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Dear Neighbour,

Area reference: LEC1 - 0m 00yds to 2m 0029yds

Work between Euston Station and Primrose Hill tunnels – 28 June to 30 August 2020 – All information subject to Covid-19 regulations and guidelines.

#### What are we doing?

Over the coming months, Network Rail and their contractors will continue to prepare the way for building Britain's new High Speed 2 (HS2) railway.

I am writing to provide an update below on HS2 enabling work as well as some Network Rail work in your area, with appendix A and appendix B at the end of this letter showing indicative work descriptions, areas, and hours of work. The Network Rail work shown below is additional to normal maintenance work that takes place on the operational railway. This is being carried at this time to help improve the resilience of the railway for essential services

#### Covid-19 update

Please note that we are continuing to review planned work to ensure that we can follow Public Health England's safety guidelines and we are taking all necessary precautions to keep rail colleagues safe. As work is still subject to current government and industry safety guidance, this situation inevitably means that it is difficult to give precise dates and times of all the work detailed. There may be changes to the work schedule, delays, workforce and equipment availability and cancellations, postponement and short notice re-scheduling of work at any time.

Should we need to advise you of any work changing at short notice, further updated information will be provided via the **HS2 in Camden Commonplace** website. We will also endeavour to update Commonplace to remind residents of work that we think is going to be particularly disruptive. You can sign up to receive news alerts at: www.HS2inCamden.co.uk.

#### HS2 enabling work in your area will include:

#### Overhead line removal and replacement work

Work in Areas A to H will include the removal of overhead line equipment at Platform 17/18 within the station building and replacement and deconstruction work in the Camden Cutting



and Sidings. We will also continue overhead line equipment (OLE) removal in areas F and G and closer to Euston Station (area H). Please see Appendix A for more details.

#### Mornington Terrace Network Rail pedestrian access

Minor follow up work will be carried out at the Mornington Terrace access point in area C, adjacent to the Edinboro' Castle pub. This will include work to the roof which may need the use of access platforms trackside and on the pavement outside the building for a short time.

#### Track access point for vehicles at Granby Terrace

The main work to construct the track access point next to Granby Terrace Bridge in area F is now expected to start in 2021. Some pedestrian and traffic management and diversions may be needed during the construction period in 2021.

#### Camden Carriage Sidings extension follow up work

Work is ongoing at Camden Carriage Sidings (Area B) to finish off work to two of the sidings. This will be daytime working, using hand tools and concrete breakers. This work is planned to be finished by the end of July. Subject to delay, re-scheduling and reprogramming.

#### Electrical substation construction at Barnby Street

The substation is now live, but work is ongoing at Barnby Street. There may be some noise generated from general building work for the internal and external fit out and finishing activities, such as cutting steel and wood using power tools. Deliveries of materials and collections of waste from the site will continue.

#### Electrical installation at the Primrose Hill tunnels to Camden Substation

The final stage of clearance for the high voltage electrical installation has started between Primrose Hill and Camden substation, with the installation of new troughs for electric cables and vegetation clearance taking place. Due to the proximity to the line, some work will need to take place during night time possessions with materials being taken to and from site by track mounted machines to allow for the installation of new cabling and associated cable troughs.

#### <u>Euston Station – Platforms 16 – 18 modifications</u>

Work to modify the west side of Euston station in preparation for the merger with the adjacent HS2 worksite is progressing. This work includes, but is not limited to, the resurfacing and installation of the new services, the demolition of lineside structures and the installation of a new emergency staircase on platform 16. Modifications to support structures are taking place to enable the construction of a new boundary wall. These enabling works are the continuation of an anticipated two-year programme that will eventually see the removal of platforms 17 and 18 including all structures above. We will also continue demolishing some walls and removing ventilation and other equipment within Euston Station.

#### Network Rail essential renewals work in your area will include:

#### Signalling equipment replacement

Signals are being replaced in areas D-H. This work is to improve the resilience of the signals into and out of the station. The work will be completed using mobile elevated



working platforms (MEWPs) and hand tools.

#### <u>Track recoveries</u>, repairs, stressing and replacement.

Rail cutting, welding & stressing, renewal and maintenance of points and track will take place throughout the Camden Cutting and within Euston Station to maintain the resilience of the operational railway. Redundant equipment, rail and sleepers recovered in areas A-E will be removed from site by engineering trains with the assistance of on track machines

#### Why do we need to undertake the work?

We are carrying out this work to improve the existing operational railway and to prepare for HS2 to be constructed. We are required to work at times that cause the least disruption to train services. For safety reasons much of this work must also take place when trains are not running. This often means carrying out work during weekday night-time possessions between 9pm and 6:45am, and at weekends from 6pm on Saturday to 6:45am on the following Monday.

