



## Notice of continued closure of Whielden Lane, 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.

### What we are doing

Whielden Lane has been closed since the 18 May 2020 when we started work to change the junction of Whielden Lane and the A404. This work is in preparation for the construction of the Chiltern Tunnel vent shaft and includes construction of a new combined footway/cycleway along Whielden Lane; a new road entrance to the vent shaft site; diversion of two BT services and a high-pressure Affinity Water main diversion.

Both BT and Affinity Water need to complete their works and to ensure that these can continue safely and to minimise disruption to residents, Whielden Lane will remain closed until December 2020. We also need to close part of the A404 overnight on the 2 and 3 November to commission the new traffic lights. These works will be advertised on the advance warning signs on site.

We will continue to run the bus replacement service from Gore Hill/A355 bus stops near the Tesco supermarket to the hospital. Monday to Saturday from 7am to 6.30pm on a half hourly basis. On Sundays a reduced hourly service will operate from 7.49am to 6.30pm. Keeping Whielden Lane closed allows us to do more work at one time than if it was carried out under single lane closures with traffic lights.

**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)**

### Duration of works

September to December 2020

### What to expect

Working hours Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm and Saturday 8am to 1pm. Our contractors may also be on site for one hour's start up and shutdown outside of these times. Some additional traffic on local diversion route roads.

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### What we will do

We will be working hard to ensure any impacts on residents are kept to a minimum during these and future works

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## How this may impact you

Whielden Lane will remain closed for through traffic until December 2020. We are however working closely with the utility companies to get the lane reopened earlier. The closure is shown on the map below. A sign-posted diversion for traffic is currently in place along Whielden Street, along The Broadway, Gore Hill to the A413 and A404. Access to the hospital will be maintained along Whielden Street from The Broadway and Amersham Old Town.

Pedestrian / cycle way access will be maintained via the existing path that crosses the vent shaft site. This path links the A404 near to the crematorium entrance and Whielden Street, near to the hospital entrance and A413 bypass overbridge. We are building a permanent replacement for the path along Whielden Street. The current path will not be closed until the new path is ready.

Access for emergency services and the crematorium will be provided at all times along the A404.



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

# What else is happening in your area?

[www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk)

## 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:

**FREEPOST**

**HS2 Community Engagement**

Website **[www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk)**

To keep up to date with what is happening in your local area, visit: **[www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk](http://www.hs2inbucksandox.co.uk)**

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