

HADLEY WOOD'S TREEGATE CAMPAIGN



What is Treegate?

The unexpected “devegetation” work begun by Network Rail (NR) in late February 2018 to fell and remove trackside trees and shrubs.



This photo shows the impact of devegetation around the station in March 2018

Why?

To make the railway as resilient as possible to support the significant increase in rail traffic on the East Coast Main Line arising from [RailPlan 20/20](#).

So, what's the problem?

NR's environmental onslaught and installation of rotary spikes on the new railway fencing threaten to change the face of Hadley Wood. This is the same view taken at the station's step free entrance in October 2017 and March 2018:



October 2017



March 2018

Here's the latest news

Our two key community groups – **Hadley Wood Association (HWA)** and **Hadley Wood Rail User Group (HWRUG)** - met with a senior management team from NR here in Hadley Wood on Thursday 22nd March. Whilst here they saw at first hand the disproportionate impact of the works that had already taken place. NR welcomed our cooperative approach and at the end of that meeting gave HWA and HWRUG a number of commitments. One of these has already been fulfilled – the removal of the rotary spikes installed on the cycle path and along the railway fence on Waggon Road.



Spikes on the National Cycle Path.....



.....being taken away

This is a promising start, but the campaign continues, and we need your support!

Please be our eyes and ears, and if you want more information or can help, contact:

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*We would like to thank Pauline Hazelwood for creating our Treegate logo
Pauline Hazelwood, an Associate Member of the Guild of Railway Artists, played a prominent part in HWRUG's event to celebrate the unveiling of a plaque to former resident Sir Nigel Gresley by Michael Portillo in October 2017.
To see Pauline's books for children go to www.saddletankbooks.com*

