



# HS2 Northants Liaison Group Meeting

26 September 2025

# EKFB Overall Progress

We're 63% of the way through our programme



**Earthworks**



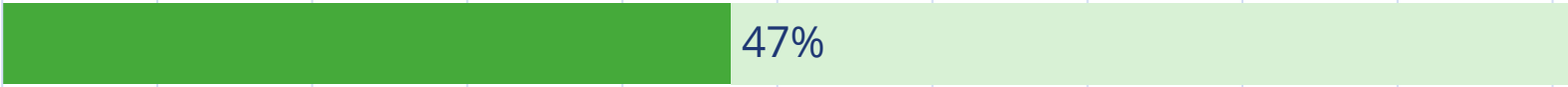
**Concrete**



**Concrete Viaducts**



**Green Tunnels**



0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

% complete

# Reset

Mark Wild was appointed as CEO of HS2 in December 2024. Mark is a rail infrastructure expert, who was brought in to put Crossrail on a successful path to opening in 2022. He is now reviewing HS2's costs and schedule as part of a 12-month reset of the programme. He carried out a similar process as chief executive of Crossrail, helping to put the project back on track and deliver a successful opening of the Elizabeth line in 2022.

## **Reset timings**

The reset is comprised of a series of stages and will be completed in 2026. HS2 Ltd is not standing still during the reset. This year, we are implementing a rigorous plan to focus on driving productivity and efficiency.

## **The Spending Review**

The multi-year financial settlement as set out in the Government's Spending Review – announced in June, provides greater certainty to the delivery of HS2 and lays the foundations for the reset.

The Spending Review document confirms HS2 Ltd.'s settlement as £25.3bn to progress the delivery of HS2 from Birmingham Curzon Street to London Euston. This multi-year financial settlement gives greater certainty to the delivery of HS2 and provides the foundations for the comprehensive reset of the project.

## **Future updates**

We shall continue to provide you with updates on the reset and what this means in terms of our plans in this area.



HS2 CEO; Sir Mark Wild OBE

# A421 Overbridge

New bridge over the HS2 line to take the A421.

Structure substantially completed, work taking place to the highway and utilities taking place.

Next road closure:

Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 October.

Followed by a weekend road closure in November to complete works:

28<sup>th</sup> November – 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Traffic lights will remain as they focus on the north verge and Warren farm junction.



# A422

New bridge over the HS2 line to take the A421.

Structure under construction  
parapet installation is the next key activity and due to start in December

Weekend road closures planned to prepare for tie in with highway:

10-13 October

17-20 October

Open to traffic Spring 2026





Turweston viaduct – Deck to start early 2026



A43 overbridge. Deck pour complete and parapet installation to start end of September. Road closure expected March 2026

