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DISCOVER EUSTON



HS2 RAIL FREIGHT PROGRAMME TO REMOVE 10,000 LORRIES FROM EUSTON ROADS

Up to 170,000 tonnes of excavated material will be transported by train, reducing construction traffic around Euston and across London.

Fewer lorries on local roads is one of the benefits of a new phase of HS2's rail freight programme at Euston, which will see excavated material transported by train rather than road.

HS2's station construction partner, Mace Dragados joint venture (MDJV), is now digging down around eight metres to prepare the site for the new platforms. Up to 170,000 tonnes of material is expected to be removed by rail.

A new loading facility alongside disused Track 17 at Euston station allows the material to be transferred directly onto trains.

It will then travel to Forders Sidings in Bedfordshire, where it will be reused as part of the Stewartby Brickworks development.

The programme is expected to avoid more than 10,000 heavy goods vehicle (HGV) movements on roads around Euston and through London.

The latest phase builds on successful trials between February and September 2026, when around 35,000 tonnes of excavated material was transported by rail, avoiding approximately 2,000 HGV movements on local roads.

Over the next 10 months, a further 135,000 tonnes is expected to be moved during the main excavation programme, with up to two trains operating each day.

Each train can carry around 715 tonnes of material – equivalent to approximately 45 lorry loads.

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The trials also showed that each train could carry more material than originally expected, meaning fewer train journeys are needed to transport the same overall volume.

Transporting material by rail also has environmental benefits, producing up to 76% fewer carbon dioxide emissions than road freight when moving the same weight of material over the same distance.

Making better use of the railway

The Euston programme is part of HS2's wider effort to make better use of the existing railway during construction.

Freight trains have delivered materials to construction sites in Buckinghamshire and Birmingham, transported tunnel segments to West Ruislip and Willesden, and carried millions of tonnes of excavated material away from the Old Oak Common site.

Each train operating from Euston will comprise two locomotives and up to 12 wagons, allowing large quantities of material to be moved efficiently.

Disused Track 17 is expected to remain available until early 2029. HS2 will continue working with the Euston Delivery Company and other partners to explore opportunities to use the facility to support construction across the wider Euston campus.

LENDLEASE CONSULTATION UPDATE

Over the past few months, local residents, businesses and community organisations have been sharing their views on the Euston Masterplan.

The Masterplan covers around 60 acres of land around the station and will deliver new homes, workspace, shops, community facilities and public spaces.

Our first public consultation took place in July and August 2026, with public drop-in events, meetings with community organisations and an online survey. More than 130 people attended our drop-in events, over 100 people participated in community meetings and presentations, and we received 95 survey responses. We reached thousands more online and by distributing information locally.

Throughout the consultation, people shared their views on a range of topics, including green and public spaces, new homes and workspaces, building heights and character, local connections and the benefits the Masterplan could bring to existing communities.

The project team has been reviewing this feedback alongside ongoing design and technical work, helping to identify local priorities and areas for further consideration as the proposals develop.

Continuing the conversation

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to get involved so far.



Building on the summer consultation, we are continuing the conversation through a series of community workshops, bringing together local residents and community representatives to explore aspects of the Masterplan in more detail.

We expect to return with further public consultation in early 2027, providing another opportunity for local residents, businesses and community organisations to see how the proposals are developing, ask questions and share their views.

To find out more about what we heard during the first phase of consultation, read our consultation summary report at **eustonlondon.co.uk/consultation**, where you can also sign up for future updates.

DISCOVER EUSTON with mace DRAGADOS

MINIMISING OUR IMPACT

Delivering major infrastructure in the heart of a busy city inevitably presents challenges.

We recognise that construction activity in Euston affects residents, businesses, commuters, and visitors, and we remain committed to minimising these impacts wherever possible while safely delivering work to support the future HS2 station and the wider area.

Our approach is built around a simple principle: delivering responsibly. This means carefully planning works, listening to stakeholder feedback, and taking proactive steps to reduce disruption to those who live, work, and travel through Euston.

Planning ahead to reduce disruption

Minimising impacts starts long before work begins on site. Our teams work closely with local authorities, transport providers, utility companies, businesses and community representatives to coordinate activities and identify opportunities to reduce disruption.

