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- National Grid plans to build a new network of cable tunnels in South London between Wimbledon and Crayford
- Public information event taking place on Wednesday 18 July to share plans for works taking place at Crayford site

National Grid will be holding an information event for members of the public in the Crayford area to find out more about proposals for the second phase of its London Power Tunnels project.

The 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 have already taken place across South London about National Grid’s plans to build a new network of cable tunnels, 32.5 kilometres in length, between its sites at Wimbledon, New Cross, Hurst and Crayford.

The event in Crayford will give members of the public the opportunity to meet the project team and find out more about the works taking place.

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

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 **Wednesday 1st August**.

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
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