

National Grid completes essential work in High Street Kensington early

? Essential gas mains replacement work completed ahead of schedule

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- **Work will help ensure local community continues to enjoy safe and reliable gas supplies**
- **Engineers worked extended hours to complete job as soon as possible**

National Grid engineers have completed essential gas mains replacement work in High Street Kensington ahead of schedule.

The vital work began in late July and was finished over a week before its scheduled completion date of Sunday 2 November.

Ageing metallic gas mains have been replaced with tough new pipes which will help ensure the local community continues to enjoy safe and reliable gas supplies for decades to come.

Project Manager Pat Nathan said: "I'd like to thank the local community, road users and pedestrians for their patience during our work.

"We did all we could to complete the work promptly and with as little inconvenience as possible."

He explained: "To ensure things went smoothly we used special cameras to carry out underground surveys and also dug trial excavations to make sure we selected the best possible work route.

"We inserted the new pipes into the old mains which meant less digging and our engineers also worked seven days a week and extra hours when needed."

Local residents and businesses were kept informed about the work and special digital road signs provided users with up to date information.

National Grid also worked closely with the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea and the local Highways Authority to plan the project which was scheduled to fit in around other local work in the area.

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