

Hinkley Connection Project

Removing pylons – M5 overnight closure

The M5 will be closed overnight between junctions 19 and 21 from 10pm Saturday 4 September to 5am Sunday 5 September 2021.

In 2018 National Grid started to build a new 57 km high voltage electricity line to connect six million homes and businesses to new sources of low carbon energy and support the UK's ambitious net zero by 2050 target.

To make room for and reduce the visual impact of the new connection, National Grid is removing 67 kilometres of overhead line owned by Western Power Distribution (WPD). This work involves taking down two lines of WPD pylons and wires that cross over the M5.

To keep everyone safe when removing the first line of pylons and wires, the M5 will be closed overnight between junctions 19 and 21 from:

- 10pm Saturday 4 September to 5am Sunday 5 September 2021
- Local road closures on Caswell Hill and Caswell Lane will be in place at the same time.

Please note, if the removal cannot take place as planned, it will be rescheduled for 18/19 September.

For up to date timings, visit hinkleyconnection.co.uk/traffic-management/.

Balfour Beatty, the contractor for this work will use WPD's access routes to remove the pylons. Where the wires cross over roads, scaffolding is erected, and controlled lifting systems are used to lower and recover the wires before dismantling the pylons.

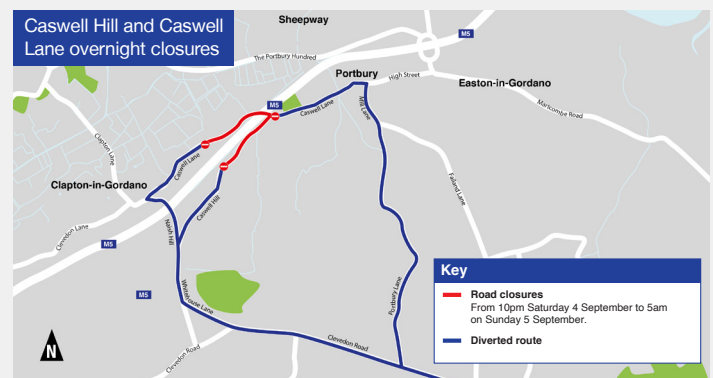
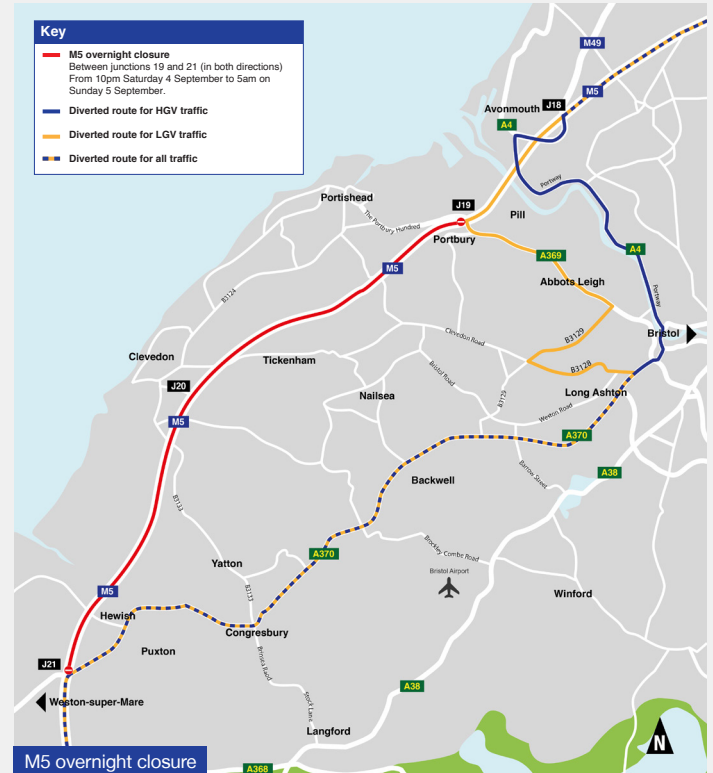
Work to remove the first line of pylons between Nailsea and Portishead will be complete by late October 2021.

The second line of pylons is expected to be taken down during 2023.

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Plan journeys ahead

These overnight closures have been coordinated with Highways England and North Somerset Highways to be in place during off-peak travel time.

Please plan your journey to allow for these temporary closures. The diversion routes above will be in place for all road users and will be clearly signposted.

We are sorry for the inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

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