# A43 progress

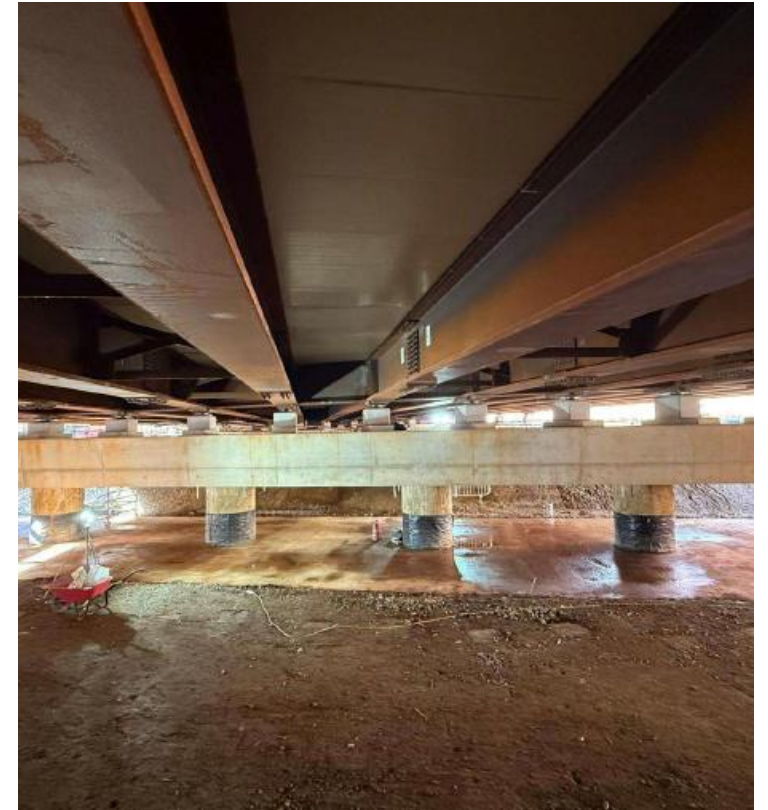
Concrete deck complete



Below deck, clearance starts



Below deck, clear gallery



# Radstone Rd

Radstone road overbridge structure is significantly complete. Highway work taking place:

Six week road closure planned;  
3<sup>rd</sup> November till 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Following this the road will open to public over the new bridge.



# Radstone to Greatworth structures

Greatworth Fields  
December 2025



AN37 – Accommodation  
overbridge by Angelic Studio  
Spring 2026



AN22 Footpath overbridge  
by Halse Copse  
Summer 2026



# Greatworth Green Tunnel

Installation, waterproofing and backfill continuing.

Segments installed: approx. 900m of 2.7km installed

Starting installation on the South front (Helmdon Road) from Winter 2025.



# Greatworth Temporary Road

Phase two expected to open winter  
2025/6

Nighttime lane closures for utilities  
works from 6 to 24 October



# Sulgrave to Edgcote area

Additional land required for soil storage from green tunnel excavations.

Site visit with Sulgrave residents



# Lower Thorpe Viaduct



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Successful viaduct launch in late June.  
Deck construction now underway

Banbury Lane:

Next road closure, November &  
December. Approx 10 days over four  
weeks to pour deck over road.



# Edgcote Viaduct

Beam installation almost complete, 42 installed of 56 – 6 beams to go

Deck installation is underway and will continue over the winter

Road re-grading taking place this winter

Culworth Road due to close spring 2026



# Chipping Warden green tunnel

Porus portal installation at Chipping Warden Green Tunnel by Aston le Walls.

Segments installed approx. 2km of 2.5km on both fronts.

A361 road realignment over tunnel to open Monday 6 October





New A361

Old A361

A361 road realignment

# Highfurlong area earthworks

In the section from Greatworth to Southam we have completed 1.7million cubic meters of earthworks cut and fill this year.



# Claydon Road overbridge

Bridge and highway complete and road opened to the public on 26 August.