Through early planning and collaboration, we seek to optimise construction programmes, coordinate works with other organisations, and ensure that access to homes, businesses, and key routes is maintained.

Managing construction impacts

We continuously review our construction methods to reduce potential impacts on the surrounding community. Measures include:

- Using noise reduction controls, such as acoustic barriers and noise blankets
- Implementing dust suppression measures and maintaining high environmental standards
- Monitoring noise, vibration and air quality to ensure compliance with project requirements
- Carefully managing vehicle movements and traffic arrangements to maintain safe access for all
- Scheduling activities to minimise disruption where operationally possible

These measures are part of our commitment to responsible construction and continuous improvement.

Keeping communities informed

Clear and timely communication is essential in helping communities prepare for upcoming activities.

We provide advance notice of significant works, share regular updates through community channels, and host engagement events where stakeholders can speak directly with project representatives. Feedback received from residents, businesses, and local organisations plays an important role in helping us understand concerns and identify opportunities to improve our approach.

Our teams regularly use this feedback to inform planning and decision-making across the programme.

Helping businesses and communities

We recognise the importance of maintaining access and connectivity for local businesses throughout construction. We work with stakeholders to understand operational requirements and develop practical solutions that help businesses continue to operate effectively during construction activity.

By maintaining open dialogue and responding to concerns, we aim to minimise disruption while supporting the long-term regeneration benefits that the programme will bring to the local area.

Working to improve

As the programme progresses, we remain focused on finding new ways to reduce our impact on the communities around us. Through careful planning, proactive engagement, and responsible construction practices, we are committed to balancing the delivery of critical infrastructure with the needs of those affected by our works.

Together, we are building for the future while working hard to minimise impacts today.

Keeping in touch

Each month, MDJV hold virtual and in-person meetings to provide updates on works in the area.

The in-person meetings are held every second Thursday between 5pm and 7pm at the Euston Community Hub on North Gower Street, no appointment is necessary, please just drop by.

For virtual meetings you can book a 20-minute slot by emailing us at **enquiries@macedragados.com** or searching online for '**MDJV Euston Virtual Drop-ins**'.

DISCOVER EUSTON with mace DRAGADOS

WORK UPDATES: STATION WORK SITES

Mace Dragados Joint Venture (MDJV) continues to carry out critical preparatory work to support delivery of the future Euston station, including utility diversions and site preparation. For more updates, search online for 'HS2 in Camden'.

1. Eversholt Street

Major utility diversion works and sewer connections will continue on Eversholt Street until summer 2028, and will include lane and bus stop closures, temporary suspension of parking and loading bays, work on the road surface, excavations and temporary work sites.

Pedestrian access to Euston station and nearby properties will be maintained at all times. We will keep residents and businesses updated via advance notification letters with details of all traffic management arrangements and programme dates.

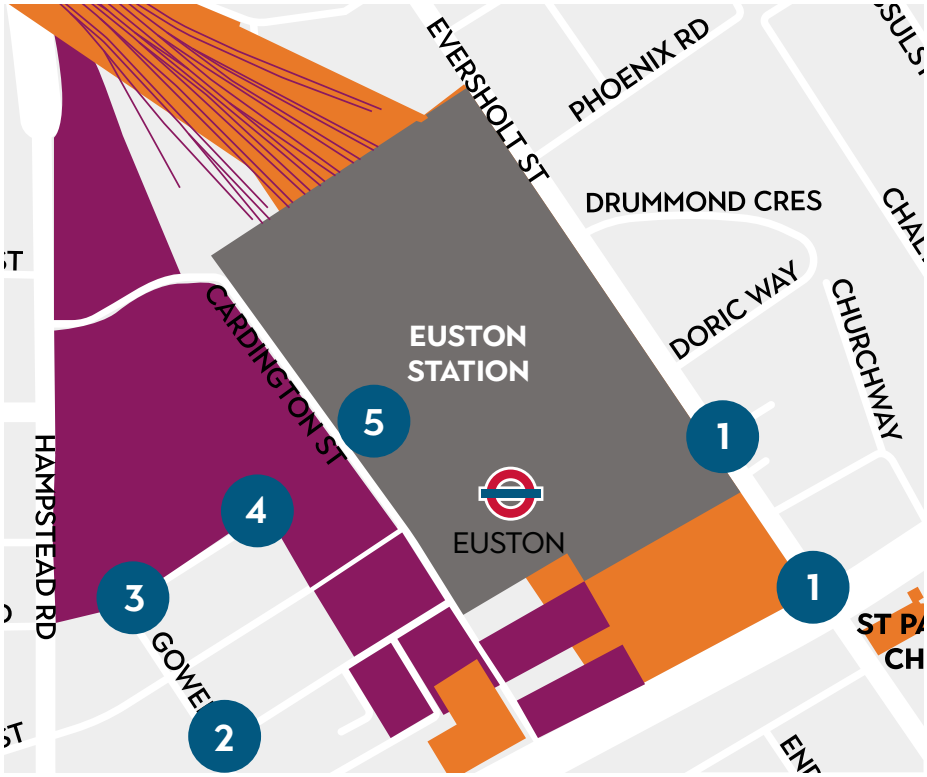
2. Euston Street and North Gower Street Water Works

