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National Grid is saying 'thank you' to Hanover Street businesses for their patience as the next phase of a major project to renew the gas mains under the road surface starts next week.

On Monday 5th October, the city-bound lane of Hanover Street between Duke Street and Gradwell Street reopens to traffic following a three week closure of both lanes. Local businesses will be open as usual and National Grid is working with them to make sure deliveries are maintained. There will be restrictions on motorists turning from Hanover Street into Gradwell Street.

Stephen Murray, contract manager, National Grid said: "We're really grateful for the patience people have shown our engineers during this work, particularly those working in local shops and restaurants. We've kept in close touch with them and have tried to make sure that their day-to-day business is affected as little as possible."

He added: "This is the second stretch of pipe to be renewed in Hanover Street and the new plastic mains we're installing to replace old metal pipes will last around 80 years."

"If people want to know more about the second phase of our work and how it will affect them, they can get in touch with us on 0161 703 1000."

People can find updates on all National Grid's road works in their area at www.nationalgrid.com/inyourstreet.

National Grid is renewing around 430km of gas mains in the North West during this financial year. This is part of a £22 billon programme of investment in the company's energy networks in the UK and US over a five year period.

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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.
- 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.
- As Great Britain's System Operator (SO) we make sure gas and electricity is transported safely and efficiently from where it is produced to where it is consumed. From April 2019, Electricity System Operator (ESO) is a new standalone business within National Grid, legally separate from all other parts of the National Grid Group. This will provide the right environment to deliver a balanced and impartial ESO that can realise real benefits for consumers as we transition to a more decentralised, decarbonised electricity system.
- Other UK activities mainly relate to businesses operating in competitive markets outside of our core regulated businesses; including interconnectors, gas metering activities and a liquefied natural gas (LNG) importation terminal – all of which are now part of National Grid Ventures. National Grid Property is responsible for the management, clean-up and disposal of surplus sites in the UK. Most of these are former gas works.

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