To minimise disruption, we have combined some of the work with usual railway maintenance work at Euston. Due to operational needs or incidents beyond our control, work may be rescheduled or carried out in a different area at short notice.

Non-scheduled maintenance and emergency work also sometimes needs to take place when trains are not running.

#### How will this affect me, and will this work be noisy?

Network Rail works closely with Camden Council to minimise the impact of this work. All enabling work carried out by Network Rail relating to the HS2 project have been agreed with HS2 Ltd. and Camden Council and will comply with Section 61 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974, which requires noise levels to be controlled to as low a level as practically possible. Noise monitoring continues throughout the area to ensure that noise levels are kept within agreed limits. Our staff are briefed to take care that, where possible and it is safe to do so, this does not cause unnecessary light intrusion into lineside residential properties.

The equipment we use means some disturbance is unavoidable, but we will make every effort to minimise this. Unnecessary noise will be reduced where possible using noise barriers, silenced generators and continuous noise monitoring. However, when work trains and track mounted vehicles are moving within the work area, it is a safety requirement to sound an alarm to alert the staff on site. Installation of temporary lighting is also needed to give adequate and safe lighting levels for staff working at night and during overcast weather conditions.

Engineering trains will need to deliver equipment, materials and ballast and remove redundant materials. They will also provide facilities and equipment to compact and level the ballast.

All our staff and contractors are also regularly briefed on their obligation to work responsibly in the local community. However, should you have any complaints, observations or queries regarding the work taking place, it would greatly assist us to be provided with any specific company identification which may be visible on workwear or vehicles. This will help us with conducting investigations.



#### Whom should I contact if I have further gueries?

We will do all we can to ensure our work does not disrupt residents and businesses. However, should you have any complaints, observations or queries regarding the work taking place, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please telephone our 24-Hour National Helpline on **03457 11 41 41**, quoting the area reference shown at the start of this letter. This will make it easier for the helpline to identify the location of the works and, where possible, provide a timelier response.

You can also email <a href="MRHS2@networkrail.co.uk">NRHS2@networkrail.co.uk</a> – Please note that this email account is not monitored 24hrs a day but will be picked up by our community engagement team during normal office hours. Please contact our National Helpline regarding queries during weekends or out-of-office hours.

Should we need to advise you of any work changing at short notice, further detailed and updated information will be provided via the **HS2 in Camden Commonplace** website. You can sign up to receive news alerts at: www.HS2inCamden.co.uk

If you have any questions about the HS2 construction work, or any queries about the HS2 project, please contact the **HS2 helpdesk**, which is available 24 hours a day, on **08081 434 434** or email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**.

I hope this information is useful and would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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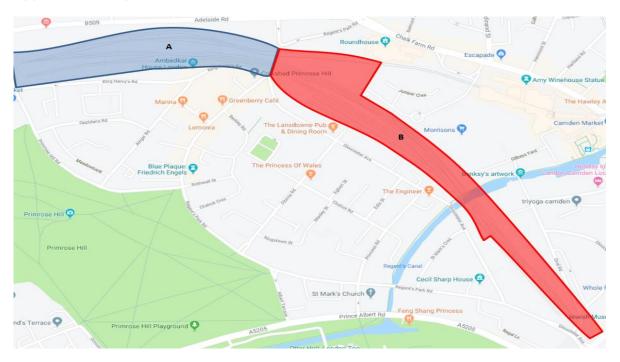
**Further Viewing List** 

**CDM 2015 Regulations:** Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015; **F 10 Notifications:** Notification of Construction Project further to the CDM 2015 Regulations;

Section 61 notice: Control of Pollution Act 1974 section 61 Notice.



# **Appendix A: Maps of work locations**







## Appendix B - Details of Network Rail & HS2- enabling work areas A to H

(All dates & times are subject to change at short notice)

