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# HS2 - Britain's new high speed railway

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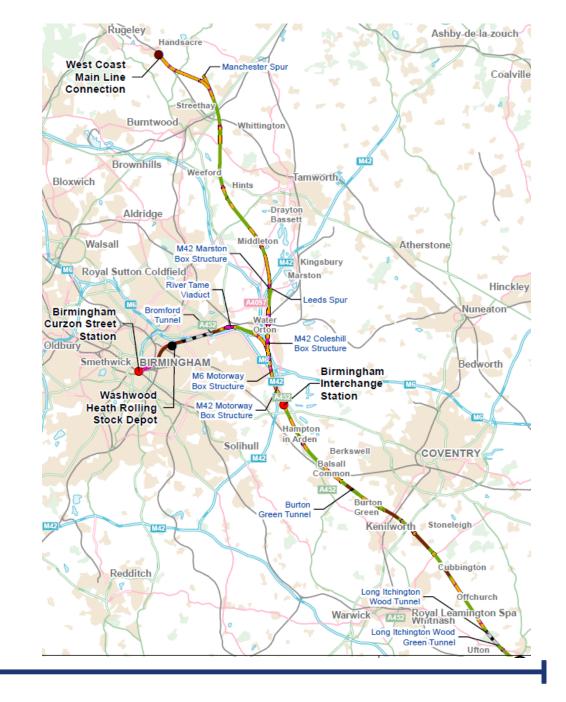
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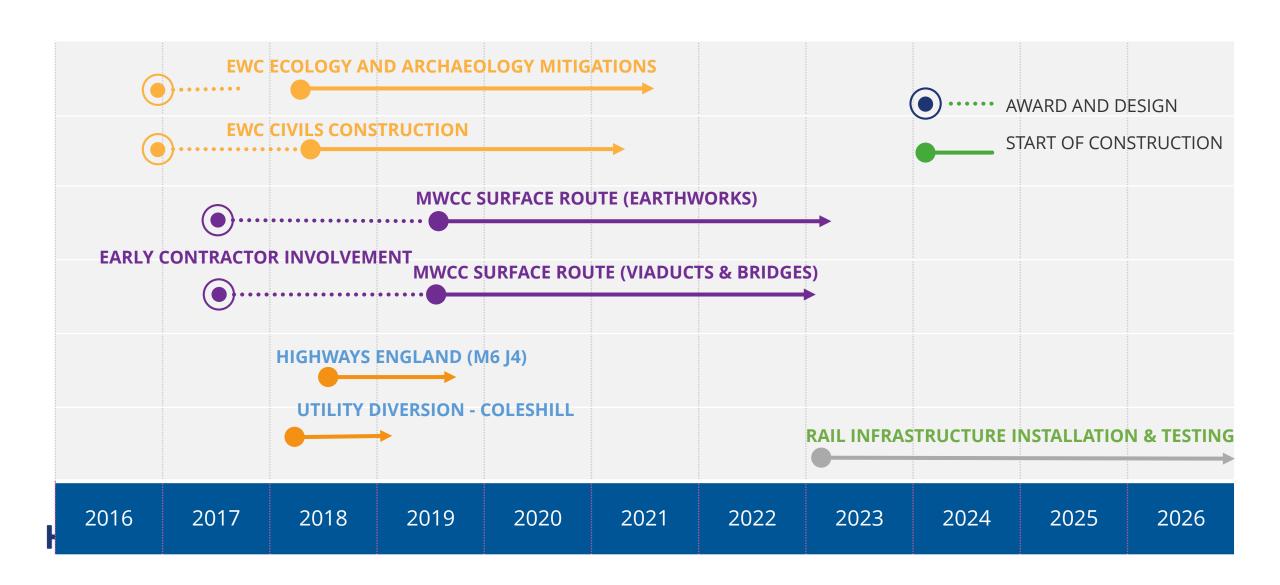
### What is BBV?

