EKFB Working in partnership with HS2

Update 19 November: Residents access, Culworth Road, Chipping Warden

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Location

Updated: 19 November 2026

The Barns, Culworth Road, Chipping Warden

Duration

A section of Culworth Road has been closed from Monday 13 July 2026. Access arrangements to The Barns will vary as work progresses.

What we are doing

Construction activities for the HS2 railway including vegetation clearance, utility works, excavation, drainage and road works.

What to expect

- Construction activity involving heavy plant and machinery near Culworth Road.
- Construction related noise, vibration and dust which will be managed to minimise community impact.
- Change to highway arrangement with the formation of a new cul-de-sac road layout.
- The road will not reopen to the public once we have completed our works on the HS2 railway project.

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:

Freephone **08081 434 434**

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Updated access arrangement for residents of The Barns

Along Culworth Road we are relocating several utility services. As works progress, it will be necessary to change the direction of access to The Barns, to enable construction activities to continue safely while maintaining access.

The table below shows the scheduled utility works and the access arrangements. The schedule may change depending upon the availability of the utility providers, who must complete these works. We will provide further updates as work progresses.

Date from	Date to	Access via
12noon, Sunday 13 September	12noon, Saturday 26 September	Welsh Road
12noon, Saturday 26 September	12noon, Sunday 11 October	Chipping Warden village
12 October	27 October	Welsh Road
27 October	3 December	Chipping Warden village
3 December (including Blackgrounds Farm)	7 December	Welsh Road
7 December	ongoing	Welsh Road

These dates are subject to change, depending on the works schedule.
Table updated 19 November 2026.

On 25, 26 and 27 November, Anglian Water will be making new connections to the properties at The Barns, which will require them to work in the road outside the properties. Access to driveways will be maintained with ramps over the excavation for pipework as required. This work is being completed by Anglian Water and if they expect any disruption to the water service, they will contact residents directly.

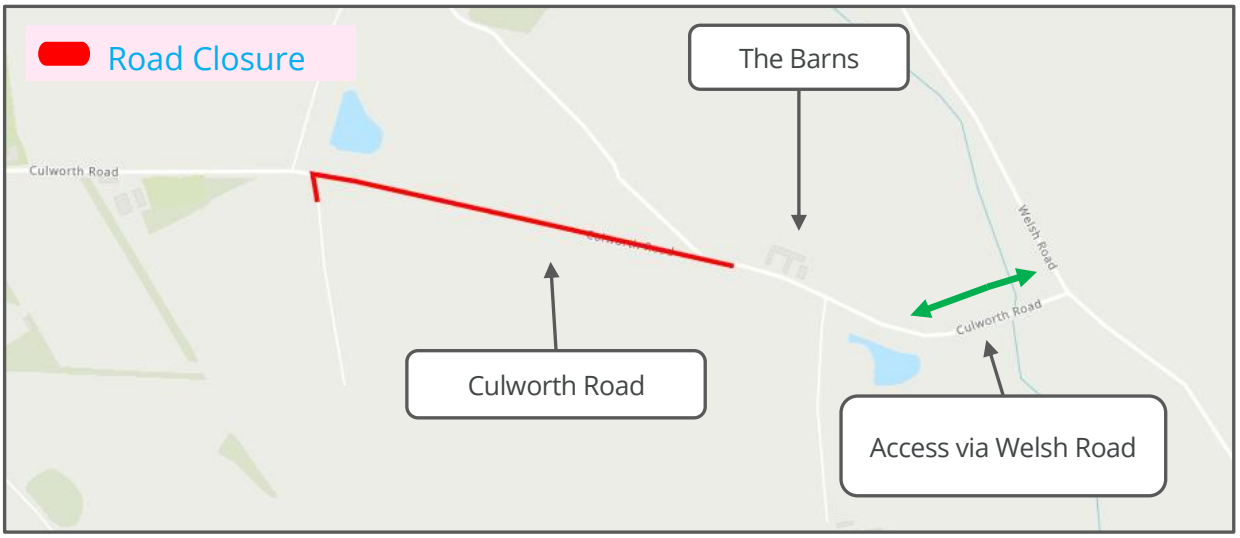
Between 3 December and 7 December, access will revert to Welsh Road for all properties including Blackground Farm. From 7 December, the road closure will move to allow access for Blackgrounds Farm via Chipping Warden village as shown in Map 1 on the next page.

The utility works are expected to be completed by the end of 2026. Further construction activities will then continue with removal of a section of the road and earthworks excavations for the railway. From this time, access to The Barns will be from Welsh Road permanently.

Please see the two maps on the next page for a visual representation of the access arrangements.

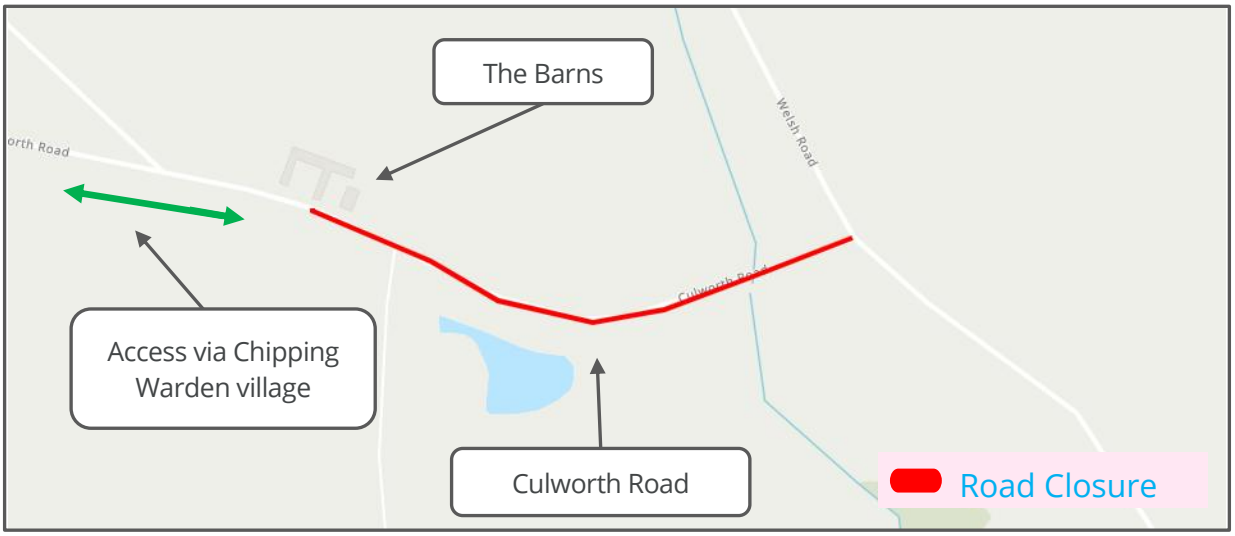
Map 1. Access arrangements from Welsh Road

The route to The Barns from Welsh Road is shown below.



Map 2. Access arrangements via Chipping Warden village

The route to The Barns from Chipping Warden village is shown below.



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