

BRENT CROSS WEST STATION

PROJECT UPDATE



The Brent Cross West rail programme will support the wider regeneration of the Brent Cross Cricklewood Area with the development of a brand new station and accessible public transport links in your neighbourhood. The new Brent Cross West station is due to open in May 2022, connecting Brent Cross to central London in under 15 minutes.

The project will also see the creation of replacement sidings, a drivers' accommodation centre, a waste transfer station and a rail freight facility. This project is being carried out on behalf of the London Borough of Barnet.

Keep up to date with the project and find an update to date schedule of works at any time at barnet.gov.uk/brentcrossthameslink

PROJECT PROGRESS

Work on site is progressing well with nearly 40% of the sidings and 70% of the train drivers' compound now complete.

The sidings are due to be substantially complete by the end of this year before the process of activating them begins and they are fully handed over as part of the rail network in early 2021. The drivers' compound (below) will be substantially completed in October this year. Meanwhile work to construct an access road and permanent fuelling station for the trains will commence in November and be completed around May 2020.

Over on the west side of the line, our waste transfer station project is progressing; piling

for the new building is due to start shortly, with completion planned for winter next year.

Work, which may cause some disturbance to residents over the autumn, is the installation of an extended route to a Network Rail maintenance storage area near the new drivers' accommodation building. This work will be mainly taking place during the day time. However, whilst contractors are trying to minimise it, some work also needs to be undertaken at night time. All of our work is carefully monitored to ensure it adheres to our planning consents.



WE'VE LISTENED

Brent Cross West station will be used by thousands of people a day, up to 2.5 million per year. Designing a new station offers a real opportunity to produce a facility which will meet everyone's needs, and Brent Cross West will be one of the most advanced stations in the country when it comes to accessibility; that is in large part thanks to the feedback we've received from residents and rail users alike.

We've held six formal, and many more informal, consultations during the course of the development, including meeting with the Consultative Access Forum, a special group established by the Brent Cross Cricklewood development. This has helped our architects to come up with solutions that include step-free access from the street to platform, extra-large lifts, the provision of all-hours staffing, providing clear customer information systems and tactile paving. At Brent Cross West we are working with Network Rail to deliver the most accessible station possible.



AMEY STUDENT CHALLENGE

Win a work experience placement with Amey

Amey is involved in building the new railway sidings just north of Cricklewood railway station as part of the Brent Cross West project. The sidings will enable electric trains to be taken out of circulation at times of the day with less passenger demand. While parked here, they are cleaned ready for re-use. Building the new sidings involves the removal of old railway infrastructure and installing new track, overhead power lines, signals, lighting and CCTV.



CHALLENGE

We want you to suggest how you think we could minimise the environmental and social impact of building and operating a railway sidings in an urban setting. Your answer should also consider the economic aspect of the project.

HOW YOU CAN ENTER

Your entry can be in essay (no more than four A4 pages), Powerpoint, graphic or vlog form.

Send your entries to **CloseCallEM@amey.co.uk** by **Friday 27 September 2019**.

Please indicate your school, college or university year on the submission. Winning entries will be notified by 3 October 2019.

WHAT MAKES A GOOD ENTRY?

A clear and well thought out response with a summary of how you would solve the challenge. The judges will be looking for evidence-based decisions in your submission. Some helpful links:

www.barnet.gov.uk/regeneration/brent-cross-cricklewood/brent-cross-thameslink

www.brentcrosslondon.co.uk/About/History

www.supplychainschool.co.uk/uk/sustainability/construction/default.aspx

PRIZE

The winning entry will be offered an opportunity to undertake a work experience placement at Amey's Brent Cross Project in 2020. Details to be arranged.

STATE-OF-THE-ART ODOUR CONTROL

The new waste transfer station at Brent Cross will have a state-of-the-art odour control unit capable of removing all the odour produced by thousands of tonnes of waste.

The new waste facility currently being built on the junction of Geron Way with Edgware Road is designed to handle up to 195,000 tonnes of black bag, mixed recycling, food and street cleaning waste from several North London boroughs per year.

Waste sorting, while vital to meet our recycling targets, is understandably a concerning activity if you live or work nearby but our neighbours can rest assured they will not be smelling anything unpleasant. This waste station will be the first in the country to use a highly efficient carbon scrubbing system that gets rid of all those nasty sulphuric smells, as well as ultra violet light which breaks down and neutralises any remaining whiffs.

Odour removal rates of around 98-99% are often achieved with this combination so, together with the negative air pressure system that will run on the site, the odour will be completely removed.

Other ways we're making this building as sustainable as possible include:

- Green screening to form a wall of plants that will enhance local flora and improve air quality.
- A living roof to increase biodiversity and provide habitat for local species such as bumblebees and the black redstart.



PLANNING PROGRAMME UPDATE

Following our recent station consultation, we expect to submit the detailed planning application in September 2019.

A statutory consultation will then be held and, following this, elected Councillors on the Planning Committee will decide the application.

SEPTEMBER—NOVEMBER WORKS PROGRAMME LOOKAHEAD

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Day only														
Night only														
Day & Night														
Sidings														
Train driver accommodation (weekend works Sat only 8am-3pm)														
Waste transfer plant (weekend works Sat only 8am-1pm)														
Rail access route and retaining wall														
Piling, steelwork and sidings construction														
Drainage														
Demolish existing building and fuel farm														
Piling mat preparation														
Main construction including piling														
Construction (under permitted development)														

This programme is correct at the time of publishing. The latest programme can be found at barnet.gov.uk/brentcrosshameslink

COMMUNITY FOCUS CLITTERHOUSE FARM PROJECT

Main contractors working on programmes in proximity to residents and businesses want to be good neighbours and one way we can do this is by bringing some of our skills to community initiatives.

In 2013 a group of local residents set up the Clitterhouse Farm Project to secure the future of the Victorian farm outbuildings at the Clitterhouse Playing Fields, NW2. They started a transformation to create a vibrant and creative hub that supports the community and small businesses, and brings people together through arts, culture, heritage, food, and skill-sharing. In doing so, they are working with other local groups, schools, the London Borough of Barnet and the Brent Cross Cricklewood developers.

In the six years of operation, the Clitterhouse Farm Project has set up a small café, created a community hub and garden, and established a plant nursery. Now, following a successful crowdfunding and grant campaign that raised £100,000, they are ready to take the project to the next level as the old café structure is demolished to facilitate conversion of one of the outbuildings into a new café and work units.

Amey, the main contractor on the sidings for the new Brent Cross West project, is currently working with the project's Trustees to understand what assistance they can offer in terms of advice, skills, labour and machinery.



Matt Hibbert, Amey's project manager for the sidings, says "The Amey team has embraced the opportunity to help out with this great community initiative, and it is a frequent topic of conversation in the office. Bringing our professional skills to the Clitterhouse Farm Project helps ensure everyone's safety and mitigates the environmental challenges while allowing the job to be done in a timely manner, and that makes it a perfect fit for our community investment programme".

As well as working with Barnet Council planners and the project trustees to help schedule the works in line with planning conditions, Amey's onsite sustainability Advisor is also delivering an ecological briefing to the demolition team readying the site for the design-and-build contractor to begin the conversion in September – this will help to ensure the site team are aware of the neighbouring bat roost and the sensitivities of the working area.

The next Clitterhouse Farm Project community event is Celebrate Nature on 28 September, involving delicious food, music and an open air cinema night. Everyone is welcome. For more information, visit the Clitterhouse Farm project website: www.clitterhouse.com



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