

# **EKFB update**

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### **EKFB Update**

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- 1. Community Investment
- 2. Site Visits / Tours
- 3. Construction & Engagement Update
- 4. HS2 Enquiries
- 5. Christmas Shutdown

### Community Investment



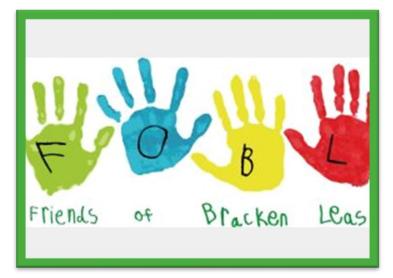
This autumn EKFB donated defibrillators to the villages of **Radstone Parish** and **Priors Hardwick**.

We are currently running a toy and food collection at our sites which will be donated to the charity, **Brackley Elves**. This charity provides support for local families and the elderly community in and around Brackley. We have also donated £1000 to the charity to help support those in need. For the second year in a row, we supported **Helmdon & Chacombe Village's Firework Fest** for bonfire night. EKFB subcontractors supplied fencing and tower lighting. This autumn we donated £1000 to Friends of **Bracken Leas Primary School** who are raising funds for a new outdoor classroom in their Forest School Area. We are also going to be helping them with their large fundraising event next Summer.



Sending you some Christmas cheer





### Local Support this Christmas



Just some of the presents delivered to Brackley Elves Charity this week ready for Christmas!



Food, toiletries and treats donated to Brackley Foodbank by staff from Brackley, Chipping Warden and Southam compounds.

### **Brackley Allotments**

This autumn, in collaboration with HW Martin, we replaced fencing for the Brackley Allotments, Egerton Site, located near St. Peters Church in Brackley.



#### Before



"I popped down to Egerton Site on Friday evening to have a look at the fence your team has put in. What can I say? It's an absolutely amazing job! The quality of the fence and workmanship is fantastic and the site has been left spotless. One of the site reps messaged me Friday afternoon to say what a fab job your team has done and I'd call that an understatement. On behalf of the Association thank you both so much for your generosity and hard work. Thanks too to your team who have done such a terrific job!" -Brackley Allotment Chairman

### Men in Sheds



Volunteers from HW Martin carrying out works for Men in Sheds at their Evenly location.



Members of Men in Sheds, Brackley on a site tour at our A43 compound in October.

In May the team met with the local Men in Sheds group to learn about the organisation and how we could support them while they establish themselves in Brackley; with their first permanent site located at Evenly Wood Gardens.

Men in Sheds is an organisation established to create a space where men and women of all ages and abilities can gather to undertake projects for the local community, themselves, or just meet like-minded individuals.

In doing so people, who otherwise might be isolated, or feel excluded will find a welcoming community to accept them, their skills, and have them teach or learn new ones.

In **October**, working with our subcontractor HW Martin, we were able to carry out some site work for the charity to clear an area for their new shed. We are now working with our suppliers to see how we can support them with the next steps with the installation of a concrete foundation for the shed.

*"Many thanks to the Team from EKFB, Joint venture responsible for this section of HS2, for making this happen"* (*Ref – preparation works for Men in Sheds new site*)

### **Site Tours**

- Minibus tours using our site access road
- Emergency Services
- Armed forces
- Schools and community groups



We have an ongoing programme of visits by Chipping Warden Primary School

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Chipping Warden Parish Council April 23 Northants Fire Service Dec 23

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### **Wormleighton Road connection**

In early 2024 new sections of highway will open, connecting Banbury Road Overbridge to Wormleighton Road



### **Northants / Warwickshire Border**

#### **Recent Activity**

- Bridge Construction
- New highway surfacing
- Banbury Road realignment
- Landscaping

#### 2024 Lookahead

- Wormleighton Road
- Warwick Road
- Landscaping
- Stoneton Lane Green
   Overbridge



