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Future proofing: Gas main renewal project announced for Haringey

National Grid helps safeguard future safe and reliable energy supplies with essential new gas mains replacement project in Haringey.

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- Ageing gas mains near Highgate tube station to be replaced with tough new pipes
- Work due to start Monday August 24 and last for approximately 10 weeks
- Traffic management will include lane closures and diversions

National Grid will help safeguard future safe and reliable energy supplies in Haringey with an essential new gas mains replacement project.

The work, around the junction of Archway Road (A1), Southwood Lane and Muswell Hill Road near to Highgate underground station is due to start on Monday 24 August and will last for approximately ten weeks.

The existing ageing metal gas mains will be replaced with tough, new long-lasting pipes which should last for decades.

A temporary traffic management system with signed diversion will be put in place so the work can be carried out. Southwood Lane will be closed at the junction with Archway Road, one northbound lane of Archway Road will be closed. Northbound road users will also be unable to turn right into Muswell Hill Road from Archway Road. There will also be restricted access to some businesses in the area with the temporary suspension of a number parking bays.

National Grid will need access to some properties on Archway Road and the gas supply will also be temporarily switched off so work can be carried out. Affected properties will be informed. People are reminded they should ask to see official identification from anyone trying to gain access to their property.

Pat Nathan, Area Manager for National Grid, said: "This is a large and complex project taking place in a very busy area.

"We've carefully planned the work to make sure we deliver it with as little disruption as possible. We'll also be working longer than usual hours and some weekends so we can complete the work as soon as possible."

He added: "Our work will help make sure local people keep on enjoying safe and reliable gas supplies for cooking and heating."

For the latest on the work go to www.nationalgrid.com/inyourstreet

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