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Working on behalf of HS2 Ltd - contractor mobilises for Hams Hall North overhead line works

As you know, National Grid is required to modify some overhead electricity lines, pylons and gas pipelines along the HS2 route to allow for the build and operation of the new railway. This year, to achieve the required safety clearance above HS2 and its associated infrastructure, we'll replace the pylons and raise the height of the overhead line that the new railway will pass under. Most of this work will take place in two locations. The first is near Drayton Lane, Drayton Bassett and the second is near Dunton Coppice off Kingsbury Road, Curdworth.

From this month, neighbours may see initial temporary works by our contractor, Babcock. This includes clearing vegetation and creating trackway/stone roads to provide access to pylons for our vehicles, staff, plant and equipment. There may be overnight road closures in some areas, so we can install scaffolding and netting for our work. We'll send out a separate notification with the details if they may affect you. Neighbours near the overhead line route itself around The Belfry, Hunts Green, Wishaw and Middleton may also see activity until September 2019. This includes wire pulling and the temporary diversion of a fibre cable. The cable will be taken off the overhead line and mounted on poles to maintain communications.

The main construction work will start soon. In summary we'll:

- Temporarily divert fibre cable
- Build two new pylons
- Connect to the existing network
- Install electricity cables
- Remove old pylons and reinstate the ground

We'll carry out the significant work during our electricity outage in late Spring/early Summer 2019 to minimise local disruption. We'll then turn the power supply off on these pylons for the rest of work. The works may involve temporary closures to footpaths and roads. We'll do all we can to minimise our presence while we're in the area and we'll keep you updated as the programme progresses. We've also written to residents to let them know about our work.

None of our work will affect local electricity supplies. We expect to complete the work around Autumn 2019. **However, these dates are subject to change to fit with the activities of other HS2 contractors.**

You can visit <https://hs2.commonplace.is/> to find out more about HS2 Ltd work in your area. Please call our Community Relations team if you have any queries about our work or our role on HS2. They're available 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday on 0800 073 1047 and info@nationalgridhs2.com.

If you have a general enquiry regarding HS2, please call the HS2 Freephone Community Helpline which is operated 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. The Helpline is available at HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk and telephone 08081 434 434. A Freephone Minicom service is operated on 08081 456 472 for those with hearing difficulties. You can also write to them at: HS2 Community Hub, High Speed Two (HS2) Ltd, Two Snowhill, Snow Hill Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6GA.

Yours sincerely



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North of Hams Hall overhead line works

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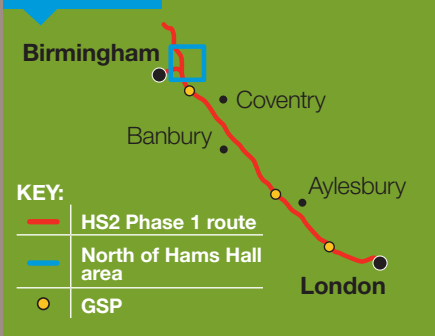
We have a number of overhead electricity lines, pylons and gas pipelines along the HS2 route that we need to move or protect to allow the new railway line to be built and to operate.

We are also responsible for providing power to the railway, which we will do by building Grid Supply Point (GSP) substations.

There will be three of these located along the Phase 1 route.

We'll be carrying out the work on behalf of HS2 Ltd, and will engage with local residents, businesses, landowners and others affected in advance to help minimise disruption.

Overview



About the works

The route of HS2 passes under National Grid's electricity network in several places north of our substation at Hams Hall.

To achieve the required safety clearance above HS2 and its associated infrastructure, we need to move or raise some of our pylons and electricity cables.

We'll build two new pylons; the first near Drayton Lane, Drayton Bassett and the second near Dunton Coppice, off Kingsbury Road, install electricity cable onto them and connect each end to the existing network. We'll then take down the two old pylons and reinstate the ground they were standing on.

Our network isn't connected directly to homes and businesses so the work won't affect local electricity supplies. It will take place between our substation at Hams Lane, near Hams Hall Distribution Park, travelling northwards to near Mile Oak, west of Fazeley. The line route passes close to The Belfry, Hunts Green, Wishaw, Middleton and Drayton Bassett.

Indicative schedule for North of Hams Hall overhead line works

January 2019 – Works to start

September 2019 – Works to be complete

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The following maps show the two areas affected by these works where we'll replace pylons and raise the height of a section of the overhead line.