### Banbury Road Boddington

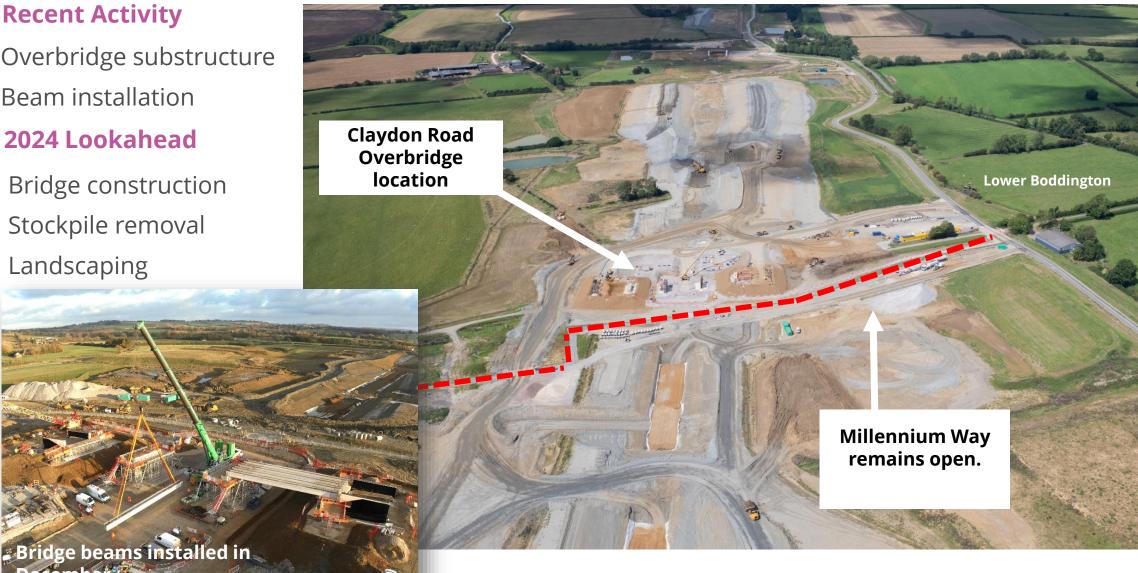


### **Boddington Area**

#### **Recent Activity**

- Overbridge substructure •
- Beam installation 2024 Lookahead
- Bridge construction
- Stockpile removal •
- Landscaping

December



## **Highfurlong Viaduct**

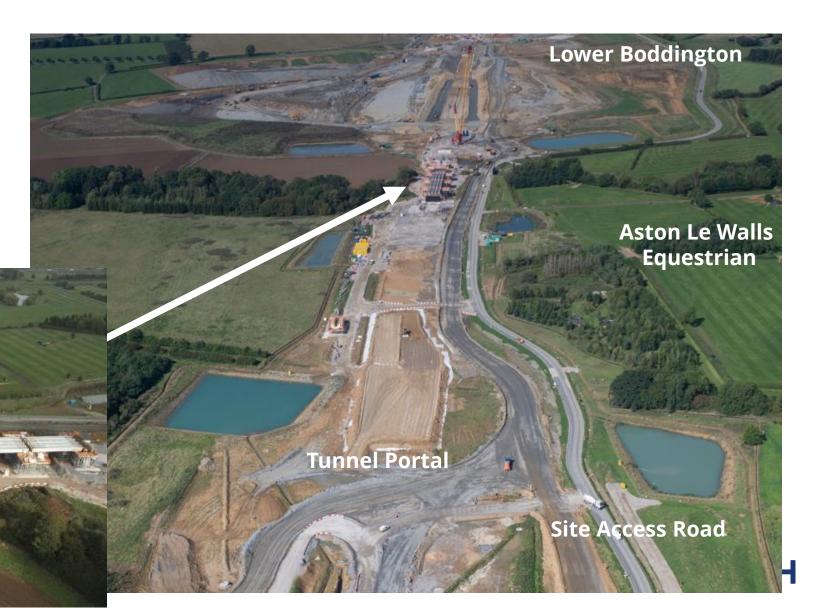
#### 2023 Recent Activity

- Precast beam installation.
- All delivered via site access road

#### 2024 Lookahead

- Viaduct deck and parapets.
- Viaduct completion





## **Highfurlong Viaduct**

#### **Beam installation**





- We have completed installing the deck beams on the Highfurlong Brook viaduct
- The first viaduct on HS2 to reach this stage of construction.
- Viaduct length: 163 metres long with 7 spans consists of seven spans, crossing Highfurlong Brook at a height approximately 9 metres.

