

## Notice of ground investigations, archaeological and fencing works in the Little Missenden A413 area

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. We have already carried out geophysical surveys to identify areas of possible archaeological interest and the next step is archaeological investigation work. The site is located off the A413 as shown in red on the map overleaf. This is where the vent shaft will be located. We are also undertaking ground investigations (GI) in this area, including pump tests. We expect to start our works in early March 2020 and continue until June 2020. This work is subject to consents and approvals by all relevant local authorities.

You may have already received a notification about these works, however, we have moved the start date so that they do not coincide with other works in the area.

### What will we be doing?

We will begin archaeological investigations in the area shown on the map overleaf. We will dig 22 shallow trenches to further understand the archaeology of the area. Once the work is complete, the trenches will be backfilled. The digging and investigations are carried out by small teams with supervision staff visiting the site to ensure works are progressing safely. These works will take place Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm, with one hour start up and shut down either side of these times. Further information on our ground investigations and pump test working hours is included within this notification.

### How may this affect you?

Traffic management will be in place during these works, with a single lane closure on the A413, Amersham bound only, (see map overleaf) and a 40 mile per hour speed restriction. We expect this to be in place from 3 March 2020. All traffic management will be clearly signposted. There will be a visible increase in site vehicles during the set up and closing of the works. There may be occasional weekend working subject to local authority consent.

**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](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

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### Duration of works

The works will start early March 2020 and be completed by summer 2020

Hours of work –  
Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm

Saturday 8am – 6pm

Our contractor will be on site for start-up and shut down for one hour either side of these times

### What to expect

Some additional traffic on local roads. Some noise from equipment used for these works. Site storage and welfare vehicles. Site manned with 24 hour security and temporary flood lighting

### What we will do

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

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## Ground investigation and Pump tests

At the same time as our archaeological works, Align will be drilling small holes into the ground, known as boreholes, to carry out soil sampling as well as pumping tests. These investigations will provide information on the movement and distribution of groundwater at the site.

Any water extracted during groundwater investigations (pump tests) will be returned to the aquifer on the eastern side of the worksite.

## Area of our works



Area in red – archaeological and ground investigation works

Purple points – demarcate each end of the single lane closure on A413 dual carriage way, Amersham bound lane

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

# What else is happening in your area?

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## Contact our new HS2 Helpdesk team

Our new Helpdesk team is based in our Head Office in Birmingham. This is so that we can provide you with the best service possible. Our team is here to listen and respond to your enquiry, complaint or feedback to help us be a good neighbour.

You can contact our Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

Freephone: **08081 434 434**

Minicom: **08081 456 472**

Email: [hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

## Keep up-to-date with your local community website

To find out more about what's happening in your area and receive regular email updates, you can sign up to our local community websites at: [www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk](http://www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk).

## About our Community and Business Funds

We are offering two funds that are available to local communities and businesses between the West Midlands and London, to help with the disruption caused by our construction work. These are the Community and Environment Fund (CEF) and the Business and Local Economy Fund (BLEF).

The CEF is designed to give communities the opportunity to share in the benefits of HS2. It is an allocated fund that communities are able to apply for, to help to support local projects that aim to improve their local area.

The BLEF is designed to support local economies that may be disrupted by the construction of HS2. BLEF grants are for local business support organisations and local authorities to help maintain business activity in local communities.

For more information about each of these funds, including how to apply, please visit: <https://www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds>



# 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](http://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](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

You can contact the Commissioner at:  
[residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](http://www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain)

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Write to:

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