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**Subject:** Works on the Operational Railway at Pill

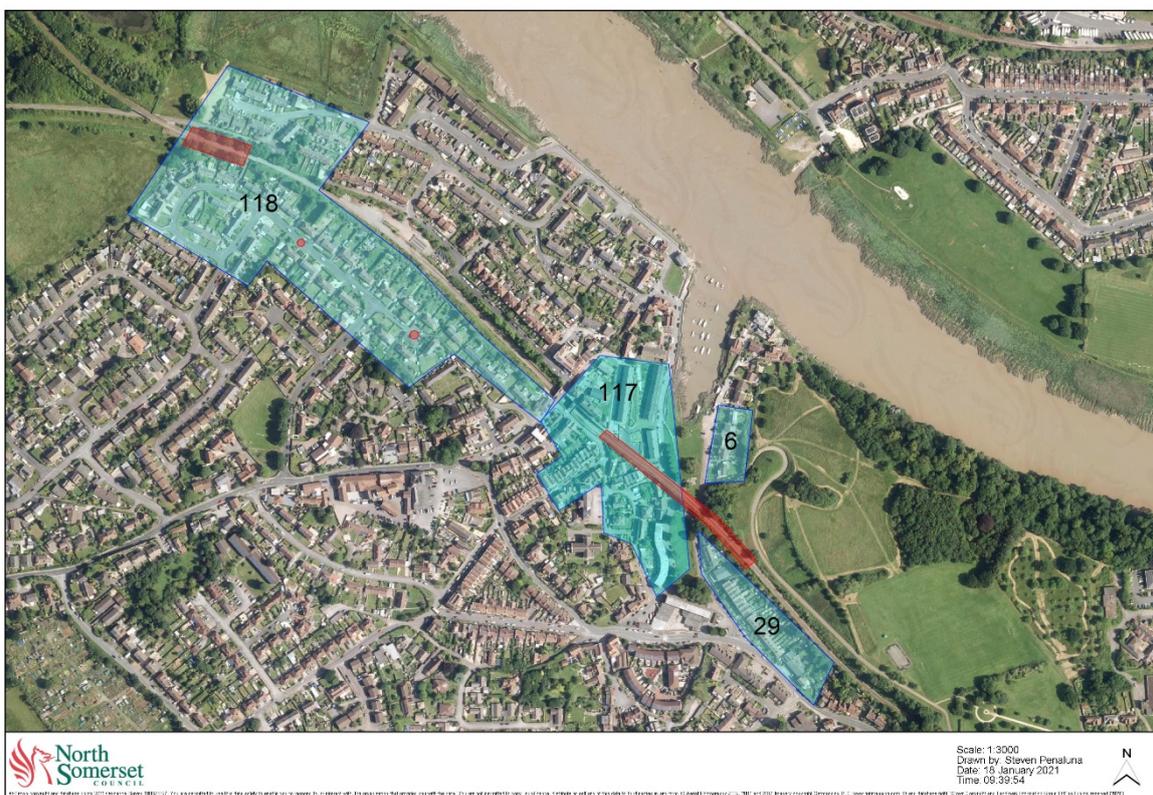
Dear Bart

I wish to inform you that Network Rail will be undertaking work on the operational railway at Pill from Weds 20<sup>th</sup> January through to late April. The nature of the works are set out in the attached letter. The works will only be undertaken during the day time and at times will create some noise.

The attached letter has been sent to:

- The NSC ward member
- The Pill & Easton-in Gordano Parish Council
- NSC LPA
- NSC Communications Team
- Approx 300 residents residing nearest to the works sites.

The letter was posted through letter boxes yesterday morning. The attached plan shows the households that have received the letter.



If you have any queries about this please let me know.

Regards

James

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For the attention of  
the Owner / Occupier

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1 Holbrook Way  
Swindon  
SN1 1BD

**Network Rail 24-hour  
National Helpline  
03457 11 41 41**

15 January 2021

**Our reference: POD 126m 0464y**

Dear neighbour,

### **Investigation work – Pill**

We wanted to let you know we will be working at Pill, around Severn Road, Monmouth Road, Hardwick Road, at the back of Mount Pleasant and on Pill viaduct to carry out ground and structural investigations on and around the railway.