### Chipping Warden / A361

**Backfilling with earth:** Spring 2024

Realigned A361 construction: April 2024 – Late 2024

**Highway open to traffic:** Late 2024 or early 2025





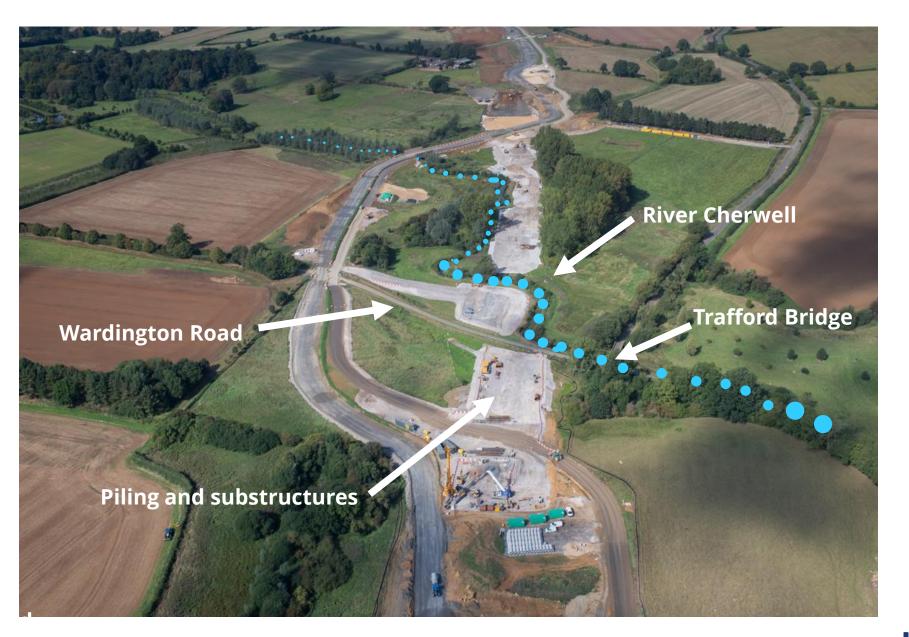
### Edgcote

#### 2023 Recent Activity

- Edcote Viaduct piling and foundations
- Watercourse diversions.
- Riverbank reinforcement

#### 2024 Lookahead

- Viaduct Construction
- Wardington Road highway works



### **Edgcote Viaduct**

**Design**:

The design now as has two beams and provides a more open arrangement. The sides and parapets remain very similar with a textured finish.





### **Lower Thorpe**

#### 2023 Recent Activity

- Piling and substructures.
- Viaduct pier installation

#### 2024 Lookahead

- Viaduct beams and deck installation
- Pre-cast sections delivered using the site access road

