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Major pipe upgrade to keep gas flowing in Beeston, Nottingham

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- Temporary traffic lights in place to help traffic flow
- Work will secure local gas supplies for decades to come

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National Grid engineers are renewing one kilometre of gas mains in the A6005 Queen's Road West between the junction with Meadow Lane and the junction with Dovecote Lane. The six-week project will see the existing iron gas mains replaced with new, hard wearing plastic pipes, designed to last for at least 80 years.

Charlton Grove is the only other street affected by the project as work will be taking place at its junction with Queen's Road West. To help traffic flow there will be temporary traffic lights at various stages during the project. As a safety precaution the cycle lane will be closed at various stages.

National Grid Authorising Engineer Paul Patrick said: "We are sorry for any inconvenience this major project 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.

"It has been timed so that the project will coincide with the school summer holidays to reduce the impact on traffic. We greatly appreciate the co-operation and patience of the local community and motorists."

As part of the project it will be necessary to replace the service pipes that connect individual businesses and residential properties to the gas main. National Grid will contact all those who are affected to explain when this will take place and what is going to happen.

All businesses and shops will be open for business as usual.

Businesses affected by the work may be eligible for compensation for loss of business under the Gas Regulations 1996. Businesses can find out more by going to www.nationalgrid.com/uk/gas.

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

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Notes for editors

National Grid has two contracted organisations carrying out gas mains replacement work on its behalf. They are: tRIIO, a partnership between Skanska and Morrison Utility Services, in North London, East Anglia and the East of England and Balfour Beatty in the West Midlands and North West.

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