

# YOUR GUIDE TO THE HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON - WEST MIDLANDS) ADDITIONAL PROVISION

In November 2013 the Government deposited a hybrid Bill in Parliament to provide powers to construct, operate and maintain the first phase of High Speed Two (HS2), a railway line between London and Birmingham. The Government is now depositing a further set of documents, known as an Additional Provision (AP), which would authorise changes to the Bill proposals.

## Why are the proposals being changed?

The amendments are proposed to take account of:

- further discussions with landowners and occupiers;
- refinements to the design; and
- changes to accommodate the requirements of utilities providers.

The Additional Provision includes:

- a paper of amendments to the Bill, including plans and sections showing the changes proposed;
- a book of reference, identifying the owners and occupiers of newly affected land; and
- An AP Environmental Statement (AP ES), which describes any new or different likely significant environmental effects (beneficial or adverse) arising from the amendments, compared to the November 2013 ES, and outlines the measures proposed to avoid or reduce them (see overleaf).

## Can I comment on the AP ES?

Parliament will conduct a consultation on the AP ES, which will run until 23:59 on Friday 14 November 2014. Information about how to respond to the consultation on the ES AP can be found via [www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk).

## Can I object to the AP?

There is a petitioning period during which anyone directly affected by the proposals in the AP may submit petitions against them. The last date for deposit of petitions against the AP in the House of Commons will be 17 October 2014.

Petitions against the AP will be heard by the Select Committee currently considering the Bill. Further information on petitioning can be found on the UK Parliament website, [www.ukparliament.co.uk](http://www.ukparliament.co.uk).

## Where to get further information

Further information about the AP and the AP ES can be found on the HS2 Ltd website at [www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk) and at [www.gov.uk/dft](http://www.gov.uk/dft).

You can also contact the HS2 Community Relations Helpdesk on 020 7944 4908 or at [hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)

## What happens next?

Members of the public and other interested parties can:

- send comments on the AP ES to the Secretary of State for Transport via the consultation response channels on the [gov.uk](http://gov.uk) website.
- object to the proposals in the AP by depositing a petition in the House of Commons. Further information on petitioning can be found on the UK Parliament website, [www.ukparliament.uk](http://www.ukparliament.uk)

## The AP Environmental Statement

The AP ES is composed of a number of documents, all of which are publicly available. If you are on the line of the proposed HS2 route, or if you want to know about the environmental effects of the amendments to the design, the following descriptions should help you identify the documents most relevant to you.

### Non-technical summary

This is a summary of the changes and any likely significant residual effects on the environment. You may find this a useful place to start.

### Volume 1: Introduction and methodology

This is an overview which describes the proposed amendments, construction information relating to utility diversions and any changes to the scope, methodology, assumptions and limitations required for the environmental assessment associated with them.

### Volume 2: Community Forum Area (CFA) report and map book

This volume describes more comprehensively the changes at a local (community forum area) level. It explains the amendments, any likely significant effects on the environment and the measures proposed to reduce or avoid them. It is accompanied by a map book, showing 'before' and 'after' details of the proposed amendments, which is split into six parts (see details in box opposite).

This volume also describes any changes to the original technical appendices.

### Volume 3: Route-wide effects

This report describes any new or different likely significant route-wide effects arising from the amendments, compared to those reported in the HS2 Phase One ES.

**Please note: Volumes 1, 2 and 3 have been produced as a single document.**

### Volume 4: Off-route effects

There will be no Volume 4 published in this AP ES as none of the amendments relate to off-route areas.

### Volume 5: Map book

This book contains mapping information that supports the technical surveys described in Volume 2.

## Where is the ES available?

You can access the ES in three ways:

**Digital** – Libraries, local authority offices and parish councils that are affected by the changes have been supplied with the AP and AP ES in digital format, and will make this available to the public. If you wish to know where the documents are available, please visit the HS2 Ltd website.

**Print** – Some libraries have also requested printed copies of the documentation most relevant to their area.

**Online** – The full AP and AP ES is accessible through the HS2 website, which also hosts supporting documentation and materials, and on [www.gov.uk/dft](http://www.gov.uk/dft).

**The AP ES Volume 2 map books (AP ES 3.2) are in six parts, containing details on changes in these areas:**

#### 2.1 CFA 7 – Colne Valley

CFA 9 – The Chalfonts and Amersham

CFA 10 – Dunsmore, Wendover and Halton

#### 2.2 CFA 11 – Stoke Mandeville and Aylesbury

#### 2.3 CFA 12 – Waddesdon and Quainton

CFA 13 – Calvert, Steeple Claydon, Twyford and Chetwode

CFA 14 – Newton Purcell to Brackley

CFA 15 – Greatworth to Lower Boddington

#### 2.4 CFA 16 – Ladbroke and Southam

CFA 17 – Offchurch and Cubbington

CFA 18 – Stoneleigh, Kenilworth and Burton Green

#### 2.5 CFA 19 – Coleshill Junction

CFA 20 – Curdworth to Middleton

CFA 21 – Drayton Bassett, Hints and Weeford

CFA 22 – Whittington to Handsacre

#### 2.6 CFA 23 – Balsall Common and Hampton-in-Arden

CFA 26 – Washwood Heath to Curzon Street