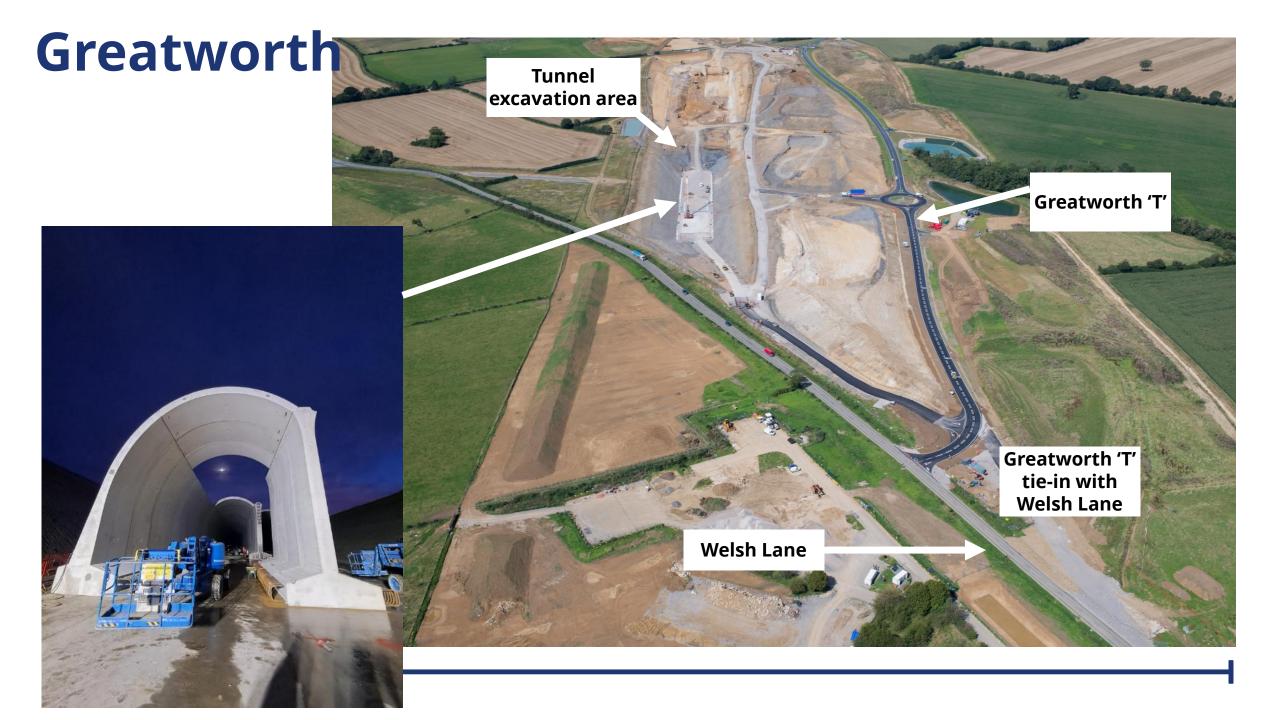


### Lower Thorpe

#### Lower sections of the viaduct piers are now being installed







### Greatworth

#### Helmdon Road Area

• Helmdon Road was closed in October.