Dates	Working hours	Zone(s) (as marked on appendix A)	Intended work
Weekend works  28 June to 30  August	<b>Weekends</b> 11:30pm Sat – 6:45am Mon	B,C,D, E, F, G & H	Rail cutting welding & stressing, renewal and maintenance of points and track throughout the Camden Cutting and within Euston Station. Work to remove redundant sidings in Areas C,D & E. Work on under track cable crossings. Engineering trains, with a tamping machine to compact ballast used during rail removal and replacement works between Euston Station and the Primrose Hill Tunnels. All train movement dates are subject to change at short notice. Removal/installation of lineside equipment, redundant signalling, electrical equipment and cables. This is not HS2 related work and is to improve resilience and performance of the operational railway. Concrete mixing and installation. Construction of new concrete driver's walkways, cable installation, removal of equipment, materials, scrap and spoil from the Up Sidings (Area. C). Drainage, excavations and installation. Minor work to install walkways in Camden Carriage Sidings. Digging trial holes for equipment foundations. Installation of concrete foundations, piling and installation of new overhead line equipment (OLE) steelwork. Continued preparation works & spoil removal for the construction of the new access point at Granby Terrace in Area F. Ballast delivery, removal and replacement. Demolition within Euston Station, platforms 16 to 18. Canopy removal and installation of emergency staircase on platform 16.
Weekday works  28 June to 30  August	Weekdays 8am – 6pm (Mon to Fri) & 9pm –7am (Mon to Fri)	B,C,D,E,F,G & H	Track and maintenance work as described above. Removal/installation of lineside equipment, redundant signalling, electrical equipment and cables. Work to remove redundant sidings in Areas C, D & E. This is not HS2 related work and is to improve resilience and performance of the operational railway. Minor work will continue in Camden Carriage Sidings to install walkways. Drainage works. Preparation for work on trackside equipment, surveys and overhead line equipment works. Contingency for removal of scrap and excavated materials. Cable and removal installation throughout Camden Cutting.



## "Up Sidings" - Close to Mornington Terrace access point - Area C

Dates	Working hours	Zone(s) (as marked on Appendix A)	Intended work
28 June to 3 August	Weekdays 8am – 6pm (Mon – Fri) & 9pm – 7am (Mon to Fri)  Weekends 8am Sat – 8pm Sun	С	Day works are presently being scheduled to carry out internal communication installation, lighting and snagging. Continued internal and external remedial work to the access point and roof. Removal of redundant equipment, materials, scrap and spoil from the Up Sidings if needed. Lighting installations. Vegetation and graffiti removal as needed. Concrete work to provide a base for the installation of work container at the Granby Terrace bridge end of the Up Sidings. Construction of driver's walkways in Area C Up Sidings. Delivery of a storage unit. For safety reasons, some delivery activities etc. may take place during night time possessions etc. when power is required to be switched off.

## Barnby Street electrical substation work & 11Kv cable installation - Area F & C to H

Dates	Working hours	Zone(s) (as marked on appendix A)	Intended work
Ongoing	Weekdays 8am – 6pm Mon – Fri & Weekends 8am – 5pm Sat	F	Replacement of electrical sub-station at Barnby Street continues fit-out and finishing work inside and outside the substation.
Ongoing	Weekday nights 10pm to 6am and Weekend possessions Sat 8pm – 6am Mon	C,D,E,F,G and within Euston Station (H)	Installation of new 11kV cable route in Camden Cutting through Barnby electrical sub-station and into Euston Station platforms and basement. Including track work, mobile working platforms, scaffold towers, power tools and road/rail vehicles. Some work may need to take place during weekend night possessions.
Weekend works 28 June to 30 August	Weekends 11:30pm Sat – 6:45am Mon	A - H	Contingency for snagging work, unforeseen delays, emergencies, and scheduled and unscheduled maintenance on the operational railway.



## Barnby Street electrical substation work & 11Kv cable installation – Area F & C to H – Cont'd/..

Dates	Working hours	Zone(s) (as marked on appendix A)	Intended work
Ongoing	Weekdays 8am – 6pm Mon – Fri & Weekends 8am – 5pm Sat Weekday nights 10pm to 6am and Weekend possessions Sat 8pm – 6am Mon	B Including & Park St Tunnel Area and C	Replacement of old 11kV network including digging cable troughs and cable pulling from Camden Substation through to the Park St Tunnel. This work will include track work, scaffold towers, power tools and Road/Rail vehicles necessary to deliver materials and install new ground troughs for electric cables. Most work will occur during standard weekday working hours, but some works will need to take place during weekend and night possessions where access is restricted.

# <u>Euston Station – & Areas F, G & H & Eversholt Street – Demolition, utilities protection and diversion and preparatory work within Station</u>

Dates	Working hours	Zone(s) (as marked on appendix A)	Intended Work
28 June 2020 and into 2021	Weekdays 8am – 5pm (Mon – Fri)  Work outside the station: Weekends 8am – 1pm (Sat only)  Work inside the station: Weekends 8am – 5pm (Sat & Sun & during Possessions)	F,G & Within Euston Station ( Area H)	The demolition work will take place along platforms 16/17/18 in Euston station. Work includes: Installation of hoarding & steelwork. Excavation, reinforced concrete works and steel erection to install a new escape staircase. Removal of station roof and canopy. Modifications to ramps, Removal/relocation of services along the platforms. Removal of ventilation ducts. Minor works throughout Platform 17 and drainage and retaining walls. Removal of external façade towards Cardington Street. Demolition to Platform 17-18 and the superstructure above. The construction of a new welfare facility within the station. Installation of new western façade steelwork and cladding along Platform 17. Repairs to the station parcel deck east access ramp, including resurfacing and waterproofing works.