**January 2023**

**Northern Gas Networks are to carry out essential upgrade work/diversion work to maintain a safe and reliable gas supply in Baildon.**

Northern Gas Networks (NGN), the gas distributor for the North of England, is carrying out essential work to ensure the continued safe and reliable supply of gas to customers in the Baildon Area.

The ageing main has undergone several recent emergency repairs, so has now been prioritised for urgent replacement. The ageing metal pipework is now being replaced by new, more durable plastic pipes, to ensure a safe and reliable supply of gas to customers now, while getting the network ready to transport alternative greener fuels such as hydrogen in the future.

The works will commence on 23rd January 2023 and is expected to last for approximately 16 weeks. It has been planned in collaboration with Bradford Council.

So that engineers can carry out the work safely and efficiently, and to protect the public, some traffic management measures will be put in place.

There will be a road closure on Moorgate / Northgate for approximately 2 weeks, from 30th January 2023 to 17th February 2023. The road closure may be extended if difficulties in the mains configuration is identified once works start. Traffic will divert to The Grove, West Lane, Lucy Hall Drive, Glen Road, Bingley Road and then back on to Hawksworth Road. Signs will be displayed for motorists and a full signed diversion put in place.

VMS signs are in situ, providing motorists with advanced notification.

While majority of the work will be carried out in the street, engineers will need to access customer properties to complete the project and ensure the continued safe and reliable supply of gas.

Chris Green, Business Operations Lead for Northern Gas Networks, said: “We would like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused during these essential works. However, it is vital we complete them in order to continue to maintain a safe and reliable gas supply to the residents of Bradford.”

“We want to assure residents and road users that we will be working hard to complete this essential scheme as safely and as quickly as possible.”  

For further information about the work please contact NGN’s Customer Care Team on **0800 040 7766** or email: [**customercare@northerngas.co.uk**](mailto:customercare@northerngas.co.uk).

Anyone that smells gas or suspects carbon monoxide should call the National Gas Emergency Service immediately on **0800 111 999**. This line is in operation 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

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Since we started operating in 2005, we’ve been leading the way as one of the most cost-efficient of the UK’s eight gas distribution networks. We deliver great value for money to our customers, as well as a whole host of social and economic benefits to our region.

We’re recognised as a dynamic, passionate, conscious and people focused team that safely and reliably delivers gas to over 2.7 million homes and businesses across the North East, northern Cumbria and much of Yorkshire.

Although we don’t source the gas, fix boilers and appliances, or get involved with plumbing, we work with those that do to deliver it through a vast network of underground pipes that are constantly being invested in and upgraded.

It’s more complicated than it sounds so we’re always exploring cutting-edge thinking, revolutionary engineering practices and world-class science to find new ways to provide sustainable sources of energy.

And while our customers may not see us very often, they can sleep soundly knowing that we’re working around the clock to keep them connected and make sure they stay safe.

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