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## HS2 update

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. This newsletter is to help inform you about our works and provide information about other activities taking place.

### John Parrott the Head of Community Engagement for Area South, discusses the latest from his team.

Welcome to our second Camden newsletter. This is one of the ways that we keep you informed about HS2.

Our enabling works are progressing in preparation for main works starting next year. You will find more information about these works on pages two and three.

HS2 in Camden, our information centre, has had over 300 visitors this year. If you have any questions about HS2 and the construction works in the area please come along and meet my team at 112 Hampstead Road - opening hours and full address are on the back page. This centre is temporary, but we are exploring options for a larger and improved base in the area.

Every four weeks we hold a drop-in event at different locations around Camden. These events have been well attended with over 150 people so far this year. This is an opportunity for you to meet with our construction team, contractors, Network Rail and utility companies. Please see page three for details of our next events.

The community engagement team also carry out walkabouts twice a week, and you may have seen our customer experience representatives in the area to help with queries.

We send out notices about upcoming works and our local website [www.HS2inCamden.co.uk](http://www.HS2inCamden.co.uk) provides up to date information. You can also sign up for news alerts and find out about upcoming events.

My team and I are available for you to speak to and continue to look at additional ways to engage with you.



John Parrott, Head of Community Engagement - Area South



Lizzie Gomes, HS2 in Camden Information Centre Manager

### Win theatre tickets

We have 10 pairs of tickets to give away for the Camden People's Theatre production 'The Ex-boyfriend Yard Sale' visit [www.HS2inCamden.co.uk](http://www.HS2inCamden.co.uk) for your chance to win!



# Works in your area

The information and maps below describe the construction works that we are carrying out around Camden in the coming months and where they will be taking place.

## 1 The former National Temperance hospital and St James's Gardens

This site is being used as a construction compound. Work at the former hospital is progressing, with the demolition of the Insull Wing almost complete. Large tents are being installed at St James's Gardens (a former 18th and 19th century burial ground) to screen the site whilst archaeologists carry out exhumations.

## 2 Demolitions

Work to demolish the former Ibis and Thistle hotels on Cardington Street and other buildings to the west of Euston Station continues and is expected to be completed next summer.

Preparation for the demolition of the buildings at the Melton Street site (Grant Thornton House and One Euston Square) is underway.

Work to demolish the UCL building on Hampstead Road has started and is due to be completed next spring (not shown on map).

### Site visits

We are planning to hold site visits this winter, where you can meet the demolition team. Please register your interest by emailing [HS2inCamden@HS2.org.uk](mailto:HS2inCamden@HS2.org.uk). Visitor numbers will be limited to ten per visit.

## 3 Euston Square Gardens

The temporary taxi rank being built in the west side of Euston Square Gardens will be operational later this year. This is to replace the underground taxi rank at Euston Station that will permanently close, along with the car park.



This map is for illustrative purposes only

## 4 Drummond Street

The west end of Drummond Street is permanently closed to traffic and access to Melton Street from Euston Road is for taxis only.

However, the restaurants and businesses on Drummond Street continue to operate as normal and pedestrian access is maintained.

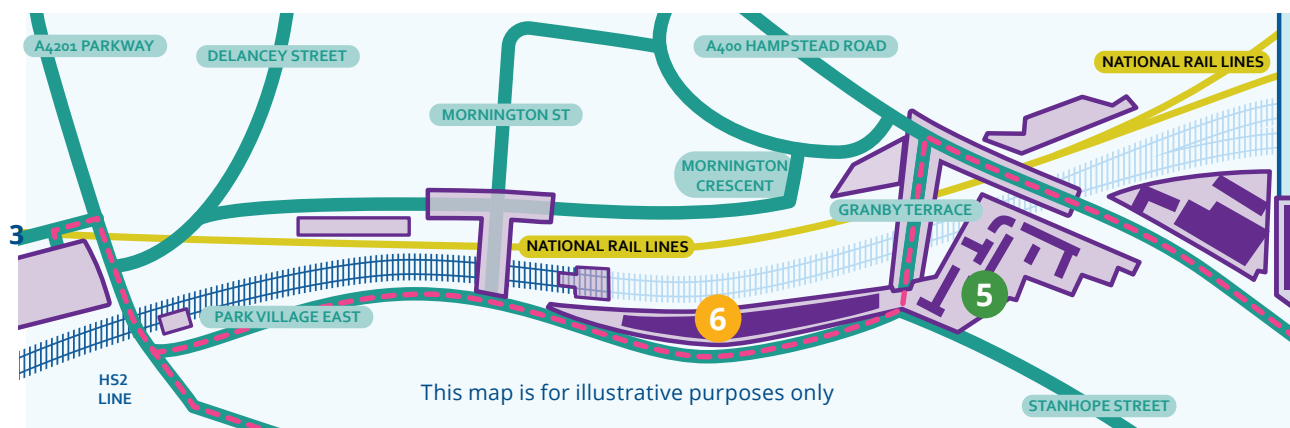
## Network Rail works

Network Rail are continuing their preparations for HS2. This work mainly involves removing unused structures and equipment, and preparing the tracks for HS2 services.

### Noise Insulation

The HS2 Noise Insulation Scheme offers to provide secondary glazing to help protect your property from noise.

To find out more and whether you are eligible visit [www.HS2inCamden.co.uk](http://www.HS2inCamden.co.uk) or contact our Freephone Community Helpline on **08081 434 434**.