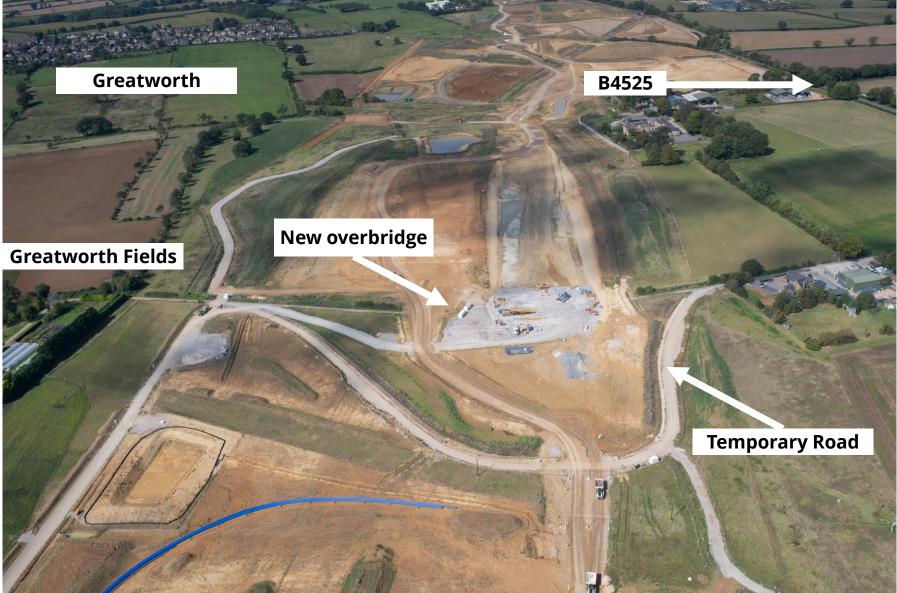




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#### 2023/24 Activity

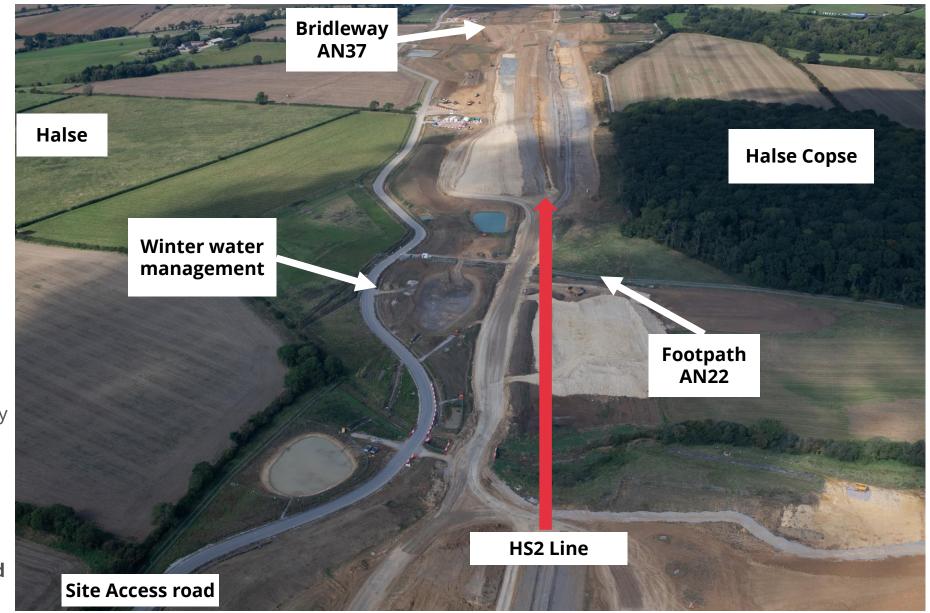
- Earthworks continue
- AN14 Accommodation overbridge preparation:
- AN14 piling have completed:
  - Early 2024 works start on the abutment construction
- Local water diversion ongoing
- AN14 Accommodation
   Overbridge:
- approximately span 58.5m and
  5.8m wide



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#### 2023/24 Activity

- AN37 Piling starts end of January.
- Bridleway AN37 Overbridge
- approximately span 58.5m &
  7.1m wide
- Earthworks;
  - Bulk excavation & landscape bunds continue.
- Preparation for the AN22 footpath overbridge – Temporary diversion required Early 2024
- Piling will start spring 2024
- AN22 Footpath overbridge approximately span 28.5m and 6.8m wide



### Radstone

#### Radstone Rd 2023/24

- Radstone overbridge piling update:
- Complete all pile caps before Christmas.
- Early 2024 Structural backfill of pile caps, abutments and lower wingwalls
- Beam installation summer 2024
- Bulk excavation Continues

Radstone Overbridge approximately span 31.1m and 20m wide



### **Radstone Road Overbridge**



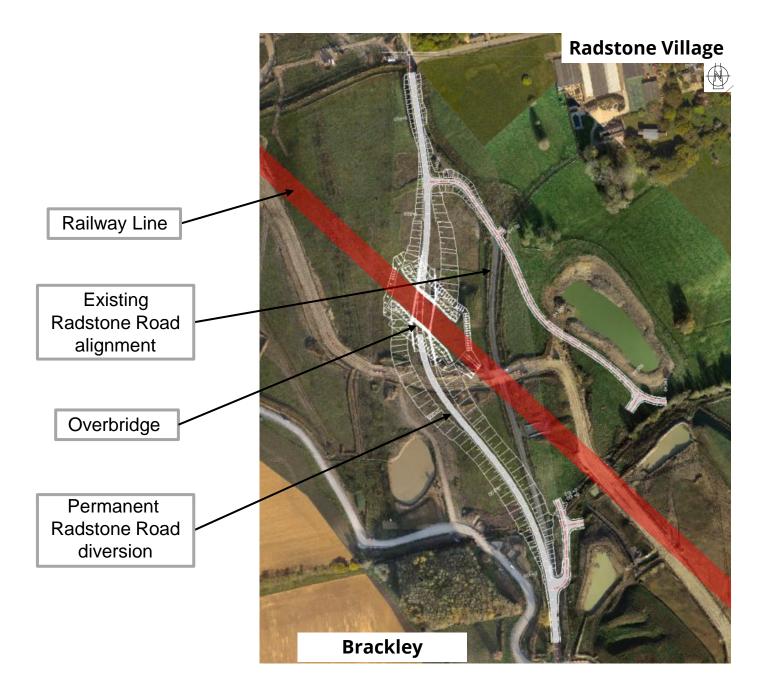
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Overbridge constructed offline and Radstone Road permanently diverted onto it

