

# News from HS2 for where you live

## What is HS2?

This leaflet is about the new railway called HS2.

It will run between big cities in Britain and it will help to link people and jobs.

We will start building part 1 of the railway soon.



## What does it mean for me?

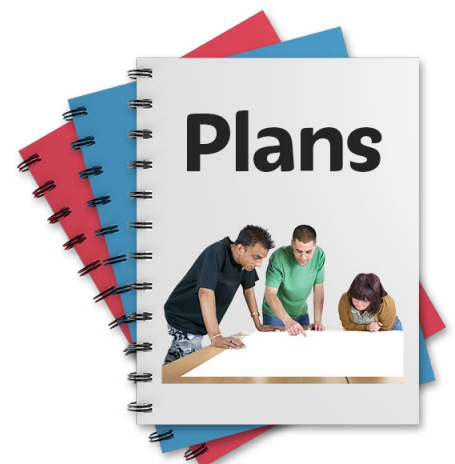
There is a team of people who work for HS2, near where you live.

This leaflet tells you:

- who we are.
- when and where you might see us working.
- what we are doing.

Do you have questions about HS2 and how it could affect you?

You can talk to us – the back of this leaflet shows you how.



## What stage are the plans at?

We will start building the new railway as soon as Parliament says we can.

3 companies are helping us with the work in your area:

- Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure Ltd.
- BAM Nuttall Ltd.
- Ferrovial Agroman.

You can call our helpline on 020 7944 4908 if you have any questions about this work.



## Here to help

Matt Hadlington is HS2's team leader in your area.



## Information on property

We will contact you if building the new railway might affect where you live or your business.

If you own and live in a property affected by HS2, you can find out how we help and what to expect at:

[www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2](http://www.gov.uk/claim-compensation-if-affected-by-hs2)



## Listening to you

If you would like to meet us face-to-face, you can come to a community event or an HS2 event.

We will hold more events soon.

You can find out about all our events at [www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-events](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-events)



## Uncovering the past

In spring, we will start to check the ground before building the new railway.

In some places, this means we will find out more history.

We will look at:

- Edgcote Battlefield (an important place in the Wars of the Roses).
- The Roman Villa in Northamptonshire.

We will share what we find out with schools and communities.



## Understanding ground conditions

We will contact you if we need to drill a hole to check the ground near you.



## £70m to benefit local communities

There is some money to help businesses and community groups near the new railway.

Businesses and community groups can apply for some of this money (£40m in total) through Groundwork UK.

Then there is £30m to make local roads better.

## Useful links

Residents' charter and commissioner

We promise to be as clear as possible with information you need to know.

The residents' commissioner helps us to keep this promise.

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/hs2-ltd-residents-commissioner)

[residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk](mailto:residentscommissioner@hs2.org.uk)

Construction commissioner

This person helps if you need to complain about the new railway.

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

[complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk](mailto:complaints@hs2-cc.org.uk)

If you have any questions or you'd like to find out more, you can get in touch with our helpline:



**TELEPHONE**  
020 7944 4908



**EMAIL**  
HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk



**MINICOM**  
020 7944 6500

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You can also contact us for help and information in a different language.

