



## Notice of works, sheet piling and rail bridge demolition, Wendover

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### What are we doing?

As part of our continued preparatory works for the construction of the Small Dean Viaduct we need to undertake the following activities:

- Completion of the sheet piling on the Chiltern Line
- Demolition of the footbridge over the Chiltern Line
- Vegetation and further site clearance in the Small Dean area

### Why are we doing it?

We need to install sheet piles adjacent to the existing rail line near Small Dean Lane. These works are vital to protect and secure the network rail line during the construction of the viaduct over the A413 London Road.

We will also be carrying out the demolition of a foot bridge over the Chiltern Rail line in the Small Dean area as this will be in the path of where the Small Dean Viaduct will cross the A413.

### When will these works take place?

These works can only be done under Network Rail possession of the rail line and section of Small Dean Lane will be closed whilst these works take place.

We will be working 24 hours a day from midnight on Saturday 25 December until 4.00am Wednesday 29 December. Work will then resume, 24 hours a day from 1.00am on Saturday 1 January to 1.00am Monday 3 January. We will aim to get the work completed as quickly as possible.

**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)**

### Duration of works

Works will commence Saturday 25 December 2021  
Works will take place 24 hours a day.

### What to expect

Varied activities with both quiet and busier periods.

Installation of sheet piles and the removal of a foot bridge.

A full road closure.

Noise from plant and equipment used for the works.

### What we will do

Manage any environmental impacts, such as traffic and noise.

Respond promptly to any complaints and take appropriate action.

Take care to respect the community.

Conduct noise and vibration monitoring to ensure works are within approved limits.

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## What is sheet piling?

Sheet piles are commonly used for retaining walls and underground structures to provide stability and support to the ground prior to future works taking place, in this case the construction of the viaduct. We will be using sections of sheet metal between nine and sixteen metres long with interlocking edges that will be pushed into the ground, side by side to form a wall to provide a permanent earth retaining barrier. The retaining wall will protect the Chiltern Rail line and the viaduct during construction. We are also preparing the area with some site clearance and construction of an access ramp down to the track as well as track monitoring.

## Will there be noise?

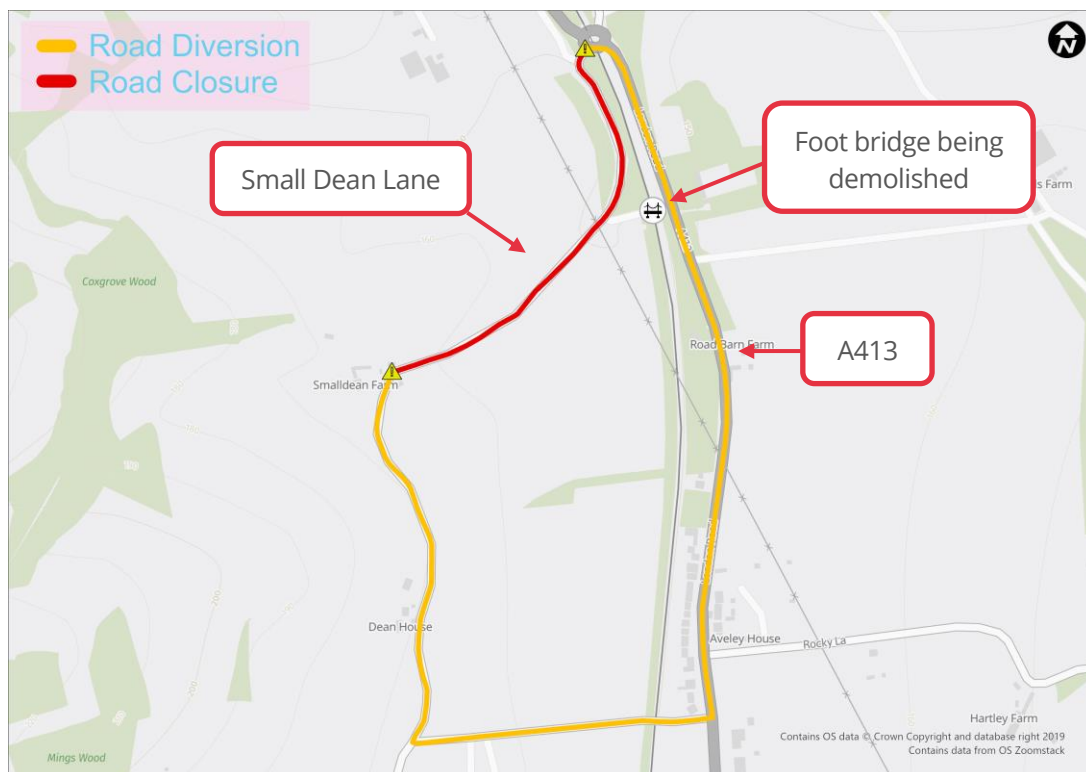
Due to the nature of the works, there will be some construction noise associated with this activity. We will be constantly monitoring all noise at several noise receptor points close to the works areas.

Works are taking place within the rail line cutting and therefore we do not anticipate levels of noise exceeding the permitted limits for working outside of core hours. Due to the nature of the work, we have obtained a section 61 approval from Buckinghamshire Council permitting us to complete it.

## Where will the road closure be?

We are planning to carry out these works at the end of December and into the new year. During the works, a section of Small Dean Lane will be closed, with a local signed diversion in place.

The map below, shows the closure and local diversion via Dunsmore Lane and the A413 London Road.



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## Where will the piling works take place?

The map below, shows the approximate area of works for the installation of sheet piles near Small Dean Lane.

We are planning to use a pre-auger drill to loosen the ground and then push the piles into place using a vibration method. In the event that we find hard ground or obstacles, a vibro-hammer may be used for short periods of time to disturb the ground and drive the sheets through the hard areas.



# 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

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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)

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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)

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