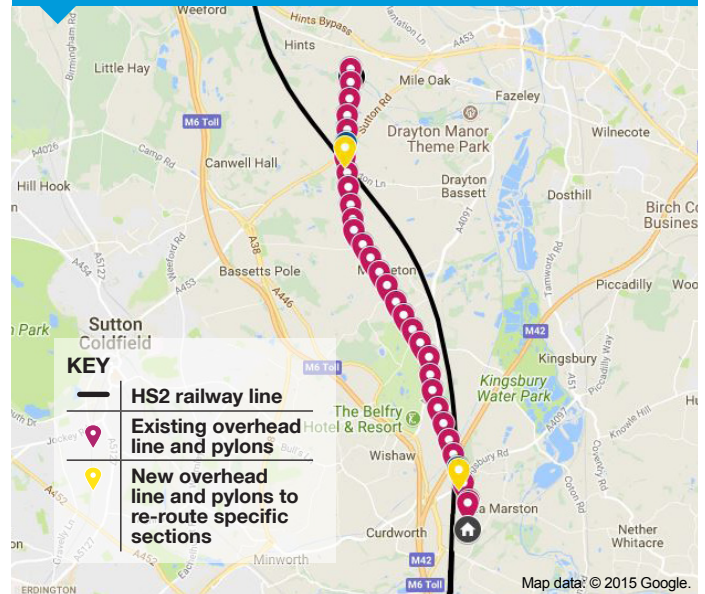
The works overall include:

- Temporary fibre cable diversion
- Build new pylons
- Install electricity cable
- Connect to the existing network
- Remove old pylons and reinstate the ground

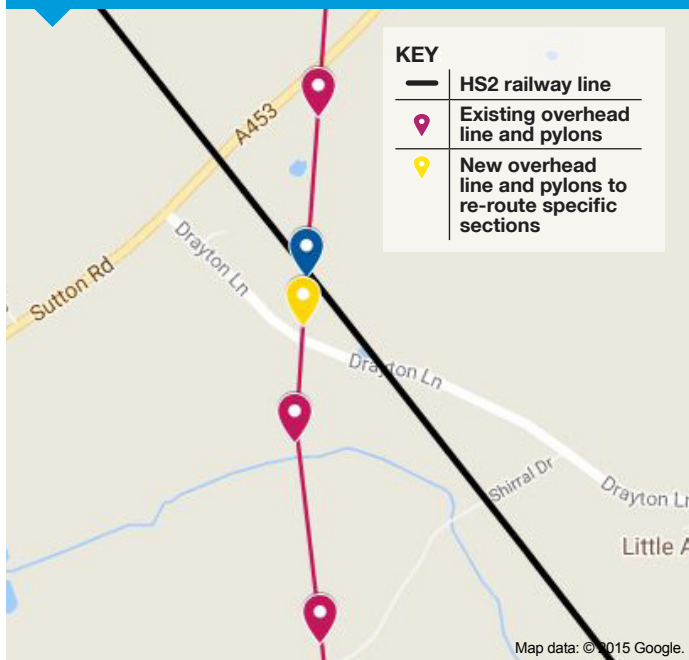
The works will involve some temporary closures to footpaths and roads. We aim to minimise disruption to the community from our work.

Please get in touch if you have any questions.

North of Hams Hall overhead line route from Hams Hall substation near Coleshill to near Mile Oak, west of Fazeley

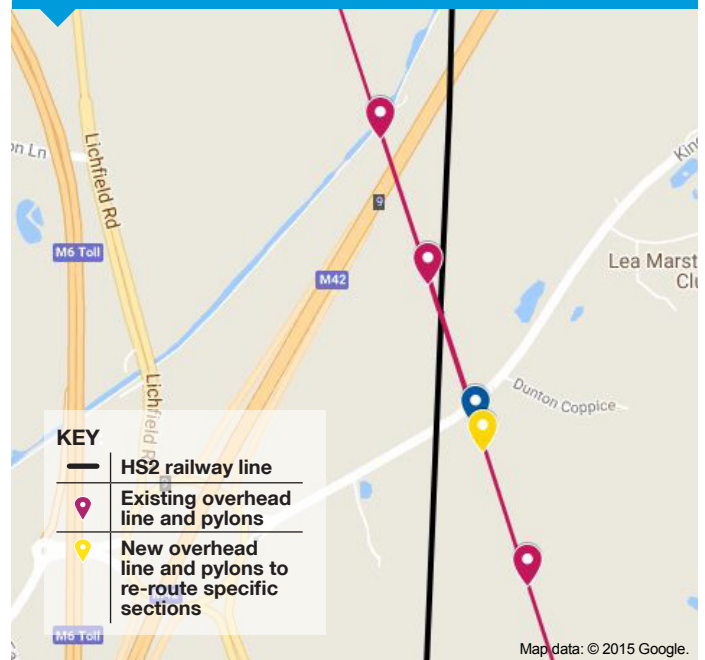


Replacement of pylon 64



We'll build a new pylon near Drayton Lane, Drayton Bassett, install electricity cable onto it and connect each end to the existing network. The blue marker denotes the location of the pylon being replaced.

Replacement of pylon 86



We'll build a new pylon near Dunton Coppice, off Kingsbury Road, install electricity cable onto it and connect each end to the existing network. The blue marker denotes the location of the pylon being replaced.

Please note that these plans are for indicative purposes only and are not to scale.