



The Great Grid Upgrade

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Hello and welcome to our fifth community e-newsletter and thank you for registering your interest in the Yorkshire GREEN project.

Yorkshire GREEN will upgrade and reinforce National Grid's high-voltage electricity network, allowing more green energy to get from where it's generated to where it's needed in Yorkshire and further afield.

Yorkshire GREEN is a key part of The Great Grid Upgrade – the largest overhaul of the electricity transmission network across England and Wales in generations.

This edition of the newsletter covers:

- an update on the project
- upcoming traffic management
- upcoming weekend working
- ways to get in touch.

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Update on our work

Over the last couple of months, our teams have been working across the route to deliver this important project.

In some locations, we are finishing off preparatory and enabling works, such as constructing access points, haul roads and construction compounds, particularly around Overton and Monk Fryston. We have been building working areas at Monk Fryston, Tadcaster and Overton in preparation for the first substation construction activities to get underway.

In other locations, we have begun main overhead line construction works including upgrading pylon foundations and erecting new pylons, particularly around Moor Monkton.

To enable our teams to carry out our works safely and efficiently, there will continue to be traffic management measures, such as lane and road closures, in place across parts of the route to access these sites.



Image caption: Crane in use at Moor Monkton to build a pylon.

Upcoming traffic management across the route

Marston Lane:

We need to construct an access point to the field we will be working within on Marston Lane, Hessay. These access points are known as 'bellmouths'.

To enable us to construct the bellmouth, we will need to temporarily close Marston Lane to vehicles and other road users, including pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders, near to the junction with the A59. We are expecting this closure to be in place for **two weeks** from **Monday 24 March** until **Sunday 6 April 2025**.

The road closure is expected to be in place from **7am to 7pm on weekdays**, and **8am to 5pm on weekends**.

Outside these hours, if safe to do so, the road closure will be removed, and all road users will be able to travel along the road as normal.



Image caption: Map showing the road closure on Marston Lane and the diversion route.

Westfield Lane:

We need to construct another bellmouth on Westfield Lane, South Milford. To enable us to construct the bellmouth, we will need to close Westfield Lane to vehicles and other road users, including pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders near the junction with Whin Lane for **two weeks** from **Monday 7 April to Tuesday 22 April 2025**.

The road closure is expected to be in place between **7am to 7pm on weekdays**. We do not anticipate needing to work over the weekend, but if we do, this would take place between 8am and 5pm. Outside these hours, if safe to do so, the road closure will be removed, and all road users will be able to travel along the road as normal.



Image caption: Map showing the road closure on Westfield Lane and the diversion route.

Overton and Shipton area:

In Overton and Shipton, work is progressing to construct a new substation at Overton, a new cable sealing end compound at Shipton, and new overhead line infrastructure.

The below information provides a timeline of the upcoming works in the Overton and Shipton area, between April and June 2025.

April 2025 - Road closure on Overton Road

We need to install new hedgerows, signage and carry out some survey works along Overton Road.

To enable this work to take place, Overton Road will be closed to vehicles and other road users, for one week from **Monday 7 April until Monday 14 April 2025**.

The road closure is expected to be in place between **7am to 7pm on weekdays**, and **8am to 5pm on weekends**. Outside these hours, if safe to do so, the road closure will be removed, and all road users will be able to travel along the road as normal.

A signed diversion route will be in place via Stripe Lane. For large vehicles which are unable to travel under the railway bridge on Stripe Lane, there will be a staffed gate at each end of the closure to allow access.

The National Cycle Network Route 65 diversion route between Overton Road and Station Lane will remain in place throughout the construction period. The alternative route has been constructed so that cyclists and pedestrians can avoid large construction vehicles along this stretch of road. Directional signage is in place to guide cyclists and pedestrians.

April - May 2025 - Lane closure and temporary traffic lights on A19, Shipton

We will be constructing a bellmouth to a field we will be working within off the A19 to enable our construction vehicles to access the site.

To enable us to construct the bellmouth, we will need to close a short section of the A19 in one direction, near Overton Road, during 'off peak' hours (**9:30am to 3pm each day**) from **Wednesday 23 April until Wednesday 7 May 2025**.

Temporary traffic lights will be in place to enable two-way traffic flow. Outside of these hours, if safe to do so, the lane closure and temporary traffic lights will be removed.



Image caption: Pylon erection in Moor Monkton.



Image caption: A 'crane pad' near Overton Road, this will support cranes and heavy load vehicles, preventing damage to the ground.

May 2025 - Road closure on Overton Road

Later in the year, we will need to construct another bellmouth on Overton Road. To enable us to carry out this work, we will need to close a short section of Overton Road from **Wednesday 14 May until Wednesday 28 May 2025**.

During this period, a signed diversion route will be in place via Stripe Lane. As with previous closures, staffed gates will be in place for large vehicles that cannot pass under the railway bridge.

May - June 2025 - Road closures on Stripe Lane

To enable us to undertake resurfacing works and construct a bellmouth, we will need to close Stripe Lane to vehicles and other road users, on two separate occasions in May.

Resurfacing work on Stripe Lane: we expect this work to take place from **Thursday 8 May until Wednesday 14 May**.