Utility diversion works are now complete and sewer reprofiling works are underway — these are due to be finished by May 2027.

Over this period there will be road closures affecting North Gower Street and Euston Street, temporary work sites and temporary suspensions of some parking and loading bays.

There will also be temporary changes to pedestrian routes, but there will always be access to Drummond Street, Euston Street, Cobourg Street and Euston station.

We recognise that these works may be disruptive to people living and working nearby. There may be periods of increased noise, particularly during excavation and concrete works. We will work to keep disruption to a minimum.



3. Former Maria Fidelis

The internal renovation of the school is now completed and the project staff are working from the buiding. We expect the external landscaping works around the school to be completed by January 2027.

The ongoing work means that there will be some suspension of parking bays and some pedestrian traffic management on the northern pedestrianised section of North Gower Street until the landscaping is completed.

4. Vehicle Haul Road

Construction of the new vehicle haul road is progressing well, with drainage installation underway.

To minimise disruption, the road will be built in phases. Phase 1 will connect Hampstead Road to Drummond Street, while Phase 2 will extend from Euston Street to Melton Street behind the site hoardings.

5. Materials by rail

Earlier this year, MDJV successfully trialled the transportation of excavated material by rail. This is now fully operational and set to continue into 2027. Since August, MDJV have removed over 17,000 tonnes of material from site which has removed more than 1,000 lorries from local roads.

The material will be reused on projects across the UK, supporting sustainable construction practices.

DISCOVER EUSTON with SKANSKA COSTAIN STRABAG

WORK UPDATES: EUSTON APPROACHES

Skanska Costain STRABAG Joint Venture (SCSJV) are continuing utility diversion works on Hampstead Road ahead of the Hampstead Road bridge extension. Utility works are also ongoing in and around Parkway, as well as preparatory activities in the Camden Cutting, Euston Throat and Hampstead Road areas.

1. Parkway

SCSJV need to protect and divert utility services beneath Parkway junction and in the surrounding area before the tunnel boring machines pass under Parkway.

In September 2026, SCSJV began protective works to the Cadent Gas main on Parkway. This involves the modification of junctions around Parkway to reduce the traffic impacts before replacing sections of the existing gas main. These works will continue until spring 2027.

2. Camden Cutting

Ahead of major excavations beginning in 2027 in the Camden Cutting area of SCSJV's site, works are ongoing to reinforce and protect the Network Rail retaining wall. These works will continue until winter 2026.