To do this work, we will be using large, heavy machinery and power tools which will be noisy at times. We will also use lighting equipment when the natural daylight is not adequate.

Work will take place intermittently between **Wednesday 20 January** until **Sunday 25 April** in several locations, but we anticipate they won't take longer than one to two weeks in each area. The work will only take place during the daytime, no work will be undertaken at night-time. In line with working requirements, an ecologist will assess the areas beforehand and supervise the work to ensure any species aren't affected.

Please find below details of the planned shift dates but be aware these may change. Further surveys and investigations along the railway are also taking place outside of these dates but will not cause any disruption to local homes.

Additionally, we have included images of each working location, which we hope is helpful.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>	<b>Type of Work</b>
Wednesday 20 January to Friday 5 March	8:00am – 5:00pm, Mon to Fri only	Ground Investigation work
Sunday 24 January	8:00am – 6:00pm*	Ground Investigation work on the railway
Sunday 14 March to Sunday 25 April	8:00am – 5:00pm*, Sundays only	Ground Investigation work on the railway
Monday 22 March to Friday 23 April	8:00am – 5:00pm, Mon to Fri only	Structural Coring of Pill Viaduct

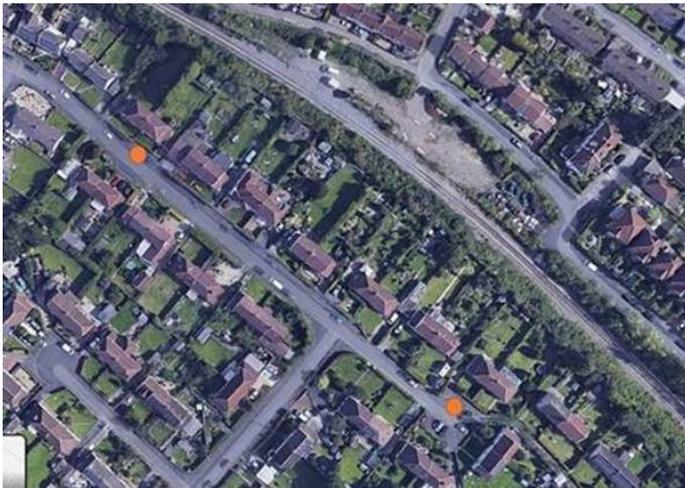
*If you are thinking about doing any work on or near the railway infrastructure, please contact us so we can provide expert advice and assistance*

***\*The work needs to be carried out when the trains are not operating so our teams can work safely.***

The red dots in the following images show where our weekday and weekend ground investigation work will take place at Watchhouse Hill (image 1) and Hardwick Road (image 2) Mount Pleasant (image 3) and Avon Road area (image 4).



**Watchhouse Hill Image 1**



**Hardwick Road Image 2**



**Mount Pleasant Image 3**

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**Avon Road Area Image 4**

As part of these works, we need to establish a partial closure of Hardwick Road. We will write separately to local residents to advise the dates for the closure and offer the opportunity to answer any questions or concerns. During the closure we will request that the areas outlined in red below can be left clear of vehicles, so that our teams can safely carry out work.



The coring and drilling work at Pill viaduct, will take place both on the track and the viaduct walls and will create noise but we will try to limit the noise where possible.



**Pill Viaduct**

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Our teams are aware they are working close to your home and will try to minimise disruption as much as possible, but we apologise in advance if you are disturbed during these works. We are taking all necessary precautions to keep each other safe and prevent the spread of Covid-19 by working within current Government guidelines.

If you have any questions about the work taking place, please call our 24-hour National Helpline on: 03457 11 41 41 or visit [www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus](http://www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus)

Yours faithfully,



**Nina Thompson**  
Community Relations Executive

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