

# HS2 Bulletin

## Winter Bulletin 2018

### Village first in the queue for HS2 cash

A small village in South Warwickshire is the first parish to receive a funding grant from HS2 which will benefit community life.

The successful £75,000 bid jointly from Wormleighton Parochial Church Council (PCC) and Wormleighton Parish Meeting for HS2 Community and Environment Fund (CEF) money will pay for kitchen and toilet facilities to be installed at the village church which will open it up for wider secular community use.

Fund managers Groundwork announced that a total of £245,000 has been allocated to community projects along the HS2 route to date, with Wormleighton receiving the single largest sum and a third of the total awarded in the first round of grants.

St Peter's Church is the only building in Wormleighton with capacity for larger events where people can get together socially. It currently does not have basic facilities for visitors. The bid been a joint team effort by the PCC led by Isabella Moore and Irvin Klegerman, Chair of the Parish Meeting.

**More information available at the Groundwork website:**

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### Extra HS2 funding for safer roads

Warwickshire County Council has welcomed the confirmation of extra funding to deal with road safety issues around HS2-affected highways.



The Department for Transport (DfT) has announced that £30 million will be allocated to towns and villages along the HS2 route to help improve road and cycle safety and off-set disruption caused by the railway.

Warwickshire will receive an allocation of £8 million to be spent on schemes by the end of 2026. The funding can be used for traffic calming measures, safer pedestrian crossings or safer junctions for cyclists, pedestrians and drivers.

There are stringent DfT guidelines in place for local authorities to consider which schemes will be applicable to receive the funding. Authorities must also ensure that improvement schemes leave a lasting legacy of road safety.

**More information can be found here:**

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## Prestigious award given to HS2 councils

Warwickshire County Council is part of a consortium of 15 local councils along the route of HS2 which has scooped an award for its work on reducing noise

The group, HS2LANC, was the winner of the Noise Abatement Society John Connell Local Authority Award, presented by Thérèse Coffey MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Defra.



## Phase 2a update

The hybrid bill to build Phase 2a of HS2 from Birmingham to Crewe has received a Second Reading in the House of Commons.

MPs debated the principle and the need for the scheme which will proceed to Select Committee stage, due to begin in the spring.

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## HS2 Residents Commissioner

In the latest report, HS2 Residents' Commissioner Deborah Fazen sets out her activity since her last report in March 2017, and recommendations for improvements in the future.

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## HS2 design ambitions

A series of documents have been published as part of HS2's ambition to ensure the scheme is well designed.

HS2's objective is 'to design and deliver an integrated system which fulfils the requirements of the sponsor, stakeholders and the internal HS2 transport programme.'

It is intended that the HS2 Design Vision will be incorporated into design delivery strategies, project requirements and design ambitions to ensure quality of output.

### Further reading:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/570604/HS2-IDP-Case\\_Study\\_1-Bridge\\_Design\\_Requirements-Web.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/570604/HS2-IDP-Case_Study_1-Bridge_Design_Requirements-Web.pdf)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-design-panel-newsletters>

# Phase 2B News

HS2 Ltd has published its policy documents covering property compensation and environmental surveys for Phase 2b.

More detail on the Phase 2b scheme is expected later in the year. The target date for depositing a bill in Parliament to build the Birmingham to Leeds section is late 2019.

## Property compensation

Summaries of the current property compensation schemes available to land and property owners affected by HS2 have been produced.

The schemes include Express Purchase, Rural Support Zone, Need to Sell, Rent Back and Homeowner Payment.

## Guidance

**More information can be found here:**

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## Property zones map

**More information can be found here:**

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## Environmental Surveys

HS2 Ltd has published a non-technical guide to explain its approach to carrying out surveys to provide a baseline of the current environmental conditions.

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**High Speed Two (HS2) is the Government's proposal for a high speed north-south railway. The proposal is being taken forward by HS2 in two phases.**

**The focus of Warwickshire County Council's role on HS2 is to scrutinise the implications of the scheme and develop protection and mitigation for communities around planning, highways, traffic and transport, public rights of way, historic environment and ecology.**

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