- 50:50 JV between BB Group and VINCI, formed in 2011
- Working together on Crossrail and the Smart Motorways programme
- Tours-Bordeaux completed early and recently opened – a new 300km high speed line
- Supported by Mott MacDonald SYSTRA as 50:50 Design JV

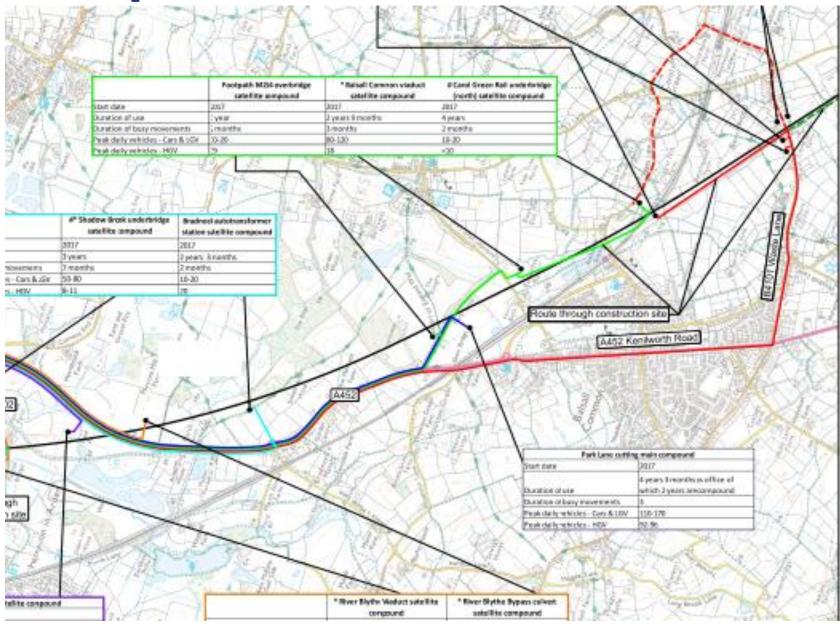


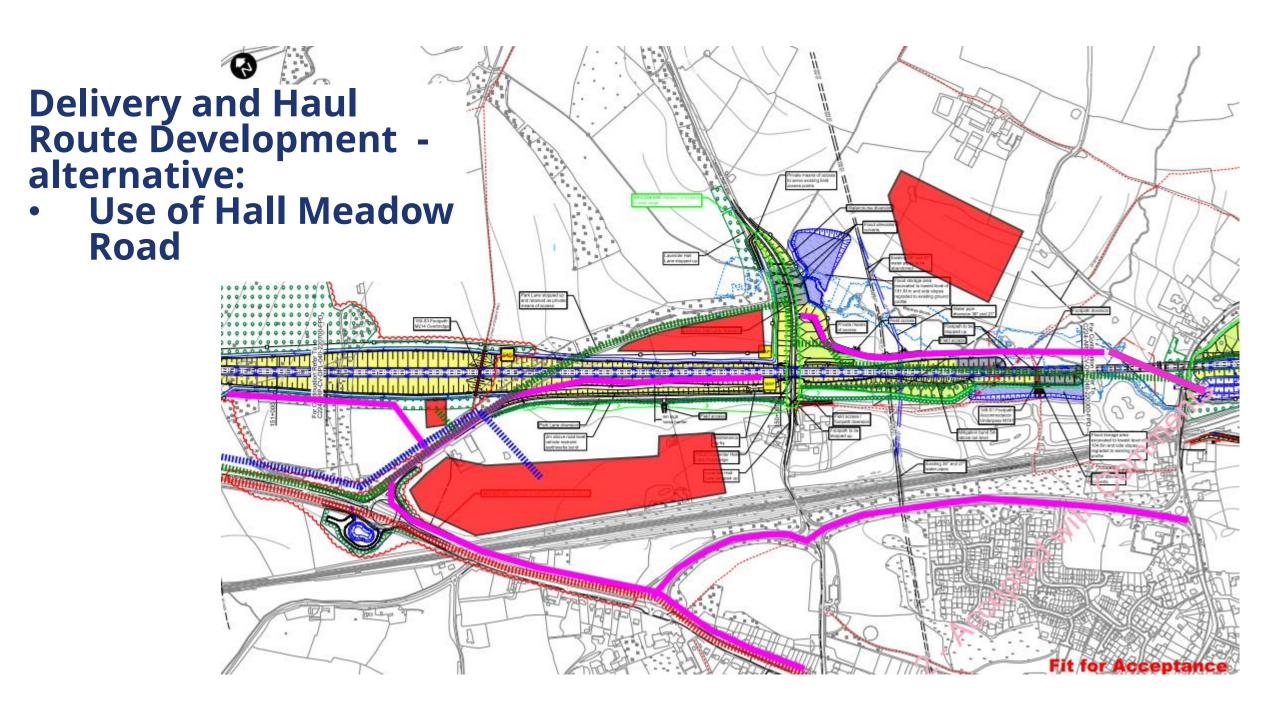
