



Project Programme

The Crossrail Act received Royal Assent on 22 July 2008 giving the powers to build the railway.

- Preparatory 'enabling works' such as utility diversions began in 2009 and will continue on each section of the works until main construction begins.
- Crossrail Ltd has been appointed by the Government to undertake the majority of the works and manage the whole programme. London Underground is responsible for some works at Tottenham Court Road and Bond Street. Network Rail will be undertaking the programme on the existing rail network.
- In May 2009 the construction of Crossrail officially began, commencing at Canary Wharf station, while the main construction programme will begin in 2010. Train services through the central section are planned to commence operation in 2018 and the full service is planned to be introduced over several months.
- The project has begun the process of detailed design during which a more thorough programme will be developed.
- Further information about the programme for works in each area will be communicated through community relations activity when it is available.

