

## Gas mains upgrade in the pipeline for Kirton-in-Lindsey

▪ Essential gas mains renewal for Kirton-in-Lindsey ▪ Work will keep gas flowing for the rest of the century ▪ Road closures necessary in Grove Street and Darwin Street

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Monday (4 April) will signal the start of a major gas mains upgrade in Kirton-in-Lindsey that will keep the gas flowing to local residents until the end of the century.

National Grid will be renewing 300 metres of gas pipes in Grove Street and Darwin Street. The existing iron mains will be replaced with larger, tough, durable plastic pipes that will help meet rising demand for gas in the village and last at least 80 years.

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

The road closures will be split into three phases. During phase one Grove Street will be closed from Darwin Street to Turner Street. Diversion routes will be in place via Turner Street, Darwin Street and Grove Street and also via Ings Road, Grove Street, Darwin Street, Torksey Street and Turner Street.

During phase two, Grove Street will be closed between Ings Road and Turner Street. A diversion route will be in place via Ings Road, Torksey Street and Turner Street.

Phases one and two are expected to take six weeks. The third phase of work is due to take place in Darwin Street and is expected to take three weeks.

While the work is under way, Darwin Street will need to be closed to through traffic. Wherever possible vehicle access will be maintained for residents and businesses.

While Darwin Street is closed, traffic will be diverted via Grove Street, Ings Road, Torksey Street and Turner Street.

Further work in Grove Street, between Turner Street and St Andrew's Street, is expected to take place later in May. Details of this work are currently being confirmed and more information will be available nearer the time

National Grid Authorising Engineer Paul Martin said: "This vital work will ensure that local people continue to benefit from safe and reliable gas supplies for many years into the future.

"We are sorry for any inconvenience the work may cause. Every effort will be made to reduce disruption and complete this essential project as soon as possible."

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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