## 5 Regent's Park Estate

Preparation is ongoing for building demolitions at Regent's Park Estate. We have provided funding to Camden Council for replacement homes close by, and tenants have moved into their new homes. Granby Terrace Bridge is now closed for public use.

## 6 Former DB Cargo Shed site

Demolition of the DB Cargo Shed (disused train carriage shed near Granby Terrace Bridge) is complete in preparation for specialist tunnelling teams to move onto the site next year.

## Water main diversion

Thames Water are continuing work to divert the 42" water main as part of our preparatory works. It will be moved from Park Village East and diverted through the London Zoo car park, Albany Street, Redhill Street and Cumberland Market.

## Design development

The design of the Euston approach is ongoing. Design refinements to date mean that we no longer need to demolish and rebuild the three existing bridges at Mornington Street, Granby Terrace and Hampstead Road, although works to extend the bridges will still take place.

## Euston Station design events

We will deliver eleven new platforms in two phases, more than doubling capacity at the station. There will also be a new concourse and expanded underground. For the first time this will be linked to the nearby Euston Square tube station.

Arup and Grimshaw Architects are progressing the station design and we are holding engagement events on their progress in November 2018.

Come along to our drop-in events on:

- **7 November**, from **5-7pm**, with a presentation from Arup at **5.30pm**, at the **Wesley Hotel, Euston Street, 81-103 Euston St, London, NW1 2EZ**.
- **17 November**, from **1-4pm**, with a presentation from Arup at **1.30pm**, at **The St Pancras and Somers Town Living Centre, 2 Ossulston Street, London NW1 1DF**

Information will also be available to view and comment on at the HS2 in Camden information centre (address and opening hours are on the back page) and also on [www.HS2inCamden.co.uk](http://www.HS2inCamden.co.uk), from 7 November until 1 December.



## Heritage Open Day

In September we participated in the Heritage Open Days festival. We opened up our offices at the former National Temperance Hospital site to over 120 people. Visitors learnt about the history and heritage surrounding St James's Gardens and the Euston area, particularly the burial ground archaeology taking place in the gardens.

Talks were given by our archaeologists who will be excavating and recording the extensive burials at St James's, outlining their research and findings so far.

The Museum of London Archaeology's (MOLA) Time Truck was at the event. Visitors were able to hear from their osteoarchaeologist about how they work with skeletal remains to find out important information about the past. What did people look like? What diseases and illnesses did people in the past suffer from? What types of foods were consumed?

As well as exploring the past at St James's Gardens we also recorded stories and memories of the area as part of our local oral history project and using our pop-up recording studio. These recordings will form part of a series of podcasts which we will be sharing soon on our local website [www.HS2inCamden.co.uk](http://www.HS2inCamden.co.uk).



## Apply for our community and business funds

Two funds are available to local communities and businesses who are affected by the construction of Phase One between the West Midlands and London.

So far, £379,625 has been awarded to projects in Camden, supporting health and wellbeing initiatives, environmental and gardening projects, and skills and vocational training.

If you are interested in applying for one of our funds please visit [www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds](http://www.groundwork.org.uk/hs2funds) or come to one of our regular drop-ins where our Community Engagement team can advise you further on the application process.





## Apprenticeship scheme

We currently have over 100 apprentices working on the project, with over 2,000 expected over the lifetime of the project. These apprenticeships cover a range of technical skills and administrative roles in construction and engineering and help to create a lasting legacy.

**We spoke to three apprentices, Abu, Callum and Holly who are working with our early works contractor, Costain Skanska Joint Venture (CSJV), to see what they think of the scheme.**

**Abu:** My current role is an Information Coordinator. I get to learn about the industry, work, and get paid whilst doing both. In my opinion it is a much better choice than college and university as there are courses / qualifications that are at degree level.

**Callum:** I am an Apprentice Quantity Surveyor. The best thing for me is the balance between work and the degree as I can learn while I work and come out of the five year programme with a degree, work experience and a chartership.

**Holly:** I am a Business and Administration Apprentice. I love the scheme, it's a good opportunity to work in a high level team, gain experience, work and learn at the same time.



Callum Martin, Quantity Surveyor Apprentice and Abu Sayed, Information Coordinator Apprentice



Holly Clifton, Business and Administration Apprentice

## Planting day at the pop-up garden

At a recent lunch and learn day local children helped create a winter garden for the community by planting herbs and flowers, and painting bug boxes and flower pots.

Homemade lemonade was provided by the Citrus Saturdays, an experimental learning programme developed by UCL aimed at teaching entrepreneurship and enterprise skills to young people.

Delicious pancakes were kindly provided by the Zad café, Somers Town.

Please come along and visit the garden, at 112 Hampstead Road (Former National Temperance Hospital), NW1 2PS.



# Keeping you informed

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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 with people who live along or near the HS2 route.

We have an independent Residents' Commissioner who makes 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)

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)

## Contact us

If you have any questions about this document, please get in touch.

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### Visit us at HS2 in Camden

112 Hampstead Road, NW1 2PS

### Our opening hours are:

Tuesday/Wednesday: **10am-4pm**

Thursday: **4pm-8pm**

First Saturday of every month: **10am-2pm**

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

[www.hs2incamden.co.uk](http://www.hs2incamden.co.uk)

## 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/](http://www.hs2.org.uk/how-to-complain/)

## Español

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## Français

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## Somali

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## Bengali

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