

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

# HS2 Update

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Early works for HS2 are now under way in your area, carried out by LM - a joint venture between Laing O'Rourke and J. Murphy & Sons. This update provides information on LM's work near public rights of way in Warwickshire.



## Public rights of way between Burton Green and Southam

Upcoming HS2 enabling works in areas between Burton Green and Southam in Warwickshire will sometimes result in temporary changes to public rights of way (including footpaths and bridleways) and cycleways.

To help minimise impacts, HS2 contractors will:

- Put diversions in place where required, and where it's possible and safe to do so
- Install and maintain local signs to inform people of temporary closures and diversions
- Issue public notices and news alerts as required for upcoming closures.

Where HS2 contractors are impacting an official public right of way, we work with the relevant local authority to obtain consent or permission for any closures or diversions. Sometimes we impact a 'permissive route' – an unofficial footpath or bridleway – which does not require the same consent process.

This information is intended to provide a general overview of enabling works impacts, and is subject to change. We will endeavour to keep this information updated at the 'HS2 in Warwickshire' website: [www.hs2inwarwicks.co.uk](http://www.hs2inwarwicks.co.uk).

A map of public footpaths, bridleways, restricted byways and byways in Warwickshire is available at the Warwickshire County Council website: [www.warwickshire.gov.uk](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk).

## Burton Green

To ensure the safety of everyone in the area, two parts of the public right of way between Broadwells Wood and the Kenilworth Greenway known as W168 and W168a have been temporarily closed. This is to facilitate the creation of temporary roads for construction traffic (known as 'haul roads'), and the temporary diversion of the Kenilworth Greenway.

Various footpaths on and around the Kenilworth Greenway will sometimes undergo short closures from early 2020 onwards, as we prepare to temporarily divert the Greenway and build a haul road. These include southern sections of W168, and the walkways known as W167 and W169.

We are also planting trees and vegetation, and creating new wildlife habitats, as a part of HS2's 'green corridor' approach – including two green corridor sites in Burton Green. You may see people and equipment crossing the Greenway and other footpaths in this area as we build the green corridor.

## Crackley

The bridleway known as W165x will be temporarily closed, with a diversion in place, at Crackley Wood from late March to Autumn 2020. Before the closure comes into effect, we will be at work on W165x to lay stone and install fences as part of preparing the diversion.

At W164 between Crackley Lane and the A429 Coventry Road/Kenilworth Road – part of National Cycle Route 52 – HS2 contractors will be undertaking enabling works to create a haul road. W164 will remain open at all times, and access will be maintained via temporary diversions.

The cycling path on the A429 will sometimes be impacted by temporary traffic management during enabling works, where we are modifying the road and creating access points for future work.

## Cubbington

The path known as 129d off Mill Lane has been temporarily diverted at the edge of South Cubbington Wood. The diversion will be in place while enabling works take place along 129d for site set-up, archaeology, ground investigations, surveys and creating new wildlife habitats for HS2's green corridor. These activities involve heavy machinery crossing parts of the 129d, requiring a diversion.

The public right of way known as W130 will be temporarily closed, with a diversion in place, from early March 2020. HS2's enabling works contractor will oversee the construction of two diversions for W130 to create a safe walking loop around our worksites.

## Offchurch

National Cycle Route 41 on Long Itchington Road is impacted by closures to ensure safety during the construction of a compound and 'green corridor' site off Long Itchington Road.

## Ridgeway Lane

Ridgeway Lane between the Grand Union Canal and Ufton Hill will be redeveloped to accommodate future main works for HS2. Ridgeway Lane will be closed at times to ensure safety while the track is widened and paved between Winter and Summer 2020.

There will be temporary traffic lights in place at the junction of Ridgeway Lane and Ufton Hill in Ufton to create a safe space for building a wider, clearer access point into Ridgeway Lane. These lights will come onto Ufton Hill in mid-March 2020 for around two weeks, and may be needed again in Spring 2020.



*A new 'green corridor' wildlife habitat at Finham Brook*

**For more information on HS2 in your area, contact the HS2 Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:**

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**You can also sign up to receive news alerts about work in your area at the 'HS2 in Warwickshire' website: [www.hs2inwarwicks.co.uk](http://www.hs2inwarwicks.co.uk)**

# 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

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