Reduce future road closures

Creates more space for construction off network



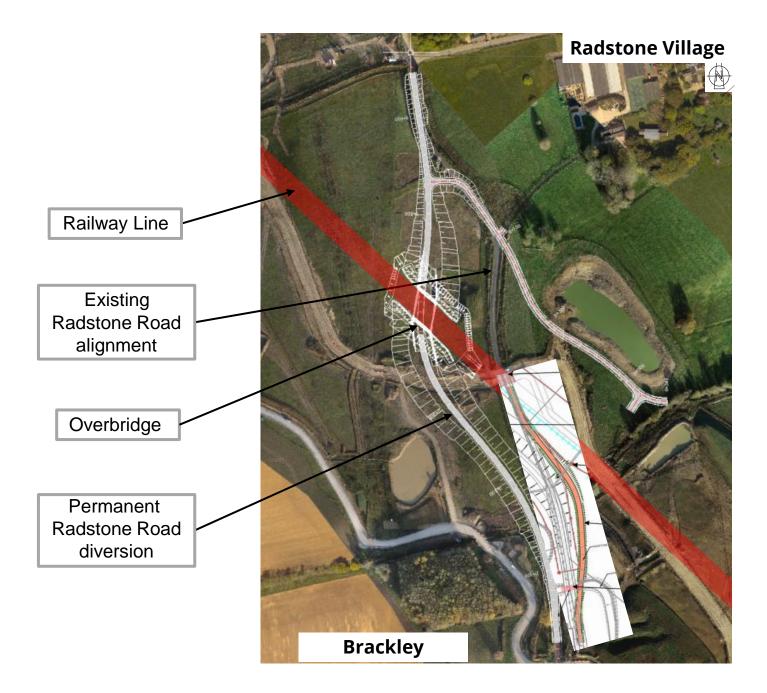
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### A43 Works Update



### A43 EKFB / National Highways Team



#### Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on **08081 434 434**

Twyford to Greatworth Autumn 2023

High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. You can sign up for regular updates in your local area at www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk.



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next drop in

We will be visiting

Egerton Hall in

the team!

event and meet

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#### Inside our autumn newsletter....

Our newsletters are an important tool used to update local communities on the progress of the HS2 project. This newsletter has been created specifically for the Twyford to Greatworth (T2G) construction area. located between Twyford in North Buckinghamshire and Greatworth in Northamptonshire. It includes the latest information on upcoming construction activities and expected timelines while also highlighting our efforts to support local communities.

In this addition of our newsletter, we will be looking at works coming up over the next few months and this will include:

- Works on the A43 near Brackley, constructing a temporary road diversion that will be opening at the end of this year
- Progress on the A421, A422 and A4421 overbridges
  Earthworks and crushing <u>activities</u>
- Construction of green overbridges with an update on the
- Turweston Green Overbridge • Updates on our ecology surveys and mitigation measures
- between Twyford and Greatworth
- Community investment updates in Brackley and Twyford

Brackley to give an update on our <u>works</u> in the local area.

