

## Gas mains revamp for Barrow-upon-Humber

▪ National Grid renewing gas pipes in Barrow-upon-Humber ▪ Work will keep gas flowing for the rest of the century ▪ Road closure necessary in Lords Lane

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Spring may be here but Tuesday (5 April) will see the start of a gas mains upgrade that will keep homes and businesses in Barrow-upon-Humber warm and comfortable for decades of winters to come.

National Grid will be renewing over 300 metres of gas pipes in Lords Lane. The work is due to be finished by 1 May and will see the existing iron mains replaced with tough, long-lasting plastic pipes that will last for at least 80 years.

To carry out the work safely, Lords Lane will be closed to through traffic. Every effort will be made to allow vehicle access for residents and businesses.

The road closure will be split into two phases. During phase one, Lords Lane will be closed from the junction with Green Lane to Chapel Close. During phase two, Lords Lane will be closed from Chapel Close to Wolds Road.

A signed diversion route via Wolds Road, Green Lane and Thornton will be in place during the closures.

National Grid Authorising Engineer Paul Martin said: "This is essential work that will ensure that local people continue to enjoy a safe and reliable gas supply for decades to come.

"Because of the narrowness of Lords Lane a temporary road closure will be necessary. We're sorry for any inconvenience the work may cause.

"We will make every effort to minimise any disruption and complete the project as soon as possible. We really appreciate people's patience and co-operation."

The work is part of a project to upgrade nearly a kilometre of gas mains in Barrow-upon-Humber. Further work is due to take place in Cross Street in May. Details of this work will be available shortly.

Gas engineers may need access to homes and businesses to replace service pipes (the pipes that take gas from the main in the road to individual properties). This work will involve briefly interrupting the gas supply and anyone who is affected will be notified beforehand.

All National Grid engineers carry official identity cards, which people should ask to see before allowing them on their property.

For any enquiries about this work people should contact National Grid's customer services team on 0800 096 5678.

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