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Renewing Newham: Locals invited to get lowdown on essential power project

Essential work to help keep gas supplies flowing to local homes and businesses in Newham

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- Essential gas mains replacement work due to start in Green Street, Newham, from late July and last for a year
- Residents invited to find out more at information event to be held on Wednesday 13 July
- Work will help ensure local people keep on enjoying safe and reliable gas supplies for cooking and heating

National Grid is inviting people to find out more about a vital project to keep people on gas in Newham.

A drop in information event on the project – which involves replacing ageing gas mains with tough new pipes – is due to be held on Wednesday 13 July from 1pm to 8pm in Newham Library, 337-341 Green St, Newham E13 9AR.

It's planned to deliver the work in two sections as follows:

Green Street from junction with Romford Road to near junction with South Esk Road

This work is due to start in late July 2016 and is expected to take approximately three months to complete.

Green Street from junctions with Barking Road to King's Road and Green Street from junctions with South Esk Road to Plashet Road.

This work is due to start outside the former West Ham ground in late July 2016 and is expected to take approximately one year to complete. Work from Plashet Road to the Plashet Grove junction is planned to be done during late July 2017.

Temporary traffic lights will be used to ensure the work can be carried out safely and efficiently. Some parking bays and bus stops will also need to be temporarily suspended to enable work to be completed.

Every effort will be made to deliver the work with as little disruption as possible with work around busy junctions scheduled for school holiday periods – when roads are generally quieter – wherever possible. The new gas pipes will be inserted into the old gas mains wherever possible, which will further reduce congestion, by minimising the need for digging.

Notification letters will be sent to residents and businesses with advanced warning signs also going up.

Local shops and businesses will remain open as normal.

National Grid Area Manager Pat Nathan said: ““This essential project will help make sure the local community in Newham keep on enjoying safe and reliable gas supplies for cooking and heating.

“We’re planning the work in close discussion with the London Borough of Newham and others to make sure it’s delivered with as little disruption as possible.”

He added: “I’d encourage anyone who wants to know more about the project to come and meet us at the drop in event where we’ll be happy to answer questions about the project.”

All engineers working for National Grid carry official identification and people should ask to see this before letting them into their property. To confirm the identity of an engineer or for more information about the project call 0800 096 5678.

More information can also be found at www.bettergaspipes.co.uk

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