Thursday, 2 November 10.30am -2.30pm

Egerton Hall, Juno Cres, Brackley NN13 6GN

Details of all upcoming events are listed on the HS2 Events webpage





#### Best Collaboration Awards 2023 A43 EKFB & National Highways



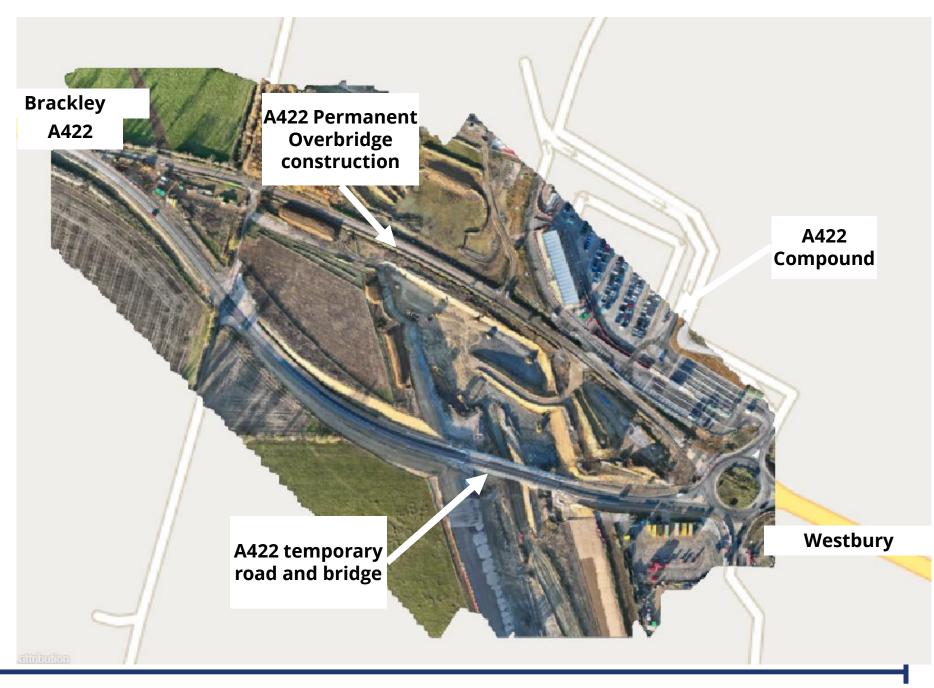
### A43 to Turweston

- Earthworks; Progress on the cutting and Turweston embankment.
- Winter water management.
- Temporary diversion Great River Ouse diversion is complete.
- Piling starting mid-December
  - 30 piles in total
  - 31 to 45 m depth
  - Complete by spring 2024.



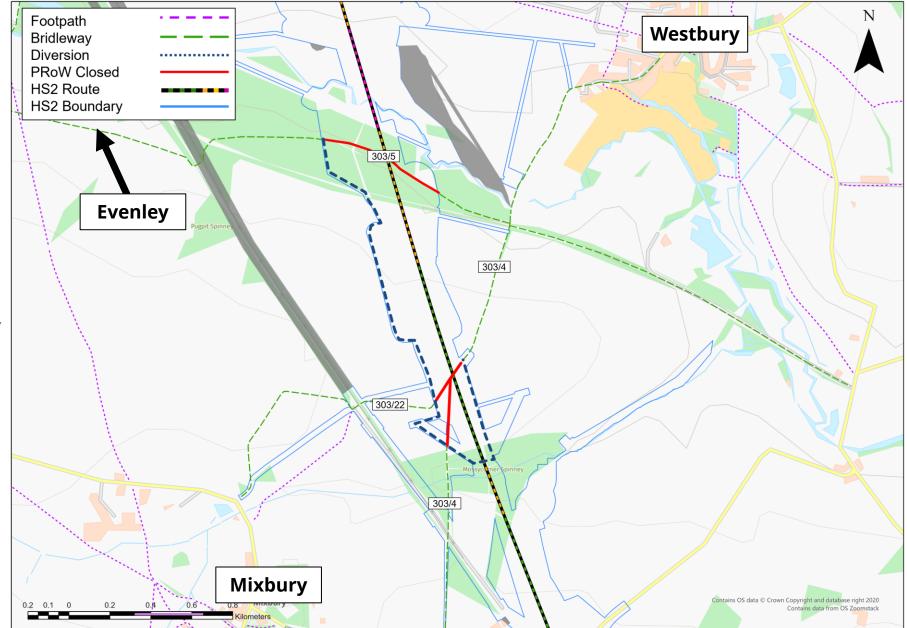
### A422 Current Activity

- Construction of the A422 temporary bridge is complete.
- Piling starts early 2024
- Beams being installed winter 2024
- All works can be carried out offline, now the temporary road is in place.



