

# HS2

## Notice of Affinity Water pipeline construction

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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.

### New Affinity Water pipeline between Chalfont St Giles and Amersham

Over the past few months Affinity Water contractors, Barhale, have been undertaking surveys along the route of a new water pipeline, which will be built between Chalfont St Giles and Amersham. The pipeline will take water from the Chalfont St Giles treatment plant to the main plant at Amersham.

To provide protection to the drinking water supply, in the unlikely event the HS2 works give rise to turbidity, there are several turbidity treatment plants currently being built by Affinity Water at their sites along the HS2 line of route.

Turbidity is when water appears cloudy, which may cause problems with how the water is filtered. The additional turbidity treatment plants will reduce the risk of this happening.

### Why is the pipeline needed?

The Chalfont St Giles pumping station is not large enough to accommodate a turbidity plant. Therefore a pipeline needs to be constructed to pump water from Chalfont St Giles to the Amersham pumping station where it will go through the normal filtration process and then back out into the supply for the local area. Affinity Water are due to finish the turbidity plant at Amersham later this year.

**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)**

### Notification



#### Duration of works

June to December 2020

#### What to expect

Works taking place in the fields to the west of the A413 between Chalfont St Giles and Amersham. Working hours are Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm and Saturday 8am to 1pm. Contractors may also be on site for one hour's start up and shutdown outside of these times

#### What we will do

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

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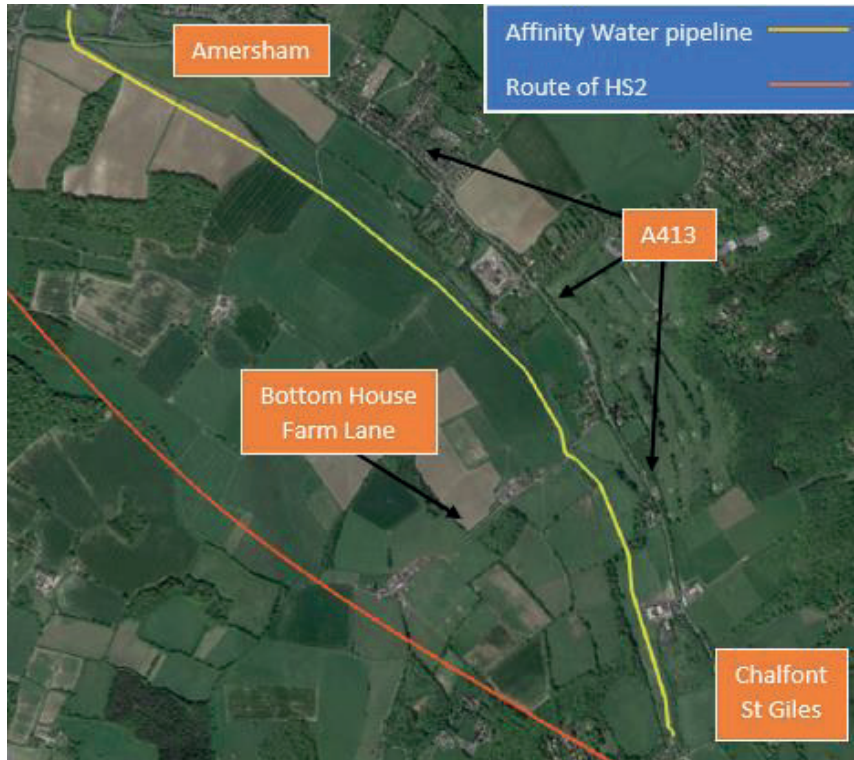
## Water supply in the local area

During construction and the operational lifetime of HS2 we will not impact on the quality or quantity of the water supply that Affinity Water (as regulated by the Environment Agency) are committed to supply. We continue to work closely with Affinity Water and the Environment Agency to agree designs and construction approach so that we have no impact on the existing resident, business and environmental commitments.

## Where does the pipeline go and impact on Public Rights of Way?

The pipeline goes from Chalfont St Giles pumping station to the Amersham pumping station. There are three compounds along the pipeline where the works will be managed from. These are at Gore Hill in Amersham, at a shared facility with other HS2 contractors at Bottom House Farm Lane and at the pumping station at Mill Lane in Chalfont St Giles. Where the pipeline works impact Public Rights of Way, these will be managed so that they remain open, although there may be times when access will need to be managed.

The map below shows where the new pipeline will be built in land south west of the A413 between Chalfont St Giles pumping station and Amersham pumping station.



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**

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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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