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Hanover Street closed for gas mains work

A section of Hanover Street in Liverpool city centre is to be closed for a period of three weeks while the old metal main below the road surface is replaced with a new plastic pipe.

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Hanover Street to close for essential gas works

The second phase of a major project to renew the gas mains in Hanover Street, Liverpool is due to start next week.

Work will start on Monday, 14 September and is expected to take six weeks to complete. During the first three weeks Hanover Street will be closed to traffic in both directions between the junctions of Duke Street and Gradwell Street. Following this a one-way closure will be put in place for a further three weeks between Duke Street and Bold Street. Traffic travelling from Duke Street towards Bold Street will be diverted.

Stephen Murray, contract manager, National Grid said: "People across the city centre enjoy a safe and reliable gas supply and it is our job to make sure it stays that way.

"This is the second stretch of pipe we have renewed in Hanover Street. The first was completed earlier in the year. These new mains will last around 80 years so, while there will be some traffic delays in the short term, the long term benefit will be mains which will last for many decades and will need little or no maintenance. We have been working with Liverpool City Council to plan this work and have been in touch with traders in the area to give them notice of our project.

"If people want to know more about the second phase of our work and how it will affect them, they can get in touch with us on 0161 703 1000."

People can find updates on all National Grid's road works in their area at www.nationalgrid.com/inyourstreet.

National Grid is renewing around 430km of gas mains in the North West during this financial year. This is part of a £22 billion programme of investment in the company's energy networks in the UK and US over a five year period.

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