Oct 31 – Nov 02</p>                                                                                     |
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| <p><b>Completion and adjustment works to overhead line equipment.</b><br/>Final adjustments and finishing works to the overhead electrification system.</p> <p><b>Installation of cable routes.</b><br/>Installing troughing for signalling, telecommunications and power cables required for the railway.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/>Dec: 14-18 and 21-25</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/>Nov: 21-22 and 28-30</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <p><b>Installation of overhead line equipment.</b><br/>Installing piles and steel structures to support the overhead electrification system, including associated material deliveries.</p> <p><b>Installation of drainage and under-track infrastructure.</b><br/>Installing drainage, under-track crossings and associated monitoring equipment and ballast.</p> <p><b>Installation of track and railway materials.</b><br/>Installing ballast and receiving track materials, including points and crossings. Some deliveries will take place at night.</p> <p><b>Delivery and collection of railway materials.</b><br/>Delivering and collecting materials used by the railway. Some deliveries may take place during night-time possessions to minimise disruption to train services. This may include occasional vehicle warning sounds.</p> | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/>Oct: 12-16, 19-23 and 26-30<br/>Nov: 09-13, 16-20, 23-27 and 30<br/>Dec: 01-04 and 07-11</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 2200-0500</b><br/>Nov: 02-06, 23-27 and 30<br/>Dec: 01-04 and 07-11</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/>Nov: 14-15 and 21-22<br/>Dec: 12-14</p> <p><b>Night-time deliveries</b><br/>23-27 &amp; 30 Nov &amp; 01-04 Dec between 22:00 and 02:00</p> |

## October-December 2026 Where & when

| What's happening                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Who is working                       | Dates & times of our work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <p><b>Installation of overhead line equipment including piling and structures.</b><br/>Installing piles and building overhead electrification support structures used to supply power to trains.</p> <p><b>Completion and adjustment works to overhead line equipment.</b><br/>Undertaking follow-up and finishing works to the overhead electrification system.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/><b>Nov:</b> 23-27<br/><b>Dec:</b> 07-11</p> <p><b>Saturday - Sunday 2200-0900</b><br/><b>Oct:</b> 03-04, 31<br/><b>Nov:</b> 01-02, 07-08, 21-22 and 28-30<br/><b>Dec:</b> 05-07</p> <p><b>Xmas works – 24h a day</b><br/><b>Dec:</b> 24-31</p> |
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| <p><b>Railway access compound.</b><br/>Operation of our small railway access compound and lay-down area, including deliveries/collections.</p> <p><b>Installation of drainage and under-track infrastructure.</b><br/>Installing an under-track crossing and associated railway infrastructure.</p> <p><b>Installation of overhead line equipment including piling and steel structures.</b><br/>Installing piles and steel structures, together with follow-up works to the overhead electrification system.</p> <p><b>Preparation for new track installation.</b><br/>Excavating and preparing the railway formation to support future track works.</p> | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p>May be accessed at any time, but mostly active during weekday daytime and alternate Saturday nights.</p> <p><b>Monday- Friday 0800-1800</b><br/><b>Oct:</b> 12-16, 19-23 and 26-30<br/><b>Nov:</b> 09-13<br/><b>Dec:</b> 07-11, 14-18</p>                                          |
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| <p><b>Removal of existing foundations.</b><br/>Breaking out and removing foundations that are no longer required as part of the railway works.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Network Rail in partnership with HS2 | <p><b>Xmas works – 24h a day</b><br/><b>Dec:</b> 24-31</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |



*Figure 1: Map of work areas (Central)*



*Figure 2: Map of works at OOC area (Xmas works)*