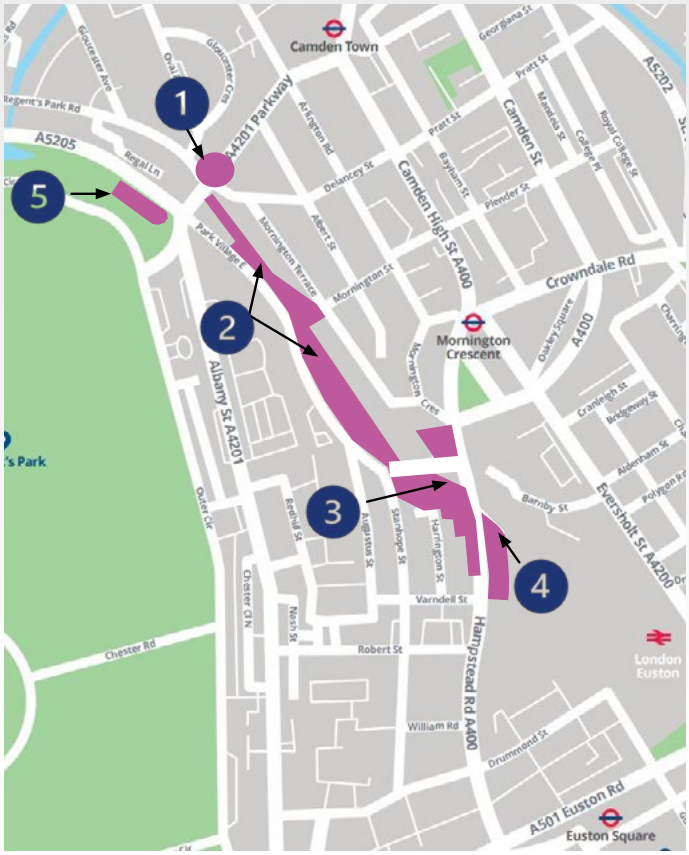
From spring 2027, SCSJV will carry out preparatory works in the Camden Cutting North worksite ahead of tunnelling. They will install:

- a conveyor system which will take excavated material from our tunnelling site to a collection point in Camden Cutting South
- a steel gantry structure with a three-storey welfare and office building on top of it. This building is for our tunnelling team, who will work mostly underground to build the Euston Approaches sprayed concrete lined tunnels (SCL)

SCSJV will start constructing the Euston Cavern Shaft in autumn 2027 in the Camden Cutting North worksite. They will excavate a deep shaft beneath track-level just south of 1 Park Village East.

SCSJV will carry out protective works to Mornington Street bridge before the start of their tunnelling and major excavations programme. From autumn 2027, SCSJV will close the bridge to vehicles for around five years to carry out this work. The duration of this closure may change depending on when tunnelling works are finished.

SCSJV will maintain pedestrian and cycle access during the closure of the Mornington Street bridge.



SCSJV are continuing works at track-level to build the foundations and other support structures in the Euston Scissor Box.

In early 2027, SCSJV will install two lorry lay-bys in the Camden Cutting South area between Mornington Street bridge and Granby Terrace bridge at the southern end of Park Village East.

The lay-bys will be used for deliveries and collections to and from the worksite. The lorry lay-bys will remain in place for the remainder of the SCSJV works.

3. Euston Throat

SCSJV have completed works to remove the Network Rail wall in the Euston Throat area. In October 2026, SCSJV began installing piles to support the structures they are building within the Euston Throat railway cutting worksite. These works will continue until spring 2027.

4. Preparatory works in Zone 5 on Hampstead Road

SCSJV need to extend Hampstead Road bridge to pass over the newly excavated and extended railway cutting. They will build a temporary road to the east of Hampstead Road, over the area known as Zone 5 to maintain uninterrupted traffic flow on Hampstead Road while works are completed.

SCSJV have started preparatory works in Zone 5 to enable the extension of Hampstead Road bridge. They will now begin installing sheet piles throughout Zone 5 to support the temporary road, which will be in place for approximately two years.

During the construction of the temporary road and the extension of the bridge, SCSJV will need to fully close Hampstead Road on three occasions, with each closure lasting approximately four weeks. The first closure is currently planned for January 2027.

SCSJV have started engaging with businesses, local residents and the wider community ahead of these closures. SCSJV are currently looking at ways to reduce the road closure period in 2027 and will provide updates on this as plans progress.

5. Vehicle Holding Area (VHA)

The vehicle holding area will be in operation until major construction works are complete. This avoids lorries queueing in streets near worksites.

Euston Approaches text service

SCSJV have launched a new SMS messaging service within the Euston Approaches to share information on planned works, changes or delays to works, and extended working outside of core working hours. Each text message will contain a short summary of the key information and a link to the full update on the HS2 website.

