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Dear resident,

Road closure for urgent gas main replacement Kings Road, Newbury

We're writing to let you know from Tuesday 1 August to Tuesday 5 December, SGN will begin an urgent programme of work to replace the leaking gas main along Kings Road. This work will involve replacing the old metal gas pipes with new plastic pipes to make sure we can continue to deliver a safe and efficient gas supply to the local area.

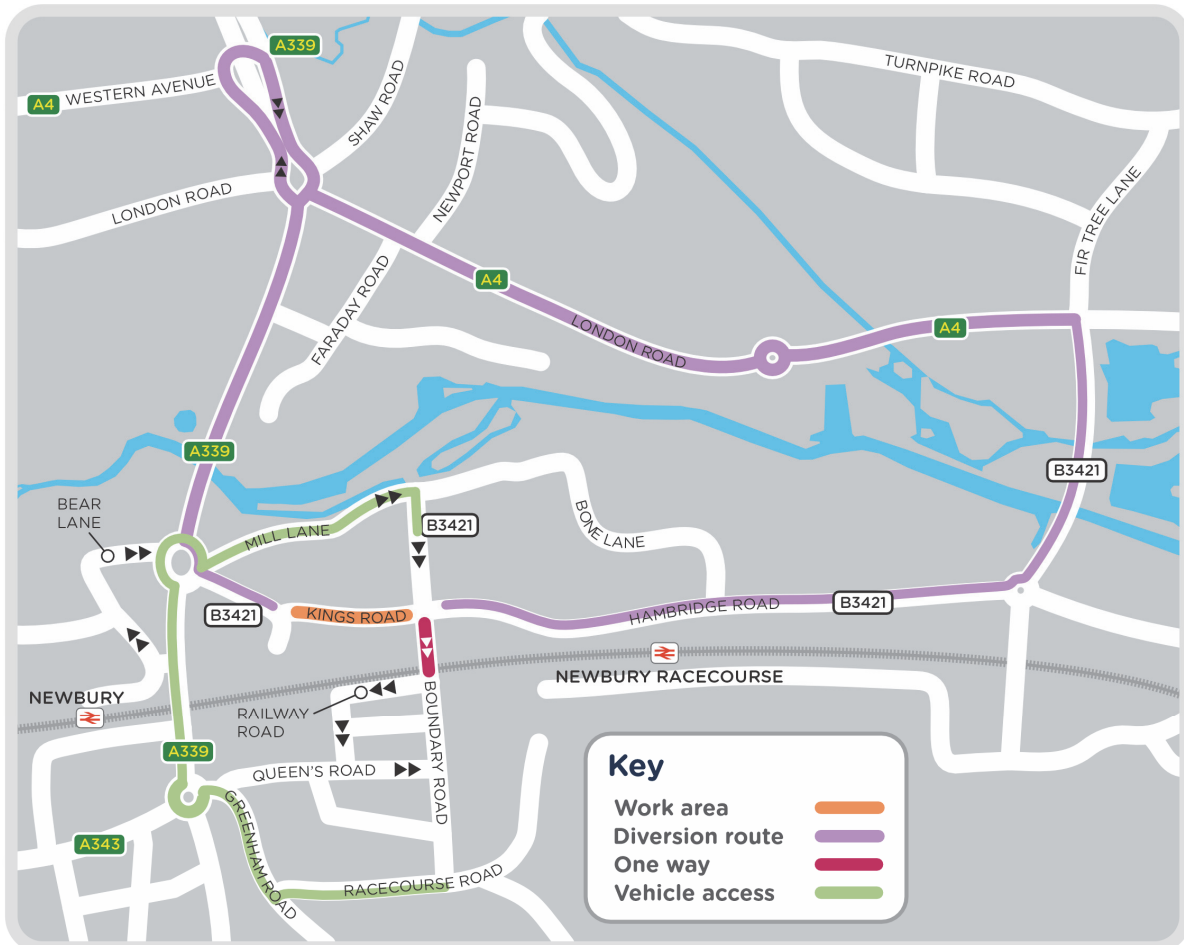
By replacing the gas pipes now, we'll significantly minimise the risk of future gas leaks on this section of road which have caused disruptive unplanned emergency work. We're also keen to support West Berkshire Council to plan these works in as soon as possible before the road is newly resurfaced.

The following outlines the phased programme of work and traffic management required. We are unable to give you dates for each phase as the duration will depend on each phase's progress. Local signs will keep road users updated.

Full details of our work can be found on the next page.

The map below shows our road closure and traffic calming measures.

Please note: Boundary Road will be made one way (southbound) between its junctions with Kings Road and Railway Road to allow free flowing traffic. Residents will still be able to access their properties travelling northbound within this section.



Phase one: road closure required

Kings Road – closed between junctions of Boundary Road and Hectors Way

Due to the location of the gas main in the road and for everyone's safety, we need to temporarily close Kings Road to vehicles from the junction of Boundary Road to the junction of Hectors Way. Access to Sainsburys will be unaffected.

Vehicle access to properties, side roads and businesses will be maintained via a diversion route. The local team will keep residents informed and local signage will advise road users of access arrangements, which will change as work progresses.

To allow two-way vehicle access along Kings Road, all on street parking along Kings Road will be suspended for the duration of the work.

One way traffic – Boundary Road

We know how disruptive previous road closures have been for the community. To help support the flow of traffic, we'll also be putting in place traffic calming measures.

Boundary Road will become one-way only and vehicle access to Mill Lane and Boundary Road will be via the A339 roundabout junction to Mill Lane.

Bus routes may be impacted – bus passengers should speak to their bus provider for more information about changes to bus routes, timetables and bus stop locations.

Phase two

Kings Road – from the junction of main roundabout on A339 to junction of Hectors Way

The diversion routes in place for phase one will now be lifted.

Our engineers will be working along this section of Kings Road within the parking bay area. This will mean some on street parking bays will be suspended. It is unlikely this phase will impact local road users.

We appreciate the nature of our work can be disruptive and our engineers will be doing all they can to minimise this where possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

If you'd like to get in touch with SGN about these works, you can speak to our Customer Service team on 0800 912 1700 who will direct your enquiry to a member of the project team for a response.

Yours faithfully

Bob Taylor
Project Manager