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**24 hour National Helpline
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Dear Neighbour

Update: Filton Abbey Wood Station

As part of our Railway Upgrade Plan, we reopened the station footpath from Emma-Chris Way to Filton Abbey Wood station on 31 January 2018. We're sorry we weren't able to open the path sooner and would like to thank you for your patience. The pedestrian diversion through Nutfield Grove has now closed, and the site boundary and compound is currently being reworked for the second phase of construction.

Our Filton Bank Four Tracking project is doubling the number of tracks between Bristol Temple Meads and Filton Abbey Wood station.

This will enable an increase in passenger and freight train services, helping to meet growing demand. It will also reduce disruption to passengers caused by trackside maintenance and is crucial to support the introduction of a new post-2018 timetable.

Further excavation works are required to widen the rail corridor and install retaining walls ready for a new fourth platform. Additionally, piling work has been completed to retain the station footbridge. Soil anchors will be installed to stabilise the structure and make room for the new tracks between February and June 2018.

Now the temporary diversion is removed, concrete foundations will be cast south of the footbridge, with concrete wagons accessing via Nutfield Grove during off-peak hours (10:00-16:00) Monday-Friday. This work will be completed between February and May 2018, with a maximum of 10 wagons per week.

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A steel ramp will then be lifted into position parallel with the boundary to provide future access. We will also be extending the existing platforms 1-3 to accommodate longer trains. The platform end ramps will be demolished during overnight work when trains are not running, ready for the platform modifications. Once Platform 4 is constructed, track works will progress through the station in May 2018.

Once the new platform 4 is constructed, track works will progress through the extents of the station. These works are to be undertaken in May 2018 during 50 Hour weekend blockades, and include some noisy work.

When will the work take place?

Platform 4 construction work (February to June 2018)

We will be working Monday to Friday 08:00-18:00 and weekends 22:00-08:00. An engineering train will excavate material for removal from site on Saturday night (10 February). I am sorry for the late notice regarding this weekend.

Soil anchoring (February to June 2018)

During the soil anchoring works, we will continue to work alternate weekend shifts on Saturday and Sunday from 08:00-18:00.

Track and drainage works – on weekends when no trains are running

50 hours – 31 March 2018 to 2 April 2018 (day and night)

50 hours – 12 May 2018 to 14 May 2018 (day and night)

50 hours – 19 May 2018 to 21 May 2018 (day and night)

Platform 1-3 modifications (July to November 2018)

We will be working Monday to Friday 08:00-18:00 and when required at weekends, when no trains are running, from 22.00-08.00.

How will we manage the impact on our neighbours?

We recognise that construction work on the railway can be disruptive to those living or working nearby. The nature of our work often means some disturbance is unavoidable, but please be assured that every effort is made to minimise any unnecessary noise and we have reminded all staff and contractors to be considerate of the environment they are working in.

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Contact Us

I hope this information is helpful. However, if you have any additional questions or concerns about the work taking place in your area please call our dedicated 24-hour National Helpline on: **03457 11 41 41** or visit **www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus**

For further information: **<https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/western/great-western-mainline/south-gloucestershire/>**

Yours faithfully

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Community Relations Executive

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