Bellmouth construction on Stripe Lane: we expect this work to take place from **Friday 30 May until Thursday 12 June**.

During both closures, a signed diversion route will be in place via Overton Road. For large vehicles unable to pass under the railway bridge on Stripe Lane, there will be a staffed gate at each end of the closure to allow access.



Image caption: Map showing the road closure on Overton Road and diversion route.

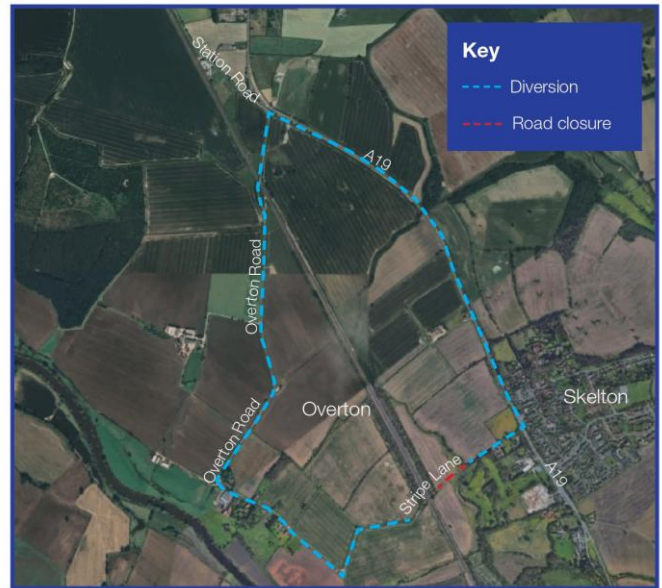


Image caption: Map showing the road closure on Stripe Lane and diversion route.

Lane closures and temporary traffic lights:

Across the Yorkshire GREEN route, we have some lane closures in place, which are accompanied by temporary traffic lights to maintain traffic flow. Across the next few weeks, our teams will have lane closures in the following locations:

B1217, Saxton – Friday 21 March until Sunday 6 April 2025

From **Friday 21 March until Sunday 6 April 2025**, there will be a lane closure in place on the B1217, near where Dam Lane meets the B1217.

This closure is required to enable works to upgrade pylon foundations.

The lane closure will be in place at all times, for the duration of the closure period. Temporary traffic lights will be in place to maintain two-way traffic flow.

A63, Monk Fryston – Friday 28 March until Monday 28 April 2025

To enable us to construct the bellmouths, we will need to close a short section of the A63 in one direction at a time, near Selby Fork Interchange, during 'off peak' hours from **9am to 3pm each day**.

We are expecting this closure to be in place from **Friday 28 March until Monday 28 April 2025**. Temporary traffic lights will be in place from 9am to 3pm each day to maintain two-way traffic flow. Outside of these hours, the lane closure and temporary traffic lights will be removed, if safe to do so.

The lane closure will begin on the northbound side (towards Monk Fryston) and will then swap to the southbound side (towards Selby Fork Interchange).

A59, Hessay - Tuesday 29 April until Tuesday 13 May 2025

To enable our teams to construct and widen the bellmouth to the field we will be working in off the A59, we need to close a short section of the A59 in the eastbound direction, near Marston Lane during 'off-peak' hours from **9am to 3pm each day**.

To ensure vehicle movement is maintained, two-way temporary traffic lights will be in place from 9am to 3pm each day. We are expecting this closure to be in place between **Tuesday 29 April until Tuesday 13 May 2025**.

To stay up-to-date with our traffic management across the route, please keep an eye on our 'Work on the ground' section of our website, where we regularly share current and upcoming traffic management.

[Work on the ground webpage](#)

Weekend working

Over the coming months, our teams will be undertaking some essential work on weekends to ensure that the project stays on track.

Starting from the weekend of 22 and 23 March 2025, our teams will be working on-site across the Yorkshire GREEN route every other weekend.

Work will be conducted in accordance with our Development Consent Order (DCO) requirements, including only working between 8am and 5pm on weekends.

In addition, no piling works, which include placing wood, steel or concrete into the ground, will take place on Sundays, with piling works restricted to between 9am to 2pm on Saturdays.

If you need to urgently get in touch with a member of the project team regarding the work taking place on the weekend, you can call our security team on 0203 488 7005. Yorkshire GREEN's dedicated Community Relations Team are available Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm to respond to any enquiries as usual.

There is a voicemail facility on the Community Relations Team's phonenumber, and we will respond to any voicemails or emails received over the course of the weekend as soon as possible on Monday from 9am.

Get in touch

If you can't find what you are looking for on our website or have any general questions or enquiries about the Yorkshire GREEN project, please don't hesitate to contact our dedicated Community Relations Team:

- Email: yorkshiregreen@nationalgrid.com
- Freephone: 0800 029 4359 (monitored Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm, with an answerphone facility outside of these hours)
- Write to: FREEPOST YORKSHIRE GREEN (no stamp needed)

Thank you for reading this e-newsletter. We will continue to share regular project updates, including the latest project news and works happening on the ground, via our regular e-newsletters.

The Yorkshire GREEN project's Community Relations Team



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