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24-hour National Helpline
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Our reference – SWB 94m 60ch to 111m 67ch

Safety-critical vegetation management

Dear neighbour,

We wanted to let you know that we will be working between Hullavington and Bristol Parkway Station to manage the trees and vegetation next to the railway.

When will this work take place?

We'll be working at night in the following locations as this is the safest time for us to be on track.

Saturday 14 to Sunday 15 June	11pm – 8am
Saturday 21 to Sunday 22 June	11pm – 8am
Monday 23 to Friday 27 June	11pm – 5am (overnight only)
Saturday 28 to Sunday 29 June	11pm – 8:30am
Saturday 5 to Sunday 6 July	11pm – 8am
Saturday 19 to Sunday 20 July	11pm – 8:30am
Saturday 26 to Sunday 27 July	11pm – 8:30am
Saturday 2 to Sunday 3 August	11pm – 8am
Monday 4 to Friday 8 August	11pm – 5am (overnight only)
Saturday 9 to Sunday 10 August	11pm – 8:30am

Please be aware that this work is always moving along the track and won't be present for an extended period in any one area.

What is involved in vegetation management?

We take the responsibility of keeping the railway safe while protecting the habitats on our land very seriously. Before any work begins, we complete ecological surveys to understand the environment and the local wildlife we may impact.



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Our tree and vegetation management team aims to only remove trees and vegetation necessary to keep the railway line safe, including trees affected by Ash dieback, while also supporting a healthy environment for wildlife.

We make sure our contractors comply with laws regarding protected species, including bats, nesting birds and dormice. If protected species are observed, we'll pause our work and consult an ecologist. We recognise the many benefits trees and vegetation have for biodiversity and, of course, our neighbours, but they can also pose a risk to the railway, which we need to manage.

Should we need to remove any trees that are on third party land, we'll contact the landowners directly.

Why do we need to undertake this work?

The safety of the public, travelling passengers and our staff is our number one priority. Please scan this QR code to find out more about how we manage vegetation safely. This work is often very noisy. We're aware that we are working close to your home and will try to minimise disruption as much as possible. We're sorry in advance if you are disturbed during these works.



Contact us

I hope this information is helpful, but if you have any questions, there are several ways to contact us, by calling our dedicated 24-hour National Helpline on **03457 11 41 41**, visiting www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus or scanning this QR code with your phone for more information about living by the railway.



Yours faithfully

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