

# Gas mains upgrade in the pipeline for Derby

Gas upgrade to start on Monday 17 August

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- Work will secure local gas supplies for decades to come
- Road closure needed in Risley Lane

National Grid will be carrying out a vital gas mains upgrade in Risley Lane, Derby, in August and September.

The work starts on Monday 17 August and will help secure safe and reliable gas supplies to local residents and businesses for many years to come. The project is scheduled to take four weeks to complete.

Engineers will be renewing the iron gas mains in Risley Lane between number 10 to the Garden Centre. The existing iron mains will be replaced with tough, hardwearing plastic pipes that will last at least 80 years.

To carry out the work safely for all concerned Risley Lane will be temporarily closed from outside number 10 to the Garden Centre. A signed diversion route will be in place.

The Garden Centre will be open for business as usual.

National Grid Authorising Engineer Paul Patrick said: "We are sorry for any inconvenience this work may cause but it is vital that we replace ageing gas mains so that local residents and businesses can continue to enjoy safe and reliable gas supplies for many years to come.

"The project has been timed so that the bulk of the work coincides with the school summer holidays to reduce the impact on traffic."

If anyone has any queries or concerns they can contact National Grid customer services on 0800 096 5678.

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