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- · Essential work to replace ageing gas mains starts on Monday 3 October
- Fisher's Lane and Ramillies Road to be temporarily closed at junction of South Parade to enable work to take place
- · Work will help ensure local community keep on enjoying safe and reliable gas supplies for cooking and heating

Ageing gas mains will be replaced with tough new pipes in a project which to future-proof local gas mains.

The existing metallic gas mains in South Parade are now nearing the end of their life and will be replaced with tough new pipes. Work to connect the new mains to local properties will take place in Fisher's Lane.

The work will help ensure the local community keep on enjoying safe and reliable gas supplies for decades to come.

Work is due to start on Monday 3 October and is expected to take approximately four weeks to complete.

To enable the work to be completed safely and efficiently Fisher's Lane and Ramillies Road will be temporarily closed, with lane closures and parking bay suspensions on South Parade near the junctions with these roads.

A diversion and advanced warning signs will be in place to assist road users.

Project Engineer lan Smith said: "This essential work will help ensure that local people can keep on having safe and reliable gas supplies to heat their homes and cook a hot meal."

He added: "We'll do all we can to deliver then work with as little disruption as possible."

People are reminded that they should ask to see official identification from anyone trying to enter their property. All engineers working for National Grid carry official identity cards which should be inspected before allowing them in.

For more information and to verify the identity of an engineer people can call 0800 096 5678.

More information on gas mains replacement work can also be found at www.bettergaspipes.co.uk

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- We own and operate the gas National Transmission System in Great Britain, with day-to-day responsibility for balancing supply and demand. Our network comprises approximately 7,660 kilometres (4,760 miles) of high-pressure pipe and 618 above-ground installations.
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