### **High Level Programme of Works**





# 2. Haul Route Proposal





# **Haul Route Proposal**

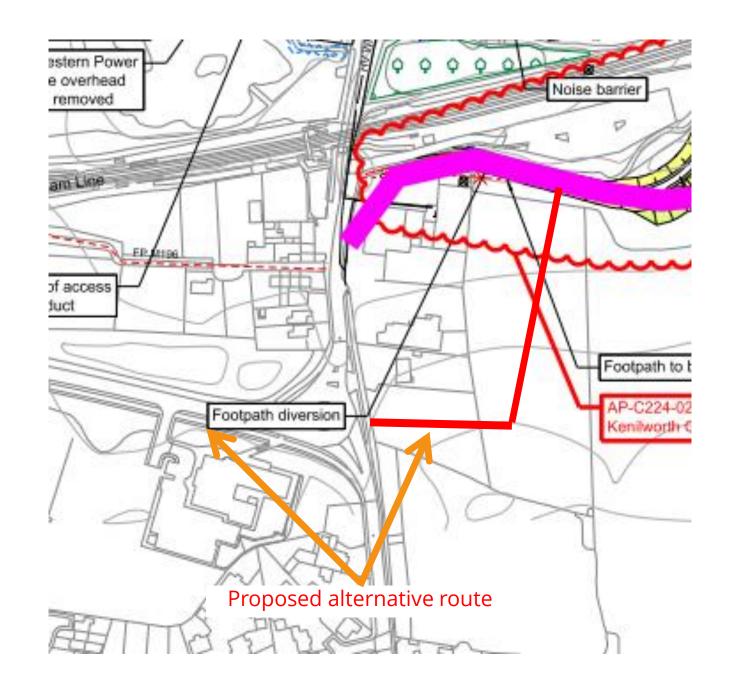
- Design in development
- The proposal is outside Act powers
- A change proposal to be submitted to HS2
  - Land owner agreement
  - Planning application early 2019

