

Notice of Archaeological works off Rookery Lane

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Early works for HS2 are carried out by a joint venture between Laing O'Rourke and Murphy & Sons known as LM.

We are continually reviewing works on our construction sites in line with Government and Public Health England (PHE) advice on dealing with COVID-19. The Government's current COVID-19 strategy makes clear that construction activity can continue as long as it complies with this guidance.

The health and safety of our workforce and the communities we affect is our key priority. Please be assured that those sites that are currently still working are doing so because they can operate within PHE and construction industry guidelines.

We're uncovering Britain's past.

Before we begin to build the new railway, the surrounding area will become part of the largest archaeology programme ever undertaken in the UK.

Across the HS2 route, more than 1,000 archaeologists, scientists and conservators are revealing the everyday lives of the people and their communities from the last 10,000 years.

Crossing public rights of way.

Access to the fields in this area for archaeological trial trenching requires crossing multiple Public Rights of Way, currently within open land.

The crossing gates (marshalled at all times) may be used whilst plant is crossing but the public right of way will remain open at all times, removing the need to close the footpaths.

Works are due to start **10**th **June 2020** over a period of approximately 7 weeks overall, beginning at Hints 11 in the north and working south to Hints 13, 14 and Hints 8.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our helpdesk on 08081 434 434 or email HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

Notification



Duration of works

From 10th June till 31st July.

Working hours will be Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm.

What to expect

Some disruption to public rights of way.

Some low level noise from onsite machinery during working hours.

What we will do

Keep all sites safe and secure.

Keep disruption to a minimum.

Ensure all traffic management is clearly signed with any diversions clearly marked.

Answer your questions via the 24/7 HS2 helpdesk.

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For more information about what we have uncovered so far, visit: www.hs2.org.uk/building-hs2/archaeology

About our Community and Business Funds

We are offering two funds that are available to local communities and businesses in Birmingham and the West Midlands, 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: www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds



About our Commonplace websites

The planning and construction of HS2 is a huge operation – it is currently the largest infrastructure project in Europe.

It's important to us that you are kept up to date about the progress of the Project and any work that may impact you or your community. We have a series of community-focused websites where you can find out what is happening in your local area and sign up for updates about our activities. Our Commonplace sites currently serve Birmingham, Solihull, Staffordshire and Warwickshire. More sites are being prepared to serve other areas. To find your local Commonplace website, visit: https://hs2.commonplace.is/

For further information about Phase 2a and Phase 2b, visit: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/high-speed-two-limited



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/hs2residents-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-ltdresidents-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/hs2property

Find out if you're eligible for compensation at: www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-byhs2

Holding us to account

If you are unhappy for any reason you can make a complaint via the helpline. For more details on our complaints process, please visit our website: www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain

Contact Us

If you have any questions about this notification of works, please get in touch.



24/7 Freephone **08081 434 434**



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@ Email **HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk**

Write to:

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HS2 Community Engagement

Website www.hs2.org.uk

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