

Project News

Dinorwig to Pentir underground cable replacement project



Update on our progress



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In June we sent our last project update, sharing information about our work to replace the existing underground cables between Dinorwig Power Station and our substation at Pentir. Thank you again to everyone who met us at our open surgery in the summer.

Since then, we've continued to make progress to install cable ducting in the local area. We want to thank everyone for their patience.

In this newsletter you can find an update on the next phases of our work and our other activity in the community.

We hope you find this newsletter informative. If you have any questions about our work, please visit our project website for the latest timings. Alternatively, please contact us or come along to our next open surgery. Details about this event are on the next page.

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What's happening next

A second group of workers has restarted activity on the A4086 to create trenches for our new cables, now the busy summer holiday period has passed. These workers will continue to move towards the new roundabout. We are avoiding the roundabout itself however, so this is not dug up.

Our teams are also continuing work on the A4244, all working towards Pentir substation. We are now using only two groups of workers rather than three on this road, which we hope will be less disruptive. When our work is complete, we'll resurface the sections of the roads that we've dug up.

We will continue to use temporary traffic lights on the sections of roads we are working on in order to make the roadwork as safe as possible.

In previous updates we mentioned that we will need to temporarily close the top of the High Street in Llanberis, for approximately two weeks in Spring

2022. Because of difficult ground conditions, we've had to move this closure back and now anticipate this happening in early 2023. Advance notices of the closure will appear a week prior to the work starting. During the junction closure traffic and footpaths will be diverted and alternative routes will be clearly signposted.

We will also have to close the B4366 near Pentir substation early next year. We will update our project website when our plans for this closure have been confirmed.

We also started installing cable ducting under Afon y Bala, near the National Slate Museum this Summer. We are using a technique called Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) to go under the river to minimise the effects of our work on the local environment. We have now stopped this work but we'll resume after the New Year.

For the latest timings, please visit our project website.



November open surgery

We are holding our next open surgery at Llanberis Community Centre on 17 November 2022. The surgery will be open from 4pm to 7pm. This is an event where you can meet our team and ask us questions about our project in person.

To ensure everyone gets to meet a member of our team, we ask that you please register for a timeslot if you would like to attend. You can do this by calling us on 0330 1340066 or emailing nationalgrid@dinorwig.co.uk

Supporting communities

Due to the nature of our work, National Grid is at the heart of communities. We support local organisations and charities by awarding them community grants.

We fund all types of projects that provide social, economic or environmental benefits in areas where our work has an impact on local people.

We have already received applications for the community grant scheme. These include one from Bethel School, which we're really pleased to say will be receiving a grant for new equipment.

The scheme is still open for everyone. To find out more, and to learn about the application process and eligibility criteria, please visit: www.nationalgrid.com/responsibility/community/community-grant-programme

We have also partnered with Engineering Education Scheme Wales (EESW) in an exciting engineering challenge for a group of first-year sixth form students at Ysgol Friars School. This is part of our efforts to encourage pupils to consider a career in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). The project has just begun and will continue throughout the school year.



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