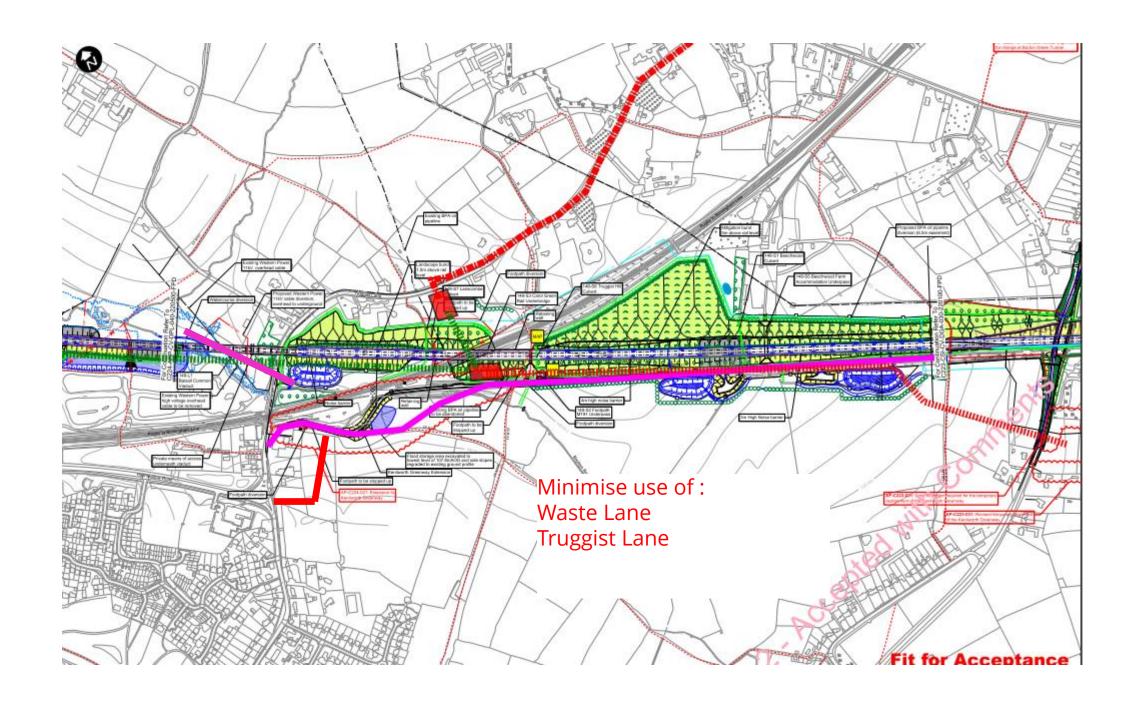
# **Delivery and Haul Route Development - alternative:**

- Use of Hall Meadow Road
- Link from roundabout to run behind garage and British Legion
- Additional car parking
- Pedestrian access to station

#### Traffic volumes:

- Work in process Period of use: mid/late 2019 to mid 2023
- Peak: 350/400 HGV

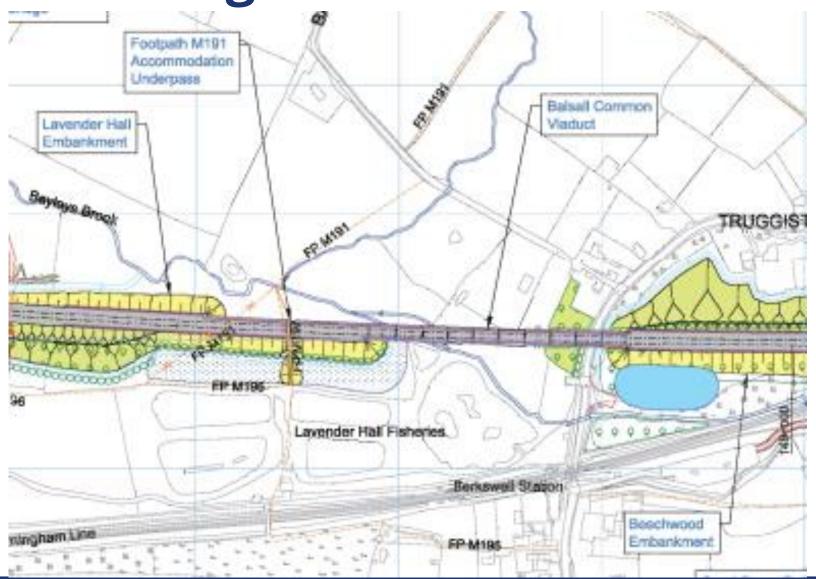




# 3.Berkswell proposal for alternative haul route

- Temporary bridge across Bayleys Brook
  - Environmental restrictions
  - Volume of movements within permitted area
- Accommodation Bridge across WCML un-suitable
  - Condition
  - Size and capacity
  - Programme impact
- Temporary bridge over WCML
  - Network Rail requirements
  - Programme impact

4. Viaduct Design









Residential

Commercial / Industrial

Water

Green Space

Ancient Woodland

----- Alignment

Carriageway

Existing Rail

---- Footpath







### **Balsall Common**

#### **Key Drivers for Landscape Integration**



#### Heritage and culture

- Conservation and enhancement of historic landscape features at Berkswell House and Berkswell Hall;
- Conserve the setting of Lavender Hall (Grade II\*) through earthwork design and planting to reflect the copses and spinneys found locally.



