



Notice of work – Gore Hill roundabout, Amersham

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. We are continually reviewing the works on our construction sites in line with Government and Public Health England (PHE) advice on dealing with COVID-19. The Government's current strategy makes it clear that construction activity can continue as long as it complies with this guidance. Please be assured that only sites that can operate within the guidelines are operational. All sites will remain under constant review. We have postponed all face-to-face engagement events and meetings and have put in place a number of channels to communicate with communities, such as letters and phone calls, as well as updates and alerts from each of the local community websites. You can sign up for regular updates in your local area at www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk

Why are the works taking place now?

As part of a series of junction improvements across Buckinghamshire we are making improvements to the roundabout junction of the A355 and A413 known as the Gore Hill roundabout. These works are being undertaken as the A355 and A413 forms one of the construction lorry routes for the HS2 programme of works. We have previously updated you on the survey work undertaken at this junction. This notice is to provide details for the construction phase of works.

What does the work involve?

We will be widening the existing road approaches and carrying out associated road improvement works to the Gore Hill roundabout – A355 and A413 - as detailed overleaf.

To minimise the disruption to the community and motorists we will be carrying out this work over three phases using traffic management. Outside of these times the roads will be open as normal. You will find the locations of the work areas on the maps attached for your reference.

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

Construction activities from Monday 2 November to Spring 2021

A break for the festive holiday period

What to expect

For phase one some local overnight traffic management on the A355 and A413 with traffic light control

Use of welfare vehicles

Noise associated to construction works

What we will do

Provide access for emergency services

Work hard to ensure any impacts on residents are kept to a minimum

Hold webinars to keep you informed on updates and to ask questions to our team

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What are we doing?

Construction work to improve the junction will include:

- Temporary traffic management on the Gore Hill roundabout, to include four way traffic lights where required
- Temporary lane closures
- Site clearance activities
- Utility services diversion
- Localised widening and reconstruction of existing carriageway
- Reconstruction of footpaths including installation of kerbs
- Cleaning of existing road drainage and installation of new road drainage
- Renewal of road markings
- Relocation of existing street light columns and associated services
- Reinstating verges including top soiling and seeding

Work at Gore Hill roundabout will take place over three phases. Please refer to the maps overleaf that shows the working area of each phase of works.

Phase one – Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 20 November 2020

This will take place each night between – 9pm and 5am, Monday to Friday. The works will finish on Saturday at 5am in the morning and not restart until 9pm the following Monday.

Outside of these hours the A413 will be open as normal.

Phase two (utility diversions) - 23 November 2020 to the end of January 2021

Subject to further consents and approvals utility diversions are planned to be undertaken to the entrance of the westbound approach of the A413. We are working closely with the utility providers to ensure that any disruption caused by these works are minimised where possible.

The works will break over the holiday season and traffic management removed.

Phase three (remaining works) - February 2021 to Spring 2021

We will be undertaking the remainder of the work to the Gore Hill roundabout approaches and exits (A413 east approach and A413 west approach). Please refer to the map overleaf which highlights the work areas.

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How will this affect you?

We are working at night to reduce the impact on traffic travelling along the A413 and A355. The works will be closely monitored for noise and we will install temporary acoustic barriers around the work site to reduce the noise of our machinery as much as possible.

For the safety of road users and the workforce temporary traffic signals will be in place to manage traffic during the overnight phase one works.

Advance warning signage of the works will be put out on the road ahead of the traffic management. As soon as our works are completed all traffic management will be removed. Outside of the hours mentioned above all of the roads will be open as normal.

Access for Emergency services will be maintained at all times.

Overnight working hours will start Monday to Friday evening at 9pm and conclude the following morning at 5am. No overnight work will take place on a Saturday or a Sunday night.

The workforce will use mobile welfare units with materials and equipment delivered and removed at the start and end of each shift.

Existing pedestrian access during phase one will not be impacted.

Webinars and updates

We will be running webinars to provide you with further information on these works and for you to ask questions about our works to the project team. Details of the webinars and how to register will be advertised on www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk on the 23 November 2020.

The webinars will be held on;

- 30 November 2020 – 6pm to 7pm
- 12 January 2020 – 6pm to 7pm

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Junction maps

Map one – Areas of work, phase one

Monday 2 November to Friday 20 November 2020, weekday nights 9pm to 5am



Map two – Areas of work, phase two and three

23 November 2020 to Spring 2021



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Map three – A355 diversion for phase one (southbound only)



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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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