



RAILWAY NEIGHBOUR

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Dear Neighbour

Railway Upgrade Plan – Next phase of work around Bristol Parkway station

As you may be aware, we are currently working to modernise and electrify the Great Western Main Line, as part of our Railway Upgrade Plan.

Work near Bristol Parkway station

As part of this programme, we need to carry out essential work in and around Bristol Parkway station to prepare it for the new fleet of electric trains which will help meet the growing demand for rail travel.

The next phase of our work will be to:

- Stabilise the railway embankment next to the Filton line, known as the Filton East Curve
- Set up a compound at the Ashfield Land site, off Hunts Ground Road.
- Carry out repairs and track work at Bristol Road/Hatchet Road bridge.

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What does the work involve?

We will be using a process called soil nailing, which involves installing reinforced bars into the embankment and grouting them into place.

When will the work take place?

The embankment work is due to start in April 2017 and finish in August 2017. Most of the work will take place during the daytime between 0800 and 1900. However, due to the constraints of the location, we will need to carry out some work at night. We will write again to those living closest to the line with further details before the work begins.

How will we access the railway?

We will be using a compound at New Road to gain access to the railway throughout the work. There will be a materials storage area, a small welfare cabin and room for one vehicle. The workforce will be taken by bus to the compound from our main compound off Hunts Ground Road. Deliveries of materials will be made during the day using vans.

The New Road compound is due to be in use for occasional deliveries and to allow intermittent access to the railway from **02 March 2017**, and is due to be fully operational from **27 March 2017** until **17 November 2017**. We may also need to use the compound on Saturday nights during **March 2017** to **August 2017**.

Ashfield Land site, off Hunts Ground Road

Our main compound for the electrification work in the area will be at the Ashfield Land site, off Hunts Ground Road, which will be used to store materials, provide parking and welfare facilities for staff. We are currently setting up the compound, which we expect to be in use until February 2018.

Bristol Road/Hatchet Road bridge

The brick arch structure of Bristol Road Bridge, also known as Hatchet Road bridge, will undergo repairs and reinforcement works as well as track level works. This work is planned from **June 2017 – August 2017**, and will involve three road closures on **Saturday nights**, from approximately **2200** to **0700**. The dates are yet to be confirmed and we will write to those living nearest to the work closer to the time.

How will we manage the impact on our neighbours?

We recognise that construction work on the railway can be disruptive to those living or working nearby. The nature of our work often means some disturbance is unavoidable, but please be assured that every effort is made to minimise any unnecessary noise and we have reminded all staff and contractors to be considerate of the environment they are working in.

How can I find out more?

We are holding a drop-in session for local residents, when members of our project team will be on hand to answer questions and explain our planned work in more detail.

Date: Tuesday, 14 March 2017

Venue: The Old School Rooms, The Green, Stoke Gifford, Bristol, BS34 8PD

Time: 16.30 to 19.30hrs

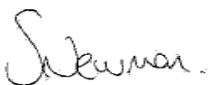
Contact Us

I hope this information is helpful and we apologise for any inconvenience these essential works may cause. However, if you have any additional questions or concerns about the work taking place in your area please call our dedicated 24-hour National Helpline on: **03457 11 41 41**, quoting reference **Great Western Route Modernisation**.

Please be advised we will be updating our website throughout the works.

<http://www.networkrail.co.uk/great-western-route-modernisation/south-gloucestershire/>

Yours faithfully,



Sarah Newman – Community Relations Executive