#### Water

 Continuity and enhancement of wetland features on both sides of the viaduct, including realignment of Bayleys Brook and flood compensation areas to reflect the habitat found around the fishing lakes.



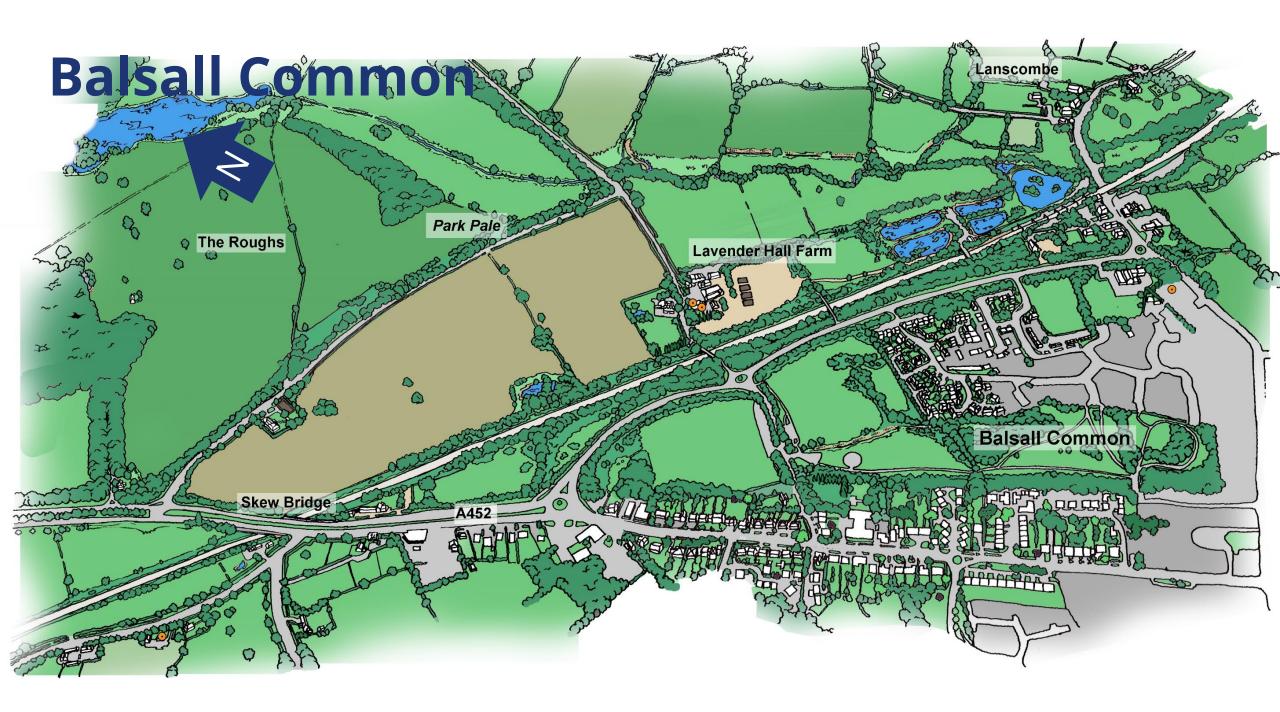
#### Ecology

Promote linkages on either side of the viaduct using the grain of the retained landscape and the realigned Brook.



#### Landscape interfaces with buildings and structures

- Conservation and enhancement of intimate field boundaries with their clipped hedgerows and protection of characteristic mature oaks combined with earthworks which respond to the local topography;
- Consideration of the solid to void ratio of the viaduct structure to minimise solidity of the deck and noise barriers when viewed from the surrounding landscape.

