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National Grid launches consultation on second phase of London Power Tunnels project

People across South London invited to have their say on National Grid's plans for phase 2 of its London Power Tunnels project

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National Grid will be holding a number of events across South London to inform members of the public about proposals for the second phase of its London Power Tunnels project.

London Power Tunnels phase 2 (LPT2) project follows the success of National Grid's original London Power Tunnels project (LPT1), a seven year £1 billion scheme to rewire the Capital.

A series of public information events will give the local community an opportunity to find out more about National Grid's plans to build a new network of cable tunnels, 30km in length, between New Cross and Wimbledon and Hurst and New Cross.

National Grid is also planning to build a tunnel between Hurst and Crayford. However, this part of the project is in early development and a public information event will be held in June to share further details.

Work to build the tunnels will start in summer 2019 and will take approximately eight years to complete. By placing the cables in deep underground tunnels, it will reduce major disruption to the London area.

Members of the public will be given the chance to ask the project team about the plans, and provide feedback on certain aspects of the proposals, before planning applications are submitted for headhouses at Kings Avenue, Kidbrooke and Eltham in summer 2018.

The events run from 9th April 2018 to 21st April 2018. An event for the site at New Cross is now planned for May and details for this will be publicised shortly.

The event details are:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Monday 9th April	2pm-8pm	Bexley Village Library Bourne Road, Bexley, DA5 1LU
Monday 16th April	2pm-8pm	Flintmill Community Hall Flintmill Crescent, London, SE3 8LU
Tuesday 17th April	2pm-8pm	Clapham Library Mary Seacole Centre, 91 Clapham High Street, London, SW4 7DB
Wednesday 18th April	2pm-8pm	Clapham Library Mary Seacole Centre, 91 Clapham High Street, London, SW4 7DB
Saturday 21st April	12pm-5pm	Bishop Ridley Church Hall The Green, Welling, DA16 2PG

Phil Clements, Project Development Manager said: *"The new cable tunnels are essential in order to replace existing electricity circuits which are coming towards the end of their useful life. They are part of National Grid's £750 million investment to ensure a continued safe and secure supply of electricity to the Capital. It is really important to us that the public can provide feedback on our proposals, and we hope that the community will come and meet us in order to learn more about this exciting project."*

The deadline for giving National Grid your views is **Friday 4th May 2018**.

Those unable to attend the events will be able to give their views online, in writing or over the telephone:

- Freephone helpline number: 0800 783 2855 (lines open 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)
- E-mail: nationalgrid@londonpowertunnels.co.uk
- LPT website: www.LondonPowerTunnels.co.uk
- National Grid on Twitter: [@NGLPT](https://twitter.com/NGLPT)

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- We own and operate the electricity transmission network in England and Wales, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. We also operate, but do not own, the Scottish networks. Our networks comprise approximately 7,200 kilometres (4,474 miles) of overhead line, 1,500 kilometres (932 miles) of underground cable and 342 substations.
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