

# **Consultation on HS2 Phase 2a property compensation and assistance proposals about to close**

## **HS2 Ltd.'s consultation on the Phase 2a property compensation and assistance proposals is about to close. Those who wish to respond have until and including Thursday 25th February to submit their views.**

Around 1,500 people attended the recent consultation events which ran along 37 miles of the route, between the West Midlands and Crewe, known as Phase 2a of HS2.

At the seven events, held between 14th and 29th January, the public spoke with property, environment and engineering specialists about the detail of the Government's proposals for compensation and assistance for property owners living along this part of the route.

HS2 Ltd.'s Head of community and stakeholder engagement for Phase Two, Stephen McFarlane said:

"These events gave people the opportunity to find out more about the Government's proposals for compensation and assistance for Phase 2a of HS2, between the West Midlands and Crewe.

"We were delighted with the attendance and the public's willingness to engage with us at the events. However, I'd like to encourage as many people as possible to have their voices heard through responding formally to this consultation."

Consultation on Phase 2a property compensation and assistance is not a statutory requirement but the Government views it as an important way of ensuring ongoing engagement on the scheme.

Over the coming months the responses to the consultation will be analysed independently and will help inform the Government's decision on introducing a comprehensive package of long-term assistance and compensation schemes for Phase 2a in Spring 2016.

To respond to this consultation please visit:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/hs2-phase-two-west-midlands-to-crewe-property-consultation-2015>

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