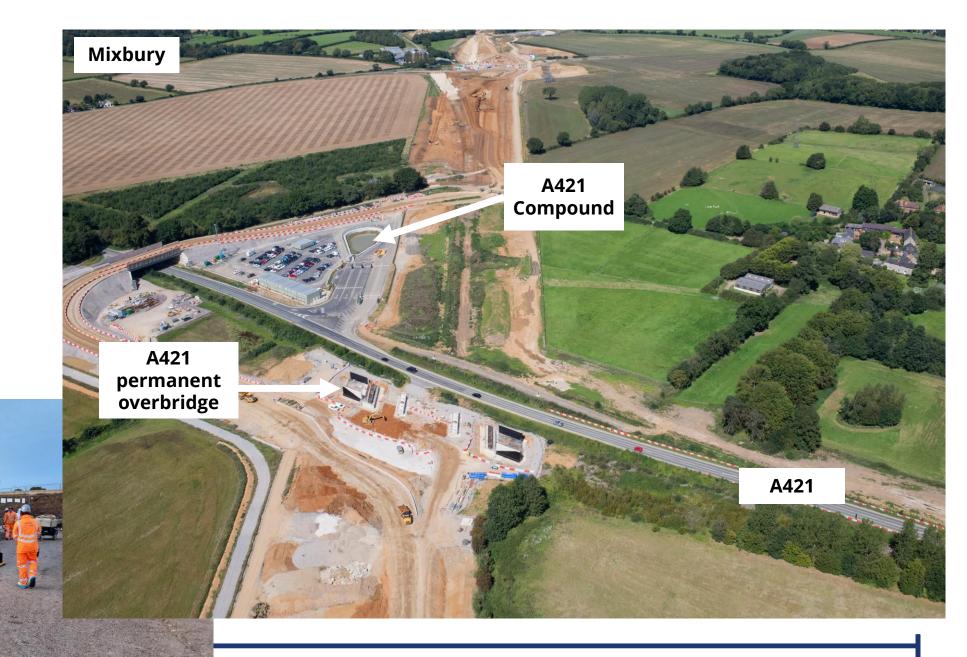
### Footpaths Current Activity

- Westbury 'circular ride'
- Bridleway 303/5 will need to close
   8 January 2024 to allow the construction of the Westbury Viaduct.
- We will provide a diversion route using the existing 303/4 bridleway crossing and construct a temporary route to the west of the HS2 line.
- The bridleway known as 303/4 crosses the route of the HS2 railway.



### A421 Current Activity

- A421 overbridge
  - Completing wingwalls
  - Abutments
  - Crane platform
  - Steel beam installation early 2024



### **Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team**



You can contact our HS2 Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on: Freephone **08081 434 434** Minicom **08081 456 472** Email **hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk** 



### **HS2 Enquiries & Complaints**

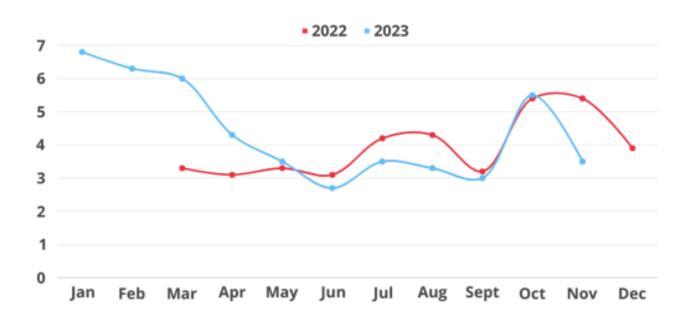
Themes

1. Lighting

2. Traffic

#### Performance

- 1. Response Times
- 2. Urgent Response Times





This year's average response time: 4.4 days Urgent Cases (97) resolved in 2 days: 100%

### **Christmas Shutdown**

Last Working Day

Friday 22<sup>rd</sup> December

**Return to Work** 

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January





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