



Notice of archeology works

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. As part of our continued programme of archaeology in your area we have undertaken geophysical surveys and trial trenching to identify areas of possible archaeological interest. The next steps of our investigations will involve excavating a larger series of areas to examine archaeological remains and record any finds.

When will these works take place?

These works are planned to start late March 2020 and will be completed by summer 2020.

The site for the archaeology works is located between Bacombe Lane and Ellesborough Road. Access to the site will be from Bacombe Lane.

What will we be doing?

We will begin our investigations in the area shown on the map in this notification. These works will enable a greater understanding of archaeology in the area. This will require the excavation of three areas and once the work is completed, the areas will be reinstated.

The investigations will be undertaken by teams of archaeologists using mechanical excavators and hand tools. There will be archaeologists, plant operators and management team on site. In addition, a small number of supervision staff will be visiting the site to ensure the work is progressing to plan and is being done safely.

During our archaeological investigations there will be opportunities for communities to find out about our work through information events, specific talks or visits from our specialist archaeologists. These will be publicised through the local HS2 website on www.hs2inbucksandbox.co.uk

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

The works are planned to start late March 2020 until summer 2020

Normal working hours:

Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm and Saturday 8am - 1pm

We may also be on site for one hour's quiet start up and shutdown outside of these times

What to expect

Some additional traffic on local roads

Noise from the equipment used for the works

Site manned with 24 hour security and temporary low level lighting

Traffic management near our site entrance

What we will do

Manage any impacts, such as traffic and noise with the aim of reducing them

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How may this affect you?

We will be working hard to ensure any impacts on residents are kept to a minimum during these and all our future works. You may notice a little extra traffic on the road immediately around the sites with workers moving to and from the site, and occasional delivery vehicles.

In order to access the site safely we need to create a turning circle and temporary field trackway to the south of Bacombe Lane using the existing field access. This allows us to access the site beneath the overhead power lines.

To do this safely we will require a short-term traffic light control. This is expected to be in place for a one week during site set up and a further week once our archaeology is finished in the summer. During the intervening period the lights will be removed.

There may be some noise from the machinery. All machinery will be restricted to running between the hours of 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm on a Saturday.

For further updates about these works and HS2 in general, please visit www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk where you can sign up to news alerts.

Public right of way diversion

Ahead of the works we have diverted the public right of way between Bacombe Lane and Ellesborough Road. This diversion route is shown in the below plan and maintains farmer access to adjacent land.



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Notice of archaeological trial trench works

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Location of archaeological mitigation works shown in red



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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.

Residents' Charter and Commissioner

The Residents' Charter is our promise to communicate as clearly as we possibly can with people who live along or near the HS2 route. www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-residents-charter

We also have an independent Residents' Commissioner whose job is to make sure we keep to the promises we make in the Charter and to keep it under constant review. Find reports at: www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner

You can contact the Commissioner at: residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk

Construction Commissioner

The Construction Commissioner's role is to mediate and monitor the way in which HS2 Ltd manages and responds to construction complaints. You can contact the Construction Commissioner by emailing: complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk

Property and compensation

You can find out all about HS2 and properties along the line of 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/how-to-complain

Contact Us

Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

 Freephone **08081 434 434**

 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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