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Road closures ahead: Dungeness to Sellindge overhead line refurbishment continues

Work will help keep the lights on

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- First phase of power line refurbishment completed successfully
- Next phase of essential work to maintain safe and reliable energy supplies underway
- Temporary road closures will be implemented to ensure safety of public and workforce

National Grid is working on the second phase of work to refurbish the 15.5mile (25km) overhead line from Selindge to Dungeness.

Phase one of the project – to replace and upgrade the existing power line – has been successfully completed on schedule and the second phase of work is now underway.

To enable the work to be carried out safely and efficiently the following local road closures will be implemented:

Road closed	Date	Parish	Diversion route
Section of Knoll Hill/ B2067	22/09/2016 until	Aldington	Via Boat Lane, New Road Hill, Forge Hill, Roman Road and B2067 Knoll Hill
	16/10/2106		KNOLL HILL WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 7AM AND 6PM DAILY
	05/10/2016		
Frogmore Lane	until	Bonnington	Via B2067 Bonnington Road, Newchurch Road and unnamed roads to Newchurch and Frogmore Lane
	30/10/2016		
	05/10/2016		
Frostland Lane	until	Newchurch	Via Newchurch Lane and Norwood Lane
	30/10/2016		FROSTLAND LANE WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 7AM AND 6PM DAILY

Honey Wood Lane 05/10/2016 Newchurch Via unnamed roads to Newchurch and Frogmore Lane
until
30/10/2016

Throughout the work access will be maintained for residents and businesses and the work does should not result in any interruption to electricity supplies.

National Grid Project Manager Graham Livings said: "We need to close these roads to ensure our work can be done safely and efficiently.

"However we're mindful of the disruption road closures can cause and we're doing all we can to keep them to a minimum and will also lift the closures when we're not working."

He added: "By replacing and upgrading the overhead line we'll help ensure local people keep on enjoying safe and reliable electricity supplies."

The local community are being kept informed and local residents and businesses have been sent letters.

The project is due to be completed by the end of the year.

People can contact the project Community Relations Team on 0800 731 1231 or info@communityrelations.co.uk

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