

2. A4010 / A4129 improvements

The Promoter and the Council have engaged extensively on the issue of the A4010 and A4129 HS2 construction routes. The Promoter recognises your concerns regarding the impact of HS2 construction traffic on these roads and the communities on the routes. I understand that this is a concern shared by Wycombe District Council, Princes Risborough Town Council, West Wycombe and Braddenham Parish Council, and local communities. The Promoter is therefore willing to offer the following assurance:

Definitions for the purposes of this assurance:

- *"HS2 Construction Routes" means routes that are subject to an application for lorry routing approval under Schedule 16 to the Bill.*
1. *The Secretary of State will, following Royal Assent:*
 - a) *make a contribution of £480,000 (index-linked) to be applied exclusively on the provision and maintenance by the Council of permanent safety measures along the A4010 and A4129 where these are to be used as HS2 Construction Routes in Buckinghamshire; and*
 - b) *require the nominated undertaker to liaise with the highway authority in relation to the timing and implementation by the Council and reasonableness of those permanent safety measures so as to maintain the free flow of traffic (including that of HS2 construction related traffic) along the A4010 and A4129 in Buckinghamshire.*
 2. *In the event that the Bill gets Royal Assent but HS2 is not then proceeded with, Buckinghamshire County Council will repay the funds, plus interest accrued, but less reasonable expenditure already incurred, to the nominated undertaker.*