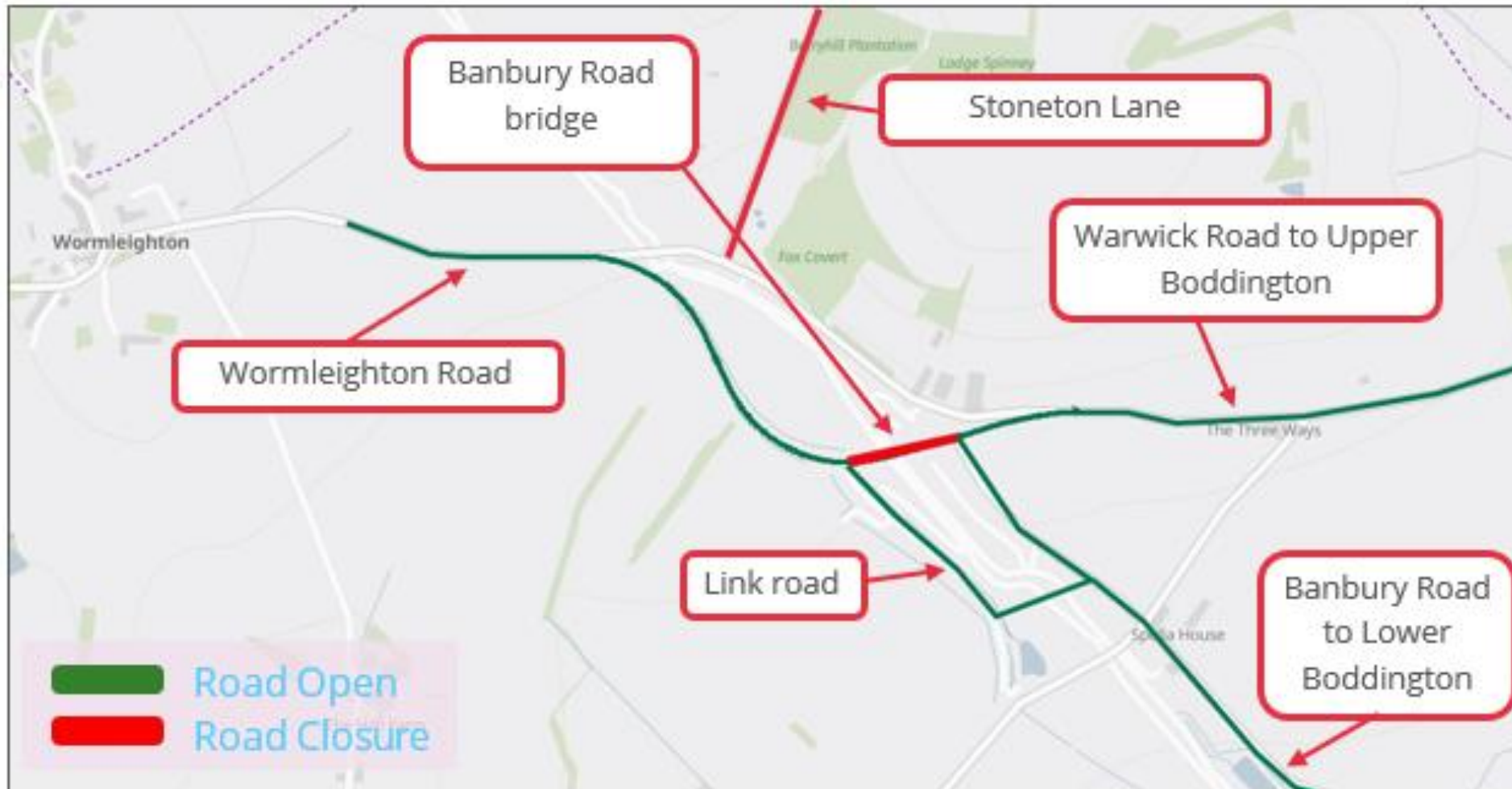
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# Boddington area

Traffic will cross the construction area via a link road, south of the Banbury Road bridge. Stoneton Lane remains closed for Stoneton Lane green bridge construction. Short section of Claydon Road (past Spella House) has traffic measures to reduce strain on road before repairs.



# A423 Southam bypass

New bypass on A423 between  
Ladbroke and Southam opened on  
Thursday 18 September.



# Engagement events

- 10 Sept: RIBA site visit Greatworth
- 11 Sept: Whitfield site visit
- 17 Sept: Sulgrave site visit Greatworth
- 18 Sept: Waddington drop in
- 28 Sept: Syresham 1<sup>st</sup> Aid training
  
- 1 Oct: WNC site visit Greatworth
- 22 Oct: Greatworth event
  
- 12 Nov: Meet the team in Brackley



# Community support



Mud kitchen at Greatworth school



Event support Chacombe



Syresham First Aid training



Fossils donated to Oxford Museum



Painting at Northants food larder



Med in sheds Brackley



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