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## Gas mains revamp in the pipeline for Brigg

Spring may be on its way but work is set to start in Brigg that will keep local homes warm and cosy for decades to come.

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National Grid will be renewing 150 metres of gas mains in Market Place. Work starts on Sunday 1 March and is expected to take four weeks.

The existing iron gas mains will be replaced with tough, hardwearing plastic pipes that have a lifespan of at least 80 years. The project will maintain safe and reliable gas supplies for local homes and businesses.

Work will take place from Sundays to Wednesdays to avoid market days on Thursdays and Saturdays. On Wednesday nights the gas works will be closed down and will resume on Sundays.

Engineers are set to get a helping hand from new technology as they draft in a 'vacuum extractor to help speed up the work and avoid damaging underground cables and pipes. The machine acts like a giant vacuum cleaner, sucking up soil and other materials under the road surface and making it easier and quicker to carry out the excavation work needed for the gas main to be replaced.

National Grid Authorising Engineer Paul Martin said: "This is essential work that will ensure people in Brigg continue to enjoy safe and reliable gas supplies for many years to come. We have agreed our working days with the highways authority so that the market can continue as normal.

"We will do everything we can to complete the project as quickly as possible and to keep any disruption to a minimum."

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## Notes for editors

National Grid has two contracted organisations carrying out gas mains replacement work on its behalf. They are: tRIIO, a partnership between Skanska and Morrison Utility Services, in North London, East Anglia and the East of England and Balfour Beatty in the West Midlands and North West.

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