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Dear neighbour,

Rebuilding the Portishead to Bristol railway

I'm getting in touch to let you know about our latest stage of work to rebuild the Portishead to Bristol railway, including new stations at Pill and Portishead.

Main construction is about to begin in Pill. The table below and the attached maps show upcoming work in your area but please note, dates are subject to change. The railway is due to open to passengers in late 2028/early 2029.

We'll keep you informed of subsequent work as the project progresses. Further traffic management will be needed from July. These could include temporary traffic controls, localised parking restrictions or pedestrian diversions. More detailed information on timing and location will be shared closer to the start of the work.

The nature of our work means some noise and extra traffic is unavoidable but we'll do everything we can to keep this to a minimum. We're very sorry for any inconvenience and appreciate your patience as we rebuild your railway.

For the latest updates, visit our Facebook page: facebook.com/portisheadline and sign up to our email newsletter. To get the most up-to-date information sent to your inbox, visit shorturl.at/MvVLv or scan this QR code with your mobile phone camera.



More information about the project can also be found at networkrail.co.uk/portisheadline.

Kind regards,

Niall Spencer
Senior sponsor, Network Rail



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Where and When?	
What is happening?	Dates and times of our work
Map Area: 1	
Demolition of Station House: We'll be demolishing the old Station House to create space for the new Pill station. Pavement closure and parking restrictions on Station Road. Traffic and access changes.	Tuesday 5 to Tuesday 26 May, Monday to Friday 7.30am to 5.30pm. Pavement closure and parking restrictions on Station Road from Monday 4 May 2026 to November 2027. Lane closure on Station Road from Monday 4 to Friday 15 May 2026. Temporary traffic lights in use. Section of New Road closed Monday 4 to Friday 15 May. Signed diversion in place.
Map Area 2	
Monmouth Road compound set-up: Installing site and welfare cabins for the compound to be used throughout the project.	Monday 13 April to Friday 22 May, Monday to Friday, 7.30am to 5.30pm.
Hardwick Cutting and Pill embankment: Excavation of railway embankment. Excavated soil will be transported to the Monmouth Road compound. Movements across the railway on weekends. Stockpiled material removed Monday to Friday.	Mid-May 2026 to end of October 2026. Weekday shifts from 7.30am to 5.30pm. Weekend shifts from 7.30am to 8.00pm.
Soil nailing: After the embankment is cut back, the slope will be stabilised by drilling steel rods into the embankment to reinforce the ground.	
Map Area 3	
Avon Road garages demolition: To create space for a new Avon Road bridge. Footpath behind the garages closed to allow for a safe working space for the demolition.	Demolition will take one week in June.
Closure of the footpath connecting Avon Road and Severn Road: Footpath closed for garages to be demolished and to allow safe movements of materials from site compound to work site.	The footpath will be closed from Wednesday 22 May 2026 for the duration of the project. An approved diversion route will be in place for each stage of project.
Map Area 4	
Lodway compound: A works compound will be established in the Lodway Farm area. Access from The Breaches for staff cars only - no construction traffic.	The compound will be set up between the end of May and end of August 2026. It will be in use until Spring 2028.



Station Road traffic management:

