

2016 ushers in gas mains revamp in Rotherham, Brinsworth and Treeton

Gas mains upgrade across Rotherham, Brinsworth and Treeton

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- **National Grid to renew some 20 kilometres of gas mains**
- **Project will keep gas flowing until the end of the century**

2016 is set to usher in decades of safe and reliable gas supplies for residents in Rotherham, Treeton and Brinsworth as National Grid launches a major nine-month revamp of the local gas mains.

The company is set to upgrade some 20 kilometres – around 12 miles - of gas pipes across the Moorgate area of Rotherham, together with Treeton and Brinsworth. The existing iron mains will be replaced with tough, long-lasting plastic pipes that will last for at least 80 years.

Engineers have already got cracking on the project, with work to renew older gas mains now under way in Hallam Road, Rotherham. In the New Year, gas mains replacement will start in Lymister Avenue and surrounding roads.

National Grid authorising engineer Paul Martin said: "This is a major undertaking for National Grid. We will be renewing swathes of the local gas network to ensure that local people continue to enjoy a safe and reliable gas supply for decades to come.

"Traffic management measures may be necessary in some roads to keep everyone safe. We will make every effort to minimise any disruption and complete this essential project as soon as possible."

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