Should you wish to receive SMS updates please complete a short online form which can be found here **https://forms.office.com/e/U35Yjvy1ed** or using the QR code above, by providing your name, contact number and street name. You will be able to unsubscribe at any time by following the link provided in each SMS.

YOUNG RESIDENTS CREATE SUSTAINABLE OUTDOOR SEATING FOR THE REGENT'S PARK ESTATE

Young people on Regent's Park Estate came together to design and build new benches for their local neighbourhood, through workshops organised by Camden Council and led by Fitzrovia Youth in Action, LDA Design and architects Matt + Fiona.



The benches reuse materials from Reflect Pavilion, a play and performance sculpture that was installed in a temporary green space created by HS2 on Hampstead Road. HS2 and construction partner Mace Dragados carefully dismantled and stored the pavilion so its materials could be transformed into the new benches.

The benches will be installed later this year at three locations as part of Camden Council's Regent's Park Estate open space improvement project. This project has given young residents a hands-on role in shaping their area and creating lasting outdoor seating for the whole community to enjoy.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Funded by HS2 through the Euston Community Fund, Pro Touch SA CIC has been delivering a programme of free holiday activities for children at the Euston Community Hub.

The 2026 summer holiday programme was particularly impactful, bringing children and young people together through a wide range of engaging activities designed to encourage participation, build confidence and create lasting memories.

The programme provided a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment where participants could remain active, develop new skills and enjoy positive experiences during the school holidays.

"We are incredibly proud of the positive impact this programme has had on local children, young people and families. Through the support of HS2 and the Euston Community Fund, we have been able to provide free, accessible activities that help young people stay active, build confidence, develop new friendships and create lasting memories during the school holidays."
Mus Turay, Pro Touch SA CIC



MEN'S GROUP TACKLES ISOLATION AND BOOSTS WELLBEING

Funded by HS2 through the Euston Community Fund via Mind in Camden, the programme focuses on improving both physical and mental health while reducing social isolation among local residents.

The Men's Group at the Euston Community Hub continues to be a valued space where local residents come together in a friendly, supportive and welcoming environment.

Through a wide range of activities, conversations and shared experiences, the group helps men stay active, connected and engaged within their local community.

"The Men's Group has become a fantastic example of how community-based activities can improve wellbeing and reduce isolation. It is wonderful to see participants building meaningful friendships, supporting one another and engaging in activities that benefit both their physical and mental health. We are proud to support a programme that is making such a positive difference in the Euston community." **Viv Fongenie, Mind in Camden**



SIP, SIGN BSL & PAINT

Community Activators CIC is bringing creativity, learning and connection together through its popular Sip, Sign BSL & Paint sessions at the Euston Community Hub.



Held once a month, these relaxed and welcoming workshops provide local residents with the opportunity to learn British Sign Language (BSL), explore their creative talents through painting and connect with others in a friendly and inclusive environment.

Designed to promote both physical and mental wellbeing while reducing social isolation, the sessions create a safe and supportive space where participants can meet new people, learn valuable communication skills and express themselves creatively and take home their own artwork.

"Sip, Sign BSL & Paint is about much more than learning new skills or creating artwork. It provides a welcoming space where people can come together, build confidence, make new connections and support their wellbeing. It is wonderful to see participants learning British Sign Language, expressing their creativity and forming friendships that continue beyond the sessions."
Nazma Begum, Community Activators CIC

HS2 RESET AND THE EUSTON DELIVERY COMPANY

Established by the Department for Transport (DfT) on 1 April 2026, the primary role of the Euston Delivery Company (EDC) is to lead, integrate and deliver a modern, safe, and revitalised transport gateway and support wider development at Euston.

The EDC brings together the different partners, including HS2 Ltd, Network Rail, Transport for London, the Greater London Authority, Camden Council and Lendlease - working to bring forward proposals for:

1. A new HS2 station — A new high-speed rail station and London terminus for HS2.
2. Euston Station improvements — Redevelopment of the existing train station and major upgrades to the underground station.
3. The Euston Masterplan — A 60-acre development around the new HS2 station and redeveloped Euston station led by Lendlease and The Crown Estate through a joint venture. Proposals include new homes, business and innovation floorspace, shops, restaurants, community space and public open space.

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