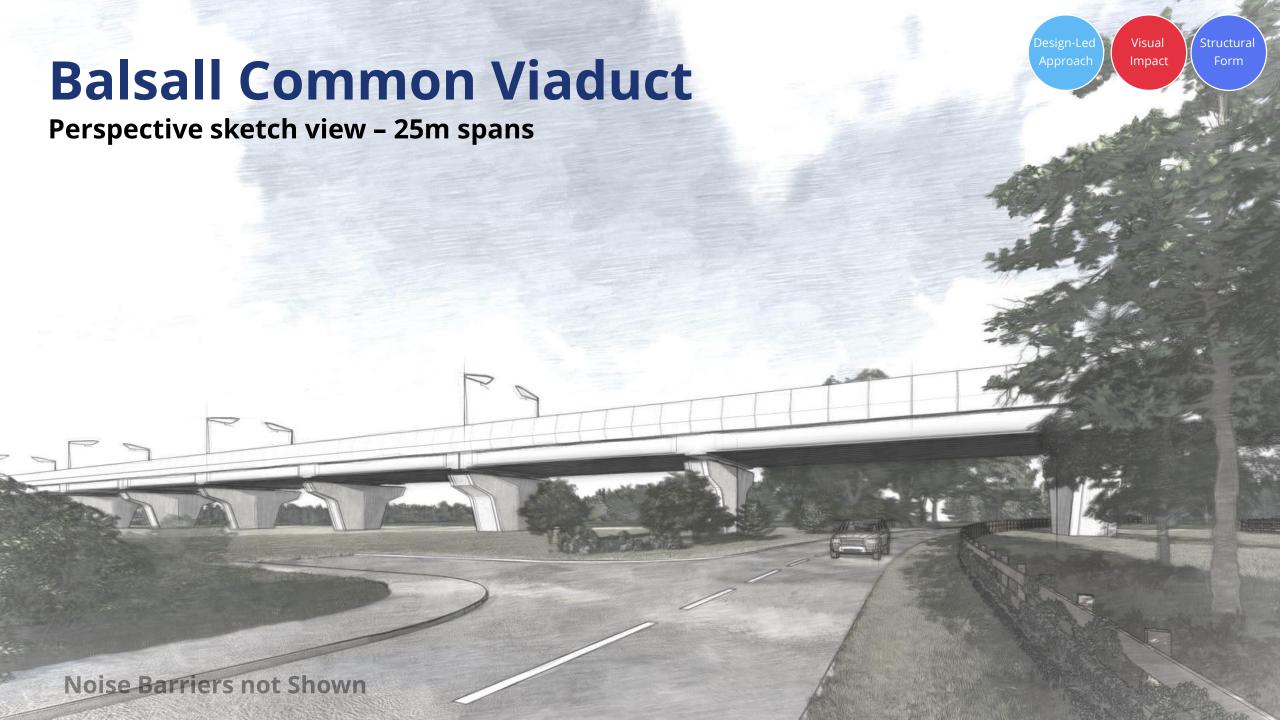




# **Existing Context**













### **Balsall Common**

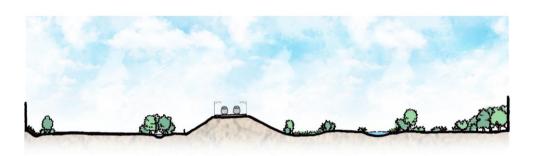
**Landscape Integration at Abutments Refinement studies** 





### **Structure in context - Sections**







# 4. Viaduct Design

- Key Design Element
  - Engagement exhibitions
- Noise barrier design
  - Noise modelling
  - Design developing
  - Durability and asset life requirements
- Gantry design
  - Not in Balfour Beatty Vinci scope
  - Track systems

# **Key Design Elements – Public Engagement**

#### **Balsall Common Viaduct**

#### What are we planning?

- To run a series of focussed, public exhibitions to inform the local community of emerging Key Design Element (KDE) designs
- To involve local residents and stakeholders in the KDE design process
- To give local residents the opportunity to respond to KDE designs in a structured way through a feedback questionnaire



# 5. Cutting Plans

Cutting plan in development and is informed by the Assurance.

Compliance plan to satisfy